AMENDMENT
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OFFERED BY MR. CONNOLLY OF VIRGINIA

At the end of title VIII (page 404, after line 21), add the following new section:

SEC. 8. PROCUREMENT ADMINISTRATIVE LEAD TIME

DEFINITION AND PLAN.

(a) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 180 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Administrator for Federal Procurement Policy shall develop, make available for public comment, and finalize—

(1) a definition of the term “Procurement administrative lead time” or “PALT”, to be applied Government-wide, that describes the amount of time from the date on which a solicitation for a contract or task order is issued to the date of an initial award of the contract or task order; and

(2) a plan for measuring and publicly reporting data on PALT for Federal Government contracts and task orders in amounts greater than the simplified acquisition threshold.

(b) REQUIREMENT FOR DEFINITION.—Unless the Administrator determines otherwise, the amount of time
in the definition of PALT developed under subsection (a) shall—

(1) begin on the date on which an initial solicitation is issued by a Federal department or agency for a contract or task order; and

(2) end on the date of the award of the contract or task order.

(c) COORDINATION.—In developing the definition of PALT, the Administrator shall coordinate with—

(1) the senior procurement executives of Federal agencies;

(2) the Secretary of Defense; and

(3) the Administrator of the General Services Administration on modifying the existing data system of the Federal Government to determine the date on which the initial solicitation is issued.

(d) USE OF EXISTING PROCUREMENT DATA SYSTEM.—In developing the plan for measuring and publicly reporting data on PALT required by subsection (a), the Administrator shall, to the maximum extent practicable, rely on the information contained in the Federal procurement data system established pursuant to section 1122(a)(4) of title 41, United States Code, including any modifications to that system.