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H. R. 4491

[Report No. 119-223]

To require the Administrator of the Small Business Administration to implement certain recommendations relating to information technology modernization, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JULY 17, 2025

Mr. CISNEROS (for himself and Mr. JACK) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Small Business

AUGUST 15, 2025

Committed to the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union and ordered to be printed

A BILL

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

3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “SBA IT Modernization
5 Reporting Act”.

6 **SEC. 2. IMPLEMENTATION OF RECOMMENDATIONS RELAT-**
7 **ING TO INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY MOD-**
8 **ERNIZATION FOR THE SMALL BUSINESS AD-**
9 **MINISTRATION.**

10 (a) IN GENERAL.—The Administrator of the Small
11 Business Administration, acting through the Chief Infor-
12 mation Officer of the Administration, shall take such ac-
13 tions as may be necessary to implement the recommenda-
14 tions contained in the report of the Comptroller General
15 of the United States titled “IT MODERNIZATION: SBA
16 Urgently Needs to Address Risks on Newly Deployed Sys-
17 tem” (GAO–25–106963; published November 6, 2024).

18 (b) IMPLEMENTATION PLAN.—Not later than 180
19 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Ad-
20 ministrator shall submit to the Committee on Small Busi-
21 ness of the House of Representatives and the Committee
22 on Small Business and Entrepreneurship of the Senate an
23 implementation plan detailing the actions the Small Busi-
24 ness Administration will undertake to establish and imple-
25 ment policies and procedures to govern information tech-

1 nology modernization projects of the Administration. Such
2 policies and procedures shall, with respect to each
3 project—

4 (1) for each risk identified, explicitly state the
5 source of such risk in the relevant risk documenta-
6 tion;

7 (2) clearly define risk parameters;

8 (3) establish and maintain risk management
9 strategies;

10 (4) identify and document risks for all phases
11 of the life cycle;

12 (5) evaluate, categorize, and prioritize risks
13 based on defined risk parameters and develop
14 project risk management plans;

15 (6) connect measures to mitigate risk to risk
16 mitigation plans;

17 (7) require that any information technology ac-
18 quisition plan and any strategic plan contains infor-
19 mation needed to manage cyber risks;

20 (8) require that a traceability analysis is per-
21 formed and documented;

22 (9) require that security-related subject matter
23 experts are involved in selection process for contrac-
24 tors for a project;

1 (10) develop master schedules using the guide-
2 lines contained in the publication of the Comptroller
3 General titled “GAO Schedule Assessment Guide:
4 Best Practices for Project Schedules” (GAO–16–
5 89G; published December 22, 2015); and

6 (11) develop cost estimates using the guidelines
7 contained in the publication of the Comptroller Gen-
8 eral titled “Cost Estimating and Assessment Guide:
9 Best Practices for Developing and Managing Pro-
10 gram Costs” (GAO–20–195G; published March 12,
11 2020).

12 (c) ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS.—The implementa-
13 tion plan required by this section shall include the actions
14 required to carry out the requirements listed in para-
15 graphs (1) through (11) of subsection (b), an identifica-
16 tion of the office of the Administration responsible for im-
17 plementation, and the timelines for completion of each ac-
18 tion.

19 (d) BRIEFING REQUIRED.—Not later than 30 days
20 after the submission of the implementation plan required
21 under this section, the Administrator shall provide to the
22 Committee on Small Business of the House of Representa-
23 tives and the Committee on Small Business and Entrepre-
24 neurship of the Senate a briefing on the plan.

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