AMENDMENT TO RULES COMMITTEE PRINT 115–70

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At the end of subtitle D of title VIII, add the following:

SEC. 8. E-COMMERCE PORTAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE.

(a) Establishment.—Not later than 30 days after the phase III implementation date, the Administrator shall establish the E-Commerce Portal Advisory Committee to advise the Administrator with respect to the implementation of the e-commerce portal program established under section 846 of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2018 (Public Law 115–91).

(b) Membership and Composition.—

(1) Appointments.—

(A) In general.—Subject to subparagraphs (A) and (B), the Advisory Committee shall consist of not more than 25 members, appointed by the Administrator as follows:

(i) 1 member shall be from the National Industries for the Blind.

(ii) 1 member shall be from AbilityOne.
(iii) Such other members as the Administrator determines appropriate.

(B) CONSULTATION REQUIRED.—In appointing members of the Advisory Committee under subparagraph (A), the Administrator shall consult with industry trade associations.

(C) REQUIREMENTS.—To be eligible to be appointed as a member by the Administrator under subparagraph (A), an individual shall—

(i) be a representative of an entity awarded a contract as a commercial e-commerce portal provider pursuant to section 846(a) of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2018 (Public Law 115–91); and

(ii) have at least 10 years of experience with the procurement process for the Federal Government.

(D) VACANCIES.—In the case of a vacancy on Advisory Committee, such vacancy shall, not later than 30 days after the date on which the vacancy began, be filled in the manner in which the original appointment was made.

(2) COMPOSITION.—
(A) LEADERSHIP.—The Advisory Committee shall elect a Chairman and a Vice Chairman from among its members.

(B) VOTES.—Each member of the Advisory Committee shall have one vote with respect to recommendations or other actions of the Advisory Committee.

(c) DUTIES OF THE ADVISORY COMMITTEE.—The Advisory Committee shall—

(1) meet at least quarterly with the Administrator during each year of the 6-year period beginning on the date of the establishment of the Advisory Committee;

(2) represent the needs of industry in such meetings;

(3) with respect to the e-commerce portal program established under section 846 of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2018 (Public Law 115–91)—

(A) evaluate and offer recommendations with respect to the implementation of such program;

(B) create timelines with respect to achieving the goals of such implementation;
(C) facilitate communication between contractors and the Federal Government; and

(D) evaluate and offer recommendations with respect to compliance with applicable laws.

(d) SUBMISSION OF RECOMMENDATIONS.—The Advisory Committee may submit recommendations to the Administrator if such recommendations are agreed to by a majority vote.

(e) DEPARTMENT ACTIVITIES.—The Administrator shall—

(1) at least 72 hours before a meeting described in subsection (c)(1), provide the Advisory Committee with a final agenda with respect to such meeting;

(2) record minutes for each meeting with the Advisory Committee; and

(3) provide technical assistance to the Advisory Committee to carry out the duties under subsection (e).

(f) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

(1) ADMINISTRATOR.—The term “Administrator” means the Administrator of General Services.

(2) ADVISORY COMMITTEE.—The term “Advisory Committee” means the E-Commerce Portal Advisory Committee established under subsection (a).
(3) **Phase III Implementation Date.**—The term "phase III implementation date" means the date on which the guidance to implement and govern the use of the e-commerce portal program required under section 846(c)(3) of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2018 (Public Law 115–91) is submitted to the appropriate congressional committees.