

HR 2747

Rural Technology Development and Outreach Act

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Sponsor

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Cosponsors

No cosponsors are listed for this bill.

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Science, Space, and Technology Committee	House	Referred To	Jun 8, 2009
Small Business Committee	House	Reported by	Jun 11, 2009

Subjects & Policy Tags

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Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

Rural Technology Development and Outreach Act - Amends provisions of the Small Business Act relating to the Small Business Innovation Research (SBIR) Program and the Small Business Technology Transfer (STTR) Program to direct the Administrator of the Small Business Administration (SBA) to make grants to organizations to: (1) conduct outreach efforts to increase participation in such programs; and (2) provide application, entrepreneurial, and business skills support to prospective program participants. Requires organizations receiving such funds to direct activities toward small businesses: (1) located in areas that are underrepresented in SBIR and STTR programs; or (2) owned and controlled by women, service-disabled veterans, and minorities. Directs the Administrator to establish an advisory board to carry out authorized activities. Provides a two-year period for each grant award.

Requires federal agencies, in making SBIR and STTR grant awards, to prioritize applications so as to increase the number of recipients from rural areas.

Directs each federal agency conducting an SBIR program to: (1) receive consent to identify the small business applicant to appropriate local and state economic development organizations; and (2) encourage partnerships between SBIR awardees and prime contractors, venture capital investment companies, business incubators, and larger businesses for the purpose of facilitating the progress of SBIR awardees to the third phase of the program.

Actions Timeline

- **Jun 11, 2009:** Subcommittee Consideration and Mark-up Session Held.
- **Jun 11, 2009:** Forwarded by Subcommittee to Full Committee by Voice Vote .
- **Jun 8, 2009:** Introduced in House
- **Jun 8, 2009:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Contracting and Technology .
- **Jun 8, 2009:** Referred to House Small Business
- **Jun 8, 2009:** Referred to the Committee on Small Business, and in addition to the Committee on Science 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.
- **Jun 8, 2009:** Referred to House Science and Technology