

AMENDMENT TO THE RULES COMMITTEE PRINT

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Add at the end of subtitle D of title VIII the following new section:

1 **SEC. 8___. ANNUAL REPORTS REGARDING THE SMALL**
2 **BUSINESS INNOVATION RESEARCH PROGRAM**
3 **OF THE DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE.**

4 (a) REPORTS.—Not later than 90 days after the date
5 of the enactment of this Act, and not later than 120 days
6 after the last day of each fiscal year that begins after such
7 date of enactment, the Secretary of Defense, in consulta-
8 tion with each Secretary of a military department, shall
9 submit, through the Under Secretary of Defense for Re-
10 search and Engineering, to Congress a report that ad-
11 dresses—

12 (1) the ways in which the Secretary, as of the
13 date on which the report is submitted, is using in-
14 centives described under section 9(y)(6)(B) of the
15 Small Business Act (15 U.S.C. 638(y)(6)(B)) for
16 Department of Defense program managers to in-
17 crease the number of Phase II SBIR awards made
18 by the Secretary that lead to technology transition

1 into programs of record or fielded systems, including
2 the determination of the Secretary regarding the po-
3 tential effect of providing monetary incentives to
4 program managers for that purpose;

5 (2) the extent to which the Secretary has devel-
6 oped simplified and standardized procedures and
7 model contracts throughout the agency for Phase I,
8 Phase II, and Phase III SBIR awards, as required
9 under section 9(hh)(2)(A)(i) of the Small Business
10 Act (15 U.S.C. 638(hh)(2)(A)(i));

11 (3) the extent to which Phase I, Phase II, and
12 Phase III SBIR awards made by the Secretary align
13 with the modernization priorities of the Department,
14 including with respect to artificial intelligence, bio-
15 technology, autonomy, cybersecurity, directed en-
16 ergy, fully networked command, control, and com-
17 munication systems, microelectronics, quantum
18 science, hypersonics, and space; and

19 (4) any other action taken, and proposed to be
20 taken, to increase the number SBIR awards made
21 by the Secretary that lead to technology transition
22 into programs of record or fielded systems.

23 (b) DEFINITIONS.—In this section—

24 (1) the terms “Phase I”, “Phase II”, “Phase
25 III”, and “SBIR” have the meanings given such

1 terms, respectively, in section 9(e) of the Small
2 Business Act (15 U.S.C. 638(e)); and
3 (2) the term “Secretary” means the Secretary
4 of Defense.

