

119TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION

H. R. 2804

To amend the Small Business Act to codify the Rule of Two, and for
other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

APRIL 9, 2025

Ms. VELÁZQUEZ introduced the following bill; which was referred to the
Committee on Small Business

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 “Protecting Small Busi-
5 ness Competitions Act of 2025”.

6 **SEC. 2. CODIFICATION OF THE RULE OF TWO.**

7 Section 15(j) of the Small Business Act (15 U.S.C.
8 644(j)) is amended by adding at the end the following new
9 paragraph:

1 “(4) RULE OF TWO.—Each contract, task
2 order, or delivery order for the purchase of goods or
3 services that has an anticipated value greater than
4 the simplified acquisition threshold shall be reserved
5 for small business concerns when the contracting of-
6 ficer reasonably expects—

7 “(A) to obtain offers from two or more re-
8 sponsible small business concerns; and

9 “(B) to award such contract, task order,
10 or delivery order at a fair market price.”.

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