

**AMENDMENT TO RULES COMMITTEE PRINT 115-**

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**OFFERED BY MS. CLARKE OF NEW YORK**

Page 381, after line 9, insert the following:

1 **SEC. 861. UNITED STATES VIRGIN ISLANDS SMALL BUSI-**  
2 **NESS CONTRACTING ASSISTANCE.**

3 (a) **SHORT TITLE.**—This section may be cited as the  
4 “United States Virgin Islands Small Business Contracting  
5 Assistance Act of 2018”.

6 (b) **DEFINITION OF UNITED STATES VIRGIN IS-**  
7 **LANDS BUSINESS.**—Section 3 of the Small Business Act  
8 (15 U.S.C. 632) is amended by adding at the end the fol-  
9 lowing new subsection:

10 “(ee) **UNITED STATES VIRGIN ISLANDS BUSINESS.**—  
11 In this Act, the term ‘United States Virgin Islands busi-  
12 ness’ means a small business concern that has its principal  
13 office located in the United States Virgin Islands.”.

14 (c) **SMALL BUSINESS CREDIT FOR UNITED STATES**  
15 **VIRGIN ISLANDS BUSINESSES.**—Section 15 of the Small  
16 Business Act (15 U.S.C. 644) is amended by adding at  
17 the end the following new subsection:

18 “(w) **SMALL BUSINESS CREDIT FOR UNITED STATES**  
19 **VIRGIN ISLANDS BUSINESSES.**—

1           “(1) CREDIT FOR MEETING CONTRACTING  
2 GOALS.—If an agency awards a prime contract to  
3 United States Virgin Islands business during the pe-  
4 riod beginning on the date of enactment of this sub-  
5 section and ending on the date that is 4 years after  
6 such date of enactment, the value of the contract  
7 shall be doubled for purposes of determining compli-  
8 ance with the goals for procurement contracts under  
9 subsection (g)(1)(A)(i) during such period.

10           “(2) REPORT.—Along with the report required  
11 under subsection (h)(1), the head of each Federal  
12 agency shall submit to the Administrator, and make  
13 publicly available on the scorecard described in sec-  
14 tion 868(b) of the National Defense Authorization  
15 Act for Fiscal Year 2016 (15 U.S.C. 644 note), an  
16 analysis of the number and dollar amount of prime  
17 contracts awarded pursuant to paragraph (1) for  
18 each fiscal year of the period described in such para-  
19 graph.”.

20           (d) PRIORITY FOR SURPLUS PROPERTY TRANS-  
21 FERS.—Section 7(j)(13)(F) of the Small Business Act (15  
22 U.S.C. 636(j)(13)(F)) is amended by adding at the end  
23 the following new clause:

24           “(iii)(I) In this clause, the term ‘covered period’  
25 means the period beginning on the date of enact-

1       ment of this clause and ending on the date that is  
2       3 years after such date of enactment.

3           “(II) The Administrator may transfer tech-  
4       nology or surplus property under clause (i) to a  
5       United States Virgin Islands business during the  
6       covered period if the such business meets the re-  
7       quirements for such a transfer, without regard to  
8       whether such business is a Program Participant.”.

9       (e) CONTRACTING INCENTIVES FOR PROTEGE FIRMS  
10      THAT ARE UNITED STATES VIRGIN ISLANDS BUSI-  
11      NESSES.—

12           (1) IN GENERAL.—Section 45(a) of the Small  
13      Business Act (15 U.S.C. 657r(a)) is amended by  
14      adding at the end the following new paragraph:

15           “(3) UNITED STATES VIRGIN ISLANDS BUSI-  
16      NESSES.—During the period beginning on the date  
17      of enactment of this paragraph and ending on the  
18      date that is 3 years after such date of enactment,  
19      the Administrator shall identify potential incentives  
20      to a covered mentor that awards a subcontract to its  
21      covered protege, including—

22           “(A) positive consideration in any past per-  
23      formance evaluation of the covered mentor;

24           “(B) the application of costs incurred for  
25      providing training to such covered protege to

1 the subcontracting plan (as required under  
2 paragraph (4) or (5) of section 8(d)) of the cov-  
3 ered mentor; and

4 “(C) such other incentives as the Adminis-  
5 trator determines appropriate.”.

6 (2) DEFINITIONS.—Section 45(d) of the Small  
7 Business Act (15 U.S.C. 657r(d)) is amended by  
8 adding at the end the following new paragraphs:

9 “(4) COVERED MENTOR.—The term ‘covered  
10 mentor’ means a mentor that enters into an agree-  
11 ment under this Act, or under any mentor-protege  
12 program approved under subsection (b)(1), with a  
13 covered protege.

14 “(5) COVERED PROTEGE.—The term ‘covered  
15 protege’ means a protege of a covered mentor that  
16 is a United States Virgin Islands business.”.

17 (f) ADDITIONAL MENTOR-PROTEGE RELATIONSHIPS  
18 FOR PROTEGE FIRMS THAT ARE UNITED STATES VIRGIN  
19 ISLANDS BUSINESSES.—Section 45(b)(3)(A) of the Small  
20 Business Act (15 U.S.C. 657r(b)(3)(A)) is amended by in-  
21 serting “, except that, during the 3-year period beginning  
22 on the date of the enactment of the United States Virgin  
23 Islands Small Business Contracting Assistance Act of  
24 2018, such restrictions shall not apply to up to 2 mentor-  
25 protege relationships if such relationships are between a

1 covered protege and covered mentor” after “each partici-  
2 pant”.

