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[Report No. 119–680]

To amend the Small Business Act to require a report on small business concern participation in a covered contracting programs, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

MAY 19, 2026

Mr. OLSZEWSKI (for himself and Mr. WIED) introduced the following bill;
which was referred to the Committee on Small Business

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and ordered to be printed

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 “Oversight and Trans-
5 parency for Small Business Certifications Act of 2026”.

6 **SEC. 2. REPORT ON SMALL BUSINESS CONCERN PARTICI-**
7 **PATION IN A COVERED CONTRACTING PRO-**
8 **GRAMS.**

9 Section 10(c) of the Small Business Act (15 U.S.C.
10 639(c)) is amended to read as follows:

11 “(c) CERTIFICATION REPORTS.—

12 “(1) IN GENERAL.—Along with the submission
13 to Congress of the budget of the President for each
14 fiscal year pursuant to section 1105(a) of title 31,
15 United States Code, the Administrator shall submit
16 a report on small business concern participation in
17 a covered contracting program during the year cov-
18 ered by the report that includes the following:

19 “(A) The total number of unique small
20 business concerns certified for participation in a
21 covered contracting program.

22 “(B) With respect to applications of small
23 business concerns for participation in a covered
24 contracting program—

1 “(i) the total number of applications
2 for participation that have sufficient infor-
3 mation for the Administrator to issue a
4 certification determination, disaggregated
5 by—

6 “(I) the number of applications
7 certified for each covered contracting
8 program; and

9 “(II) the number of applications
10 for which a determination has not
11 been made for any covered contracting
12 program;

13 “(ii) the number of applications for
14 certification for two or more covered con-
15 tracting programs and the percentage of
16 total applicants that received two or more
17 certifications;

18 “(iii) the number of applications re-
19 ceived through the single, unified platform
20 established by the Administrator for re-
21 ceipt of certification applications; and

22 “(iv) the number of small business
23 concerns certified for participation in a
24 covered contracting program for which
25 such certification documentation is contain

1 in a system other than the platform de-
2 scribed in clause (iii), disaggregated by
3 covered contracting program.

4 “(C) With respect to applications of small
5 business concerns for certification as a small
6 business concern owned and controlled by serv-
7 ice-disabled veterans that have sufficient infor-
8 mation for the Administrator to issue a certifi-
9 cation determination—

10 “(i) the number of applications cer-
11 tified;

12 “(ii) the number of applications de-
13 nied; and

14 “(iii) the number of applications for
15 which a determination has not been made.

16 “(D) With respect to each application of a
17 small business concern for certification as a
18 small business concern owned and controlled by
19 service-disabled veterans, the timeframe be-
20 tween the date of submission of a completed ap-
21 plication and the issuance of a certification or
22 recertification determination, disaggregated
23 by—

24 “(i) the number, expressed as a per-
25 centage, of certification determinations

1 made within the timeframe established by
2 the Administration;

3 “(ii) the average time for a first-time
4 applicant to receive a certification deter-
5 mination; and

6 “(iii) the average time for an appli-
7 cant that is a small business concern
8 owned and controlled by service-disabled
9 veterans to receive a recertification deter-
10 mination.

11 “(E) With respect to applications of small
12 business concerns for certification as a small
13 business concern owned and controlled by
14 women that have sufficient information for the
15 Administrator to issue a certification deter-
16 mination—

17 “(i) the number of applications cer-
18 tified;

19 “(ii) of the applications described in
20 clause (i), the number certified that are eli-
21 gible for award of a sole source contract
22 under section 8(m)(7);

23 “(iii) the number of applications cer-
24 tified that were processed by a national

1 certifying entity described in section
2 8(m)(2)(E);

3 “(iv) the number of applications de-
4 nied; and

5 “(v) the number of applications for
6 which a determination has not been made.

7 “(F) Of the applications described in sub-
8 paragraph (E)(ii), the number of such applica-
9 tions that initially did not include sufficient in-
10 formation for the Administrator to issue a cer-
11 tification determination.

12 “(G) With respect to each application of a
13 small business concern for certification as a
14 small business concern owned and controlled by
15 women, the timeframe between the date of sub-
16 mission of a completed application and the
17 issuance of a certification or recertification de-
18 termination, disaggregated by—

19 “(i) the number, expressed as a per-
20 centage, of certification determinations
21 made within the timeframe established by
22 the Administration;

23 “(ii) the average time for a first-time
24 applicant to receive a certification deter-
25 mination;

1 “(iii) the average time for an appli-
2 cant that is a small business concern
3 owned and controlled by women to receive
4 a recertification determination; and

5 “(iv) the average time for an appli-
6 cant certified by a national certifying enti-
7 ty to receive a determination from the Ad-
8 ministrator, disaggregated by initial certifi-
9 cation applications and recertification ap-
10 plications.

11 “(H) With respect to applications of small
12 business concerns for certification as a qualified
13 HUBZone small business concern that have
14 sufficient information for the Administrator to
15 issue a certification determination—

16 “(i) the number of applications cer-
17 tified;

18 “(ii) the number of applications de-
19 nied; and

20 “(iii) the number of applications for
21 which a determination has not been made.

22 “(I) With respect to each application of a
23 small business concern for certification as a
24 qualified HUBZone small business concern, the
25 timeframe between the date of submission of a

1 completed application and the issuance of a cer-
2 tification or recertification determination,
3 disaggregated by—

4 “(i) the number, expressed as a per-
5 centage, of certification determinations
6 made within the timeframe established by
7 the Administration;

8 “(ii) the average time for a first-time
9 applicant to receive a certification deter-
10 mination; and

11 “(iii) the average time for an appli-
12 cant that is a qualified HUBZone small
13 business concern to receive a recertification
14 determination.

15 “(2) COVERED CONTRACTING PROGRAM DE-
16 FINED.—In this subsection, the term ‘covered con-
17 tracting program’ means contracting assistance pro-
18 vided by the Administrator under following:

19 “(A) Section 8(a).

20 “(B) Section 8(m).

21 “(C) Section 31.

22 “(D) Section 36.”.

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