

**AMENDMENT TO THE RULES COMMITTEE PRINT**

**115-70**

**OFFERED BY MR. SCHNEIDER OF ILLINOIS**

Page 368, after line 24, insert the following:

1 (c) IMPROVEMENTS TO TECHNICAL AND BUSINESS  
2 ASSISTANCE.—Section 9(q) of the Small Business Act (15  
3 U.S.C. 638(q)) is amended—

4 (1) in the subsection heading, by inserting  
5 “AND BUSINESS” after “TECHNICAL”;

6 (2) in paragraph (1)—

7 (A) in the matter preceding subparagraph

8 (A)—

9 (i) by striking “a vendor selected  
10 under paragraph (2)” and inserting “1 or  
11 more vendors selected under paragraph  
12 (2)(A)”;

13 (ii) by inserting “and business” before  
14 “assistance services”; and

15 (iii) by inserting “assistance with  
16 product sales, intellectual property protec-  
17 tions, market research, market validation,  
18 and development of regulatory plans and

1 manufacturing plans,” after “tech-  
2 nologies,”; and

3 (B) in subparagraph (D), by inserting “,  
4 including intellectual property protections” be-  
5 fore the period at the end;

6 (3) in paragraph (2)—

7 (A) by striking “Each agency may select a  
8 vendor to assist small business concerns to  
9 meet” and inserting the following:

10 “(A) IN GENERAL.—Each agency may se-  
11 lect 1 or more vendors from which small busi-  
12 ness concerns may obtain assistance in meet-  
13 ing”; and

14 (B) by adding at the end the following:

15 “(B) SELECTION BY SMALL BUSINESS  
16 CONCERN.—A small business concern may, by  
17 contract or otherwise, select 1 or more vendors  
18 to assist the small business concern in meeting  
19 the goals listed in paragraph (1).”; and

20 (4) in paragraph (3)—

21 (A) by inserting “(A)” after “paragraph  
22 (2)” each place it appears;

23 (B) in subparagraph (A), by striking  
24 “\$5,000 per year” each place it appears and in-  
25 serting “\$6,500 per year”;

1 (C) in subparagraph (B)—

2 (i) by striking “\$5,000 per year” each  
3 place it appears and inserting “\$50,000  
4 per project”; and

5 (ii) in clause (ii), by striking “which  
6 shall be in addition to the amount of the  
7 recipient’s award” and inserting “which  
8 may, as determined appropriate by the  
9 head of the agency, be included as part of  
10 the recipient’s award or be in addition to  
11 the amount of the recipient’s award”;

12 (D) in subparagraph (C)—

13 (i) by inserting “or business” after  
14 “technical”;

15 (ii) by striking “the vendor” and in-  
16 sserting “a vendor”; and

17 (iii) by adding at the end the fol-  
18 lowing: “Business-related services aimed at  
19 improving the commercialization success of  
20 a small business concern may be obtained  
21 from an entity, such as a public or private  
22 organization or an agency of or other enti-  
23 ty established or funded by a State that fa-  
24 cilitates or accelerates the commercializa-  
25 tion of technologies or assists in the cre-

1           ation and growth of private enterprises  
2           that are commercializing technology.”;

3           (E) in subparagraph (D)—

4                 (i) by inserting “or business” after  
5           “technical” each place it appears; and

6                 (ii) in clause (i), by striking “the ven-  
7           dor” and inserting “1 or more vendors”;

8           and

9           (F) by adding at the end the following:

10                 “(E) MULTIPLE AWARD RECIPIENTS.—The  
11           Administrator shall establish a limit on the  
12           amount of technical and business assistance  
13           services that may be received or purchased  
14           under subparagraph (B) by a small business  
15           concern that has received multiple Phase II  
16           SBIR or STTR awards for a fiscal year.”.

