## Amendment to the Rules Committee Print for H.R. 1735 Offered by Ms. Maxine Waters of California

Page 376, after line 4, insert the following:

## 1SEC. 844. REQUIREMENTS FOR THE PARTICIPATION OF2CERTAIN SMALL BUSINESS CONCERNS IN3CONTRACTS AWARDED BY THE DEPARTMENT4OF DEFENSE.

5 (a) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of the Department of Defense shall, to the maximum extent possible, consider 6 the participation of small business concerns owned and 7 controlled by women, small business concerns owned and 8 9 controlled by veterans (as such terms are defined in section 3 of the Small Business Act (15 U.S.C. 632), and 10 11 small business concerns owned and controlled by socially 12 and economically disadvantaged individuals (as defined in 13 section 8(d)(3)(C) of such Act) in awarding contracts.

(b) REPORT.—The Secretary of the Department of
Defense shall submit an annual report to Congress containing statistics describing the number of contracts
awarded during the year to small business concerns owned
and controlled by women, small business concerns owned

1~ and controlled by veterans, and small business concerns

2 owned and controlled by socially and economically dis-

3 advantaged individuals.

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