

115TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION

H. R. 2763

To amend the Small Business Act to improve the Small Business Innovation Research program and Small Business Technology Transfer program, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

MAY 30, 2017

Mr. KNIGHT (for himself and Mrs. MURPHY of Florida) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Small Business, and in addition to the Committee on Science, Space, and Technology, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned

A BILL

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1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “Small Business Inno-
5 vation Research and Small Business Technology Transfer
6 Improvements Act of 2017”.

1 **SEC. 2. REPORTING REQUIREMENTS.**

2 (a) ANNUAL REPORT TO CONGRESS.—Section
3 9(b)(7) of the Small Business Act (15 U.S.C. 638(b)(7))
4 is amended by striking “to report not less than annually”
5 and inserting “to submit a report not later than December
6 31 of each year”.

7 (b) ANNUAL REPORT TO SBA AND THE OFFICE OF
8 SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY POLICY.—Section 9(g)(9) of
9 the Small Business Act (15 U.S.C. 638(g)(9)) is amended
10 by striking “make an annual report” and inserting “not
11 later than March 30 of each year, submit a report”.

12 **SEC. 3. REQUIRING INSERTION INCENTIVES.**

13 Section 9(y)(5) of the Small Business Act (15 U.S.C.
14 638(y)(5)) is amended by striking “is authorized to” and
15 inserting “shall”.

16 **SEC. 4. SBIR PHASE FLEXIBILITY.**

17 Section 9(cc) of the Small Business Act (15 U.S.C.
18 638(cc)) is amended by striking “During fiscal years” and
19 all that follows through “may each provide” and inserting
20 “During fiscal years 2018 through 2022, all agencies par-
21 ticipating in the SBIR program may provide”.

22 **SEC. 5. ESTABLISHING THE CIVILIAN AGENCY COMMER-**
23 **CIALIZATION READINESS PROGRAM.**

24 Section 9(gg) of the Small Business Act (15 U.S.C.
25 638(gg)) is amended—

1 (1) by amending the subsection heading to read
2 as follows: “CIVILIAN AGENCY COMMERCIALIZATION
3 READINESS PROGRAM”;

4 (2) in paragraph (1), by inserting “to establish
5 a Civilian Agency Commercialization Readiness Pro-
6 gram for civilian agencies” after “the covered Fed-
7 eral agency”;

8 (3) in paragraph (2)(A)—

9 (A) by striking “establish a pilot program”
10 and inserting “establish a Civilian Agency Com-
11 mercialization Readiness Program under this
12 subsection”; and

13 (B) by striking “the pilot program” and
14 inserting “such Civilian Agency Commercializa-
15 tion Readiness Program”;

16 (4) in paragraphs (3) and (4), by striking “a
17 pilot program” each place such term appears and in-
18 serting “a Civilian Commercialization Readiness
19 Program”;

20 (5) in paragraph (6), by striking “the pilot pro-
21 gram” and inserting “a Civilian Agency Commer-
22 cialization Readiness Program”;

23 (6) by striking paragraph (7) and redesignating
24 paragraph (8) as paragraph (7); and

1 (7) in paragraph (7) (as so redesignated), by
2 amending subparagraph (B) to read as follows:

3 “(B) the term ‘Civilian Agency Commer-
4 cialization Readiness Program’ means each pro-
5 gram established under paragraph (1).”.

6 **SEC. 6. EXTENSION OF DEADLINE FOR ASSISTANCE FOR**
7 **ADMINISTRATIVE, OVERSIGHT, AND CON-**
8 **TRACT PROCESSING COSTS.**

9 Section 9(mm)(1) of the Small Business Act (15
10 U.S.C. 638(mm)(1)) is amended by striking “September
11 30, 2017” and inserting “September 30, 2022”.

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