

HR 3851

Small Business Advocate Act of 2012

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Policy Area: Commerce

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Sponsor

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Rep. Mulvaney, Mick [R-SC-5]	R · SC		Feb 28, 2012
Rep. Walsh, Joe [R-IL-8]	R · IL		Feb 28, 2012
Rep. Hanna, Richard L. [R-NY-24]	R · NY		Mar 5, 2012
Rep. West, Allen B. [R-FL-22]	R · FL		Mar 5, 2012
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Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Oversight and Government Reform Committee	House	Discharged From	Dec 21, 2012
Small Business Committee	House	Reported By	Dec 21, 2012

Subjects & Policy Tags

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Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
112 S 3442	Related bill	Nov 29, 2012: Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship. Hearings held.
112 S 3572	Related bill	Sep 19, 2012: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance.

Small Business Advocate Act of 2012 - Amends the Small Business Act (the Act) to require the Director of the Small and Disadvantaged Business Utilization (established in each federal agency having procurement powers) to be compensated at least at the GS-15 rate and allows such position to be compensated at up to a Senior Executive Service level.

Includes as additional duties of each Director: (1) reviewing and advising on decisions to convert an activity performed by a small business to an activity performed by a federal employee; (2) providing advice and comments on acquisition strategies, market research, and justifications related to small business; (3) providing training to small businesses and contract specialists; (4) carrying out exclusively the duties enumerated under the Act and, while Director, not holding any other title, position, or responsibility, except as necessary to carry out such duties; and (5) reporting annually to the congressional small business committees on the provision of small business and contract specialist training.

Amends the Federal Acquisition Streamlining Act of 1994 to require the Small Business Procurement Advisory Council to: (1) conduct reviews of each Office of Small and Disadvantaged Business Utilization to determine compliance with Small Business Administration (SBA) requirements, (2) identify best practices for maximizing small business utilization in federal contracting, and (3) report annually to the small business committees on such reviews and best practices.

Actions Timeline

- **Dec 21, 2012:** Reported (Amended) by the Committee on Small Business. H. Rept. 112-721, Part I.
- **Dec 21, 2012:** Committee on Oversight and Government discharged.
- **Dec 21, 2012:** Placed on the Union Calendar, Calendar No. 524.
- **Mar 7, 2012:** Committee Consideration and Mark-up Session Held.
- **Mar 7, 2012:** Ordered to be Reported by the Yeas and Nays: 11 - 7.
- **Jan 31, 2012:** Introduced in House
- **Jan 31, 2012:** Referred to the Committee on Small Business, and in addition to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform, 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.