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H. R. 447

To amend the Small Business Act to improve the Small Business Innovation Research Program, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JANUARY 26, 2011

Ms. HIRONO introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Small Business, and in addition to the Committee on Science, Space, and Technology, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned

A BILL

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1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “Small Business Inno-
5 vation Research Enhancement Act of 2011” or the “SBIR
6 Enhancement Act of 2011”.

1 **SEC. 2. REQUIRED EXPENDITURE AMOUNTS.**

2 (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 9(f)(1)(C) of the Small
3 Business Act (15 U.S.C. 638(f)(1)(C)) is amended by
4 striking “2.5 percent” and inserting “5 percent”.

5 (b) APPLICATION.—The amendment made by sub-
6 section (a) shall apply to the first full fiscal year beginning
7 after the date of enactment of this Act and to each fiscal
8 year thereafter.

9 **SEC. 3. FURTHER ADDITIONAL MODIFICATIONS TO POLICY**
10 **DIRECTIVES.**

11 Section 9(j) of the Small Business Act (15 U.S.C.
12 638(j)) is amended by adding at the end the following:

13 “(4) FURTHER ADDITIONAL MODIFICATIONS.—
14 Not later than 90 days after the date of enactment
15 of this paragraph, and notwithstanding paragraph
16 (2)(D), the Administrator shall modify the policy di-
17 rectives issued pursuant to this subsection to provide
18 for an increase to \$200,000 in the amount of funds
19 which an agency may award in the first phase of an
20 SBIR program, and to \$1,500,000 in the second
21 phase of an SBIR program, and an adjustment of
22 such amounts once every 5 years to reflect economic
23 adjustments and programmatic considerations.”.

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