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Defense Acquisition Streamlining and Transparency Act

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Cosponsors

No cosponsors are listed for this bill.

Committee Activity

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This bill directs the Department of Defense (DOD) to establish a program to procure commercial off-the-shelf products through online marketplaces to expedite procurement and ensure reasonable pricing. A contract may be made without full and open competition.

DOD shall comply with commercially accepted standards of risk and materiality in performing an incurred cost audit.

DOD shall emphasize sustainment factors: (1) early in a weapon system's development, and (2) in the development of capabilities requirements.

A weapon system contract shall include clearly defined requirements for reliability and maintainability.

DOD shall establish: (1) contract performance best practices, which shall include incentive fees and recovery options; and (2) an investment program for funding weapon system design changes.

DOD shall negotiate the price of technical data before selecting a contractor for the development or production of a major weapon system.

The bill establishes an Office of Intellectual Property within the Office of the Under Secretary of Defense for Acquisition and Sustainment.

DOD shall ensure that: (1) sufficient data is collected and evaluated in support of a services contract, and (2) certain funding requirements are displayed separately for major defense acquisition programs.

DOD shall evaluate its strategy for developing and expanding the use of tools designed to facilitate the cost effectiveness and efficiency of developmental testing.

DOD shall: (1) implement a program to develop civil program managers for major defense acquisition programs, and (2) contract with an independent research entity to carry out a study of financial incentives for such managers.

The DOD acquisition workforce demonstration project is extended through December 31, 2023.

The defense business enterprise architecture shall include one or more common enterprise data structures to facilitate DOD-wide analysis.

Actions Timeline

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