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H. R. 7217

To amend the Small Business Act to extend and modify the assistance for administrative, oversight, and contract processing costs for the SBIR and STTR programs, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. LATIMER introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Small Business, and in addition to the Committee on Science, Space, 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

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 “SBIR Administrative
5 Funding Act”.

1 **SEC. 2. EXTENSION AND MODIFICATION OF ASSISTANCE**
2 **FOR ADMINISTRATIVE, OVERSIGHT, AND**
3 **CONTRACT PROCESSING COSTS FOR SBIR**
4 **AND STTR PROGRAMS.**

5 (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 9(mm) of the Small Busi-
6 ness Act (15 U.S.C. 638(mm)) is amended—

7 (1) by designating the text of paragraph (1) as
8 subparagraph (A); and

9 (2) in paragraph (1)—

10 (A) by redesignating subparagraphs (A)
11 through (L) as clauses (i) through (xii), respec-
12 tively;

13 (B) by striking “September 30, 2025” and
14 inserting “September 30, 2030”;

15 (C) by striking “3 percent” and inserting
16 “3.3 percent”; and

17 (D) by adding at the end the following new
18 subparagraph:

19 “(B) TRANSFER OF FUNDS.—

20 “(i) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 2
21 months after the date of the enactment of
22 an Act providing appropriations for the
23 Department of Defense, the Department of
24 Energy, the Department of Health and
25 Human Services, the National Aeronautics
26 and Space Administration, or the National

1 Science Foundation, the head of each such
2 entity for which such Act provided appro-
3 priations shall transfer not less than 10
4 percent of the amount of the funds used
5 for the purposes described in clauses (i)
6 through (xii) of subparagraph (A) to the
7 Administrator to increase the resources of
8 the Administration for administering the
9 SBIR and STTR programs.

10 “(ii) FUND USE LIMITS.—None of the
11 funds transferred under clause (i) may be
12 used for or with respect to any program
13 established under the Small Business In-
14 vestment Act of 1958 (15 U.S.C. 661 et
15 seq.).”.

16 (b) INCREASING PARTICIPATION OF UNDERSERVED
17 POPULATIONS IN THE SBIR AND STTR PROGRAMS.—

18 (1) IN GENERAL.—Section 9(mm)(2) of the
19 Small Business Act (15 U.S.C. 638(mm)(2)) is
20 amended to read as follows:

21 “(2) OUTREACH AND TECHNICAL ASSIST-
22 ANCE.—A Federal agency participating in the pro-
23 gram under this subsection may use a portion of the
24 funds authorized for uses under paragraph (1) to
25 carry out the policy directive required under sub-

1 section (j)(2)(F) and to increase the participation of
2 States with respect to which a low level of SBIR
3 awards have historically been awarded.”.

4 (2) CONFORMING AMENDMENT.—Section
5 9(mm)(6) of the Small Business Act (15 U.S.C.
6 638(mm)(6)) is amended by striking “including”
7 and all that follows and inserting the following: “in-
8 cluding—

9 “(A) the use of funds transferred under
10 subparagraph (B) of paragraph (1) for the uses
11 authorized in such subparagraph and to achieve
12 the objectives of paragraph (2); and

13 “(B) the use of other funds under this
14 subsection to achieve such objectives.”.

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