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H. R. 7670

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

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Received; read twice and referred to the Committee on Small Business and
Entrepreneurship

AN ACT

To amend the Small Business Act to require a report on
small business concerns owned and controlled by women,
and for other purposes.

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

1 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

2 This Act may be cited as the “Women-Owned Small
3 Business Program Transparency Act” or the “WOSB
4 Program Transparency Act”.

5 **SEC. 2. REPORT ON SMALL BUSINESS CONCERNS OWNED**
6 **AND CONTROLLED BY WOMEN.**

7 (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 8(m) of the Small Busi-
8 ness Act (15 U.S.C. 637(m)) is amended by adding at the
9 end the following new paragraph:

10 “(9) REPORT.—Not later than May 1, 2023,
11 and annually thereafter, the Administrator shall sub-
12 mit to the Committee on Small Business of the
13 House of Representatives and the Committee on
14 Small Business and Entrepreneurship of the Senate
15 a report on small business concerns owned and con-
16 trolled by women. Such report shall include, for the
17 fiscal year preceding the date of the report, the fol-
18 lowing:

19 “(A) The total number of concerns cer-
20 tified as small business concerns owned and
21 controlled by women, disaggregated by the
22 number of concerns certified by—

23 “(i) the Administrator; or

24 “(ii) a national certifying entity ap-
25 proved by the Administrator.

1 “(B) The amount of fees, if any, charged
2 by each national certifying entity for such cer-
3 tification.

4 “(C) The total dollar amount and total
5 percentage of prime contracts awarded to small
6 business concerns owned and controlled by
7 women pursuant to paragraph (2) or pursuant
8 to a waiver granted under paragraph (3).

9 “(D) The total dollar amount and total
10 percentage of prime contracts awarded to small
11 business concerns owned and controlled by
12 women pursuant to paragraphs (7) and (8).

13 “(E) With respect to a contract incorrectly
14 awarded pursuant to this subsection because it
15 was awarded based on an industry in which
16 small business concerns owned and controlled
17 by women are not underrepresented—

18 “(i) the number of such contracts;

19 “(ii) the Federal agencies that issued
20 such contracts; and

21 “(iii) any steps taken by Adminis-
22 trator to train the personnel of such Fed-
23 eral agency on the use of the authority
24 provided under this subsection.

1 “(F) With respect to an examination de-
2 scribed in paragraph (5)(B)—

3 “(i) the number of examinations due
4 because of recertification requirements and
5 the actual number of such examinations
6 conducted; and

7 “(ii) the number of examinations con-
8 ducted for any other reason.

9 “(G) The number of small business con-
10 cerns owned and controlled by women that were
11 found to be ineligible to be awarded a contract
12 under this subsection as a result of an examina-
13 tion conducted pursuant to paragraph (5)(B) or
14 failure to request an examination pursuant to
15 section 127.400 of title 13, Code of Federal
16 Regulations (or a successor rule).

17 “(H) The number of small business con-
18 cerns owned and controlled by women that were
19 decertified.

20 “(I) Any other information the Adminis-
21 trator determines necessary.”.

(b) TECHNICAL AMENDMENT.—Section 8(m)(2)(C) of the Small Business Act is amended by striking “paragraph (3)” and inserting “paragraph (4)”.

Passed the House of Representatives June 8, 2022.

Attest: **CHERYL L. JOHNSON,**
Clerk.