

HR 3774

The Small Business Innovation Research and Small Business Technology Transfer Improvements Act of 2019

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Committee Activity

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Science, Space, and Technology Committee	House	Referred To	Jul 16, 2019
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Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

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This bill modifies the Small Business Innovation Research (SBIR) and Small Business Technology Transfer (STTR) programs administered by the Small Business Administration (SBA).

Specifically, the bill

- requires the Department of Defense to report on the goals and incentives used to increase awards of SBIR and STTR contracts;
- prioritizes innovation in manufacturing and cybersecurity;
- directs federal agencies to issue Phase III awards to technology developers without requiring further competition;
- requires agencies' senior procurement executives to coordinate with SBIR and STTR program officers to assist small businesses;
- requires the SBA to conduct outreach efforts at minority institutions and Hispanic-serving institutions;
- makes permanent (as the Civilian Agency Commercialization Readiness Program) the pilot program that a covered agency may establish for awarding SBIR and STTR Phase II and III funds for technology development and progression toward commercialization;
- requires all agencies participating in the SBIR program to establish a Commercialization Assistance Pilot Program to make SBIR Phase II awards to commercialize a project undertaken by a small business with SBIR Phase I awards;
- authorizes specified agencies to use a percentage of STTR funds for a Proof of Concept Partnership pilot program to accelerate the creation of small businesses and the commercialization of research innovations; and
- authorizes all agencies participating in the SBIR program, during FY2020-FY2024, to provide a SBIR Phase II award for a project to a small business concern without regard to whether such concern was provided a Phase I award for such project.

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