

Calendar No. 222

114TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION

S. 1400

To amend the Small Business Act to direct the task force of the Office of Veterans Business Development to provide access to and manage the distribution of excess or surplus property to veteran-owned small businesses.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

MAY 20, 2015

Mr. DURBIN (for himself and Mr. VITTER) introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship

SEPTEMBER 15, 2015

Reported by Mr. VITTER, with an amendment

[Strike out all after the enacting clause and insert the part printed in *italic*]

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,*

1 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

2 This Act may be cited as the “Veterans Small Busi-
3 ness Enhancement Act of 2015”.

4 **SEC. 2. ACCESS TO EXCESS OR SURPLUS PROPERTY FOR**
5 **VETERAN-OWNED SMALL BUSINESSES.**

6 Section 32(c)(3)(B) of the Small Business Act (15
7 U.S.C. 657b(c)(3)(B)) is amended—

8 (1) in clause (v), by striking “; and” and insert-
9 ing a semicolon;

10 (2) in clause (vi), by striking the period at the
11 end and inserting “; and”; and

12 (3) by adding at the end the following new
13 clause:

14 “(vii) providing access to and man-
15 aging the distribution of excess or surplus
16 property owned by the United States to
17 small business concerns owned and con-
18 trolled by veterans, pursuant to a memo-
19 randum of understanding between the task
20 force and the head of the applicable state
21 agency (as defined in section 549 of title
22 40, United States Code).”.

23 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

24 This Act may be cited as the “Veterans Small Business
25 Enhancement Act of 2015”.

1 **SEC. 2. ACCESS TO SURPLUS PROPERTY FOR VETERAN-**
 2 **OWNED SMALL BUSINESSES.**

3 *Section 32 of the Small Business Act (15 U.S.C. 657b)*
 4 *is amended by adding at the end the following:*

5 “(g) *ACCESS TO SURPLUS PROPERTY FOR VETERAN-*
 6 *OWNED SMALL BUSINESSES.—The Administrator, in co-*
 7 *ordination with the Administrator of General Services,*
 8 *shall provide access to and manage the distribution of sur-*
 9 *plus property, including foreign excess personal property*
 10 *returned to a State for handling as surplus property, owned*
 11 *by the United States to small business concerns owned and*
 12 *controlled by veterans pursuant to a memorandum of un-*
 13 *derstanding between the Administrator and the head of the*
 14 *applicable state agency (as defined in section 549 of title*
 15 *40, United States Code) for surplus properties.”.*

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