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H. R. 8014

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

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Received; read twice and referred to the Committee on Small Business and
Entrepreneurship

AN ACT

To require the Administrator of the Small Business Adminis-
tration to issue rules for cancelled covered solicitations,
to amend the Small Business Act to provide assistance
to small business concerns relating to certain cancelled
solicitations, and for other purposes.

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

1 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

2 This Act may be cited as the “Transparency and Pre-
3 dictability in Small Business Opportunities Act”.

4 **SEC. 2. SMALL BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION RULES FOR**
5 **CANCELLED COVERED SOLICITATIONS.**

6 (a) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 180 days after the
7 date of the enactment of this Act, the Administrator of
8 the Small Business Administration shall issue rules to
9 carry out the following actions:

10 (1) Disclose information about a covered solici-
11 tation that was issued and cancelled that includes
12 the following:

13 (A) A justification for the cancellation of
14 such covered solicitation.

15 (B) Available information about any plans
16 to reissue such covered solicitation and any as-
17 sociated timeframes for such reissuance.

18 (C) Available information about any plans
19 to include the requirements such covered solici-
20 tation in another contract or task order of the
21 Federal agency.

22 (2) With respect to a cancelled covered solici-
23 tation which the Federal agency does not intend to re-
24 issue, procedures for the referral of a small business
25 concern that prepared a bid for such covered solici-
26 tation to the Director of Small and Disadvantaged

1 Business Utilization (as defined in section 15(k) of
2 the Small Business Act (15 U.S.C. 644(k))) of the
3 Federal agency for assistance in identifying similar
4 contracting opportunities.

5 (b) PUBLICATION.—The information required under
6 subsection (a) shall be made publicly accessible on the sin-
7 gle governmentwide point of entry described under section
8 1708 of title 41, United States Code.

9 (c) COVERED SOLICITATION DEFINED.—The term
10 “covered solicitation” means a solicitation of a Federal
11 agency for a procurement for which two or more small
12 business concerns were eligible to submit a bid.

13 **SEC. 3. DUTIES FOR DIRECTORS OF OFFICES OF SMALL**
14 **AND DISADVANTAGED BUSINESS UTILIZA-**
15 **TION RELATING TO CERTAIN CANCELLED SO-**
16 **LICITATIONS.**

17 Section 15(k) of the Small Business Act (15 U.S.C.
18 644(k)) is amended—

19 (1) in paragraph (21), by striking the period at
20 the end and inserting “; and”; and

21 (2) by adding at the end the following new
22 paragraph:

23 “(22) shall, when notified by a small business
24 concern that a Federal agency cancelled a solicita-
25 tion for which such concern prepared a bid and such

1 Federal agency does not intend to reissue, assist
2 such concern with identifying similar contracting op-
3 portunities.”.

4 **SEC. 4. COMPLIANCE WITH CUTGO.**

5 No additional amounts are authorized to be appro-
6 priated to carry out this Act or the amendments made
7 by this Act.

Passed the House of Representatives June 11, 2024.

Attest: KEVIN F. MCCUMBER,
Clerk.