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H. R. 3087

To make improvements to the Mentor-Protégé Program of the Department of Defense, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JUNE 4, 2019

Mr. BROWN of Maryland (for himself and Mr. TURNER) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Armed Services

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. REAUTHORIZATION AND IMPROVEMENT OF DE-**
4 **PARTMENT OF DEFENSE MENTOR-PROTÉGÉ**
5 **PROGRAM.**

6 (a) PERMANENT AUTHORIZATION.—Section 831 of
7 the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year
8 1991 (Public Law 101–510; 10 U.S.C. 2302 note) is
9 amended by striking subsection (j).

1 (b) OFFICE OF SMALL BUSINESS PROGRAMS OVER-
2 SIGHT.—Section 831 of the National Defense Authoriza-
3 tion Act for Fiscal Year 1991 (Public Law 101–510; 10
4 U.S.C. 2302 note) is amended—

5 (1) by redesignating subsection (n) as sub-
6 section (o); and

7 (2) by inserting after subsection (m) the fol-
8 lowing new subsection:

9 “(n) ESTABLISHMENT OF PERFORMANCE GOALS
10 AND PERIODIC REVIEWS.—The Office of Small Business
11 Programs of the Department of Defense shall—

12 “(1) establish performance goals consistent with
13 the stated purpose of the Mentor-Protégé Program
14 and outcome-based metrics to measure progress in
15 meeting those goals; and

16 “(2) submit to the congressional defense com-
17 mittees, not later than February 1, 2020, a report
18 on progress made toward implementing these per-
19 formance goals and metrics, based on periodic re-
20 views of the procedures used to approve mentor-
21 protégé agreements.”.

22 (c) MODIFICATION OF DISADVANTAGED SMALL
23 BUSINESS CONCERN DEFINITION.—Subsection (o)(2) of
24 the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year
25 1991 (Public Law 101–510; 10 U.S.C. 2302 note), as re-

1 designated by subsection (b)(1) of this section, is amended
 2 by striking “has less than half the size standard cor-
 3 responding to its primary North American Industry Clas-
 4 sification System code” and inserting “is not more than
 5 the size standard corresponding to its primary North
 6 American Industry Classification System code”.

7 (d) REMOVAL OF PILOT PROGRAM REFERENCES.—
 8 Section 831 of the National Defense Authorization Act for
 9 Fiscal Year 1991 (Public Law 101–510; 10 U.S.C. 2302
 10 note) is amended—

11 (1) in the subsection heading for subsection (a),
 12 by striking “PILOT”; and

13 (2) by striking “pilot” each place it appears.

14 (e) INDEPENDENT REPORT ON PROGRAM EFFEC-
 15 TIVENESS.—

16 (1) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of Defense
 17 shall direct the Defense Business Board to submit to
 18 the congressional defense committees a report evalu-
 19 ating the effectiveness of the Mentor-Protégé Pro-
 20 gram established under section 831 of the National
 21 Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 1991
 22 (Public Law 101–510; 10 U.S.C. 2302 note), includ-
 23 ing recommendations for improving the program in
 24 terms of performance metrics, forms of assistance,

1 and overall program effectiveness not later than
2 March 31, 2022.

3 (2) CONGRESSIONAL DEFENSE COMMITTEES
4 DEFINED.—In this subsection, the term “congres-
5 sional defense committees” has the meaning given
6 that term in section 101(a)(16) of title 10, United
7 States Code.

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