

119TH CONGRESS
2D SESSION

S. 3896

To amend title 38, United States Code, to modify the Department of Veterans Affairs procurement hierarchy of small business preferences, and for other purposes.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

FEBRUARY 24, 2026

Mrs. BLACKBURN introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs

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 “Veterans Affairs Op-
5 portunity for Small Businesses Act of 2026”.

1 **SEC. 2. MODIFICATION OF DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AF-**
2 **FAIRS PROCUREMENT HIERARCHY OF SMALL**
3 **BUSINESS PREFERENCES.**

4 Section 8127(h) of title 38, United States Code, is
5 amended—

6 (1) by striking paragraph (3);

7 (2) by redesignating paragraph (4) as para-
8 graph (3); and

9 (3) in paragraph (3), as redesignated by para-
10 graph (2), by inserting “established under the Small
11 Business Act (15 U.S.C. 631 et seq.)” before the pe-
12 riod at the end.

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