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H. R. 3851

To amend section 9 of the Small Business Act to extend and expand the phase flexibility authority, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. OLSZEWSKI 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 “SBIR/STTR Pilot Ex-
5 tension Act”.

1 **SEC. 2. EXTEND AND EXPAND THE DIRECT TO PHASE II AU-**
2 **THORITY.**

3 Section 9 of the Small Business Act (15 U.S.C. 638)
4 is amended—

5 (1) by designating the text of subsection (cc) as
6 paragraph (1); and

7 (2) in subsection (cc)—

8 (A) by striking “2012 through 2025” and
9 inserting “2012 through 2030”;

10 (B) by striking “the National Institutes of
11 Health, the Department of Defense, and the
12 Department of Education may each” and in-
13 serting “each Federal agency required to carry
14 out an SBIR program may”; and

15 (C) by adding at the end the following new
16 paragraphs:

17 “(2) **LIMITATION.**—The total value of awards
18 provided by a Federal agency under this subsection
19 in a fiscal year shall be—

20 “(A) except as provided in subparagraph
21 (B), not more than 10 percent of the total
22 funds allocated to the SBIR program of the
23 Federal agency during that fiscal year; and

24 “(B) with respect to the National Insti-
25 tutes of Health, not more than 15 percent of
26 the total funds allocated to the SBIR program

1 of the National Institutes of Health during that
2 fiscal year.

3 “(3) REPORT.—Each head of a Federal agency
4 that exercises the authority under this subsection
5 shall include in the next report submitted by such
6 Federal agency under (g)(9) following such exercise
7 the number and amount of awards provided under
8 this subsection by such Federal agency in the period
9 covered by such report.”.

10 **SEC. 3. EXTEND COMMERCIALIZATION READINESS PRO-**
11 **GRAM FOR CIVILIAN AGENCIES.**

12 Section 9(gg) of the Small Business Act (15 U.S.C.
13 638(gg)) is amended—

14 (1) in the heading, by striking “PILOT” and in-
15 serting “CIVILIAN AGENCIES COMMERCIALIZATION
16 READINESS”;

17 (2) by striking “pilot program” each place it
18 appears and inserting “covered program”; and

19 (3) by striking “fiscal year 2025” and inserting
20 “fiscal year 2030”.

21 **SEC. 4. EXTENSION OF CERTAIN SBIR AND STTR PILOT**
22 **PROGRAMS.**

23 (a) PHASE 0 PROOF OF CONCEPT PARTNERSHIP
24 PROGRAM.—Section 9(jj)(7) of the Small Business Act
25 (15 U.S.C. 638(jj)(7)) is amended by striking “at the end

1 of fiscal year 2025” and inserting “on September 30,
2 2030”.

3 (b) COMMERCIALIZATION ASSISTANCE PILOT PRO-
4 GRAMS.—Section 9(uu)(3) of the Small Business Act (15
5 U.S.C. 638(uu)(3)) is amended by striking “September
6 30, 2025” and inserting “September 30, 2030”.

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