

Union Calendar No. 249

117TH CONGRESS
2^D SESSION

H. R. 7670

[Report No. 117-331]

To amend the Small Business Act to require a report on small business concerns owned and controlled by women, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

MAY 6, 2022

Ms. HOULAHAN (for herself and Ms. TENNEY) introduced the following bill;
which was referred to the Committee on Small Business

MAY 17, 2022

Reported from the Committee on Small Business; committed to the Committee
of the Whole House on the State of the Union and ordered to be printed

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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 “Women-Owned Small
5 Business Program Transparency Act” or the “WOSB
6 Program Transparency Act”.

7 **SEC. 2. REPORT ON SMALL BUSINESS CONCERNS OWNED**
8 **AND CONTROLLED BY WOMEN.**

9 (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 8(m) of the Small Busi-
10 ness Act (15 U.S.C. 637(m)) is amended by adding at the
11 end the following new paragraph:

12 “(9) REPORT.—Not later than May 1, 2023,
13 and annually thereafter, the Administrator shall sub-
14 mit to the Committee on Small Business of the
15 House of Representatives and the Committee on
16 Small Business and Entrepreneurship of the Senate
17 a report on small business concerns owned and con-
18 trolled by women. Such report shall include, for the
19 fiscal year preceding the date of the report, the fol-
20 lowing:

21 “(A) The total number of concerns cer-
22 tified as small business concerns owned and
23 controlled by women, disaggregated by the
24 number of concerns certified by—

25 “(i) the Administrator; or

1 “(ii) a national certifying entity ap-
2 proved by the Administrator.

3 “(B) The amount of fees, if any, charged
4 by each national certifying entity for such cer-
5 tification.

6 “(C) The total dollar amount and total
7 percentage of prime contracts awarded to small
8 business concerns owned and controlled by
9 women pursuant to paragraph (2) or pursuant
10 to a waiver granted under paragraph (3).

11 “(D) The total dollar amount and total
12 percentage of prime contracts awarded to small
13 business concerns owned and controlled by
14 women pursuant to paragraphs (7) and (8).

15 “(E) With respect to a contract incorrectly
16 awarded pursuant to this subsection because it
17 was awarded based on an industry in which
18 small business concerns owned and controlled
19 by women are not underrepresented—

20 “(i) the number of such contracts;

21 “(ii) the Federal agencies that issued
22 such contracts; and

23 “(iii) any steps taken by Adminis-
24 trator to train the personnel of such Fed-

1 eral agency on the use of the authority
2 provided under this subsection.

3 “(F) With respect to an examination de-
4 scribed in paragraph (5)(B)—

5 “(i) the number of examinations due
6 because of recertification requirements and
7 the actual number of such examinations
8 conducted; and

9 “(ii) the number of examinations con-
10 ducted for any other reason.

11 “(G) The number of small business con-
12 cerns owned and controlled by women that were
13 found to be ineligible to be awarded a contract
14 under this subsection as a result of an examina-
15 tion conducted pursuant to paragraph (5)(B) or
16 failure to request an examination pursuant to
17 section 127.400 of title 13, Code of Federal
18 Regulations (or a successor rule).

19 “(H) The number of small business con-
20 cerns owned and controlled by women that were
21 decertified.

22 “(I) Any other information the Adminis-
23 trator determines necessary.”.

1 (b) **TECHNICAL AMENDMENT.**—Section 8(m)(2)(C)
2 of the Small Business Act is amended by striking “para-
3 graph (3)” and inserting “paragraph (4)”.

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