Public Law 99–443
99th Congress

An Act

Oct. 6, 1986

To provide the Small Business Administration continuing authority to administer a program for small innovative firms, and for other purposes.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,

SECTION 1. Section 9(e)(1) of the Small Business Act (15 U.S.C. 638(e)(1)) is amended by inserting immediately after “facilities,” the following: “except that for the Department of Defense it shall not include amounts obligated solely for operational systems development, and”.

SEC. 2. Section 5 of Public Law 97–219 is amended by striking “1988” and inserting “1993”.

SEC. 3. Section 6 of Public Law 97–219 is amended to read as follows:

“Sec. 6. (a) The Comptroller General, no later than December 31, 1988, shall transmit a report to the appropriate committees of the House of Representatives and of the Senate evaluating the effectiveness to date of phase one and phase two of the SBIR Program as set out in section 9(e)(4) of the Small Business Act. Such report shall examine the quality of the research supported by the SBIR Program compared to that traditionally supported by the affected agencies, and the extent to which the goals of the SBIR Program are being met. Such report shall also include the judgments of the heads of departments and agencies as to the effect of this Act on research programs.

“(b) The Comptroller General, no later than December 31, 1991, shall transmit to such committees an update of the report mandated under subsection (a). Such report, in addition, shall include an evaluation of phase three of the SBIR Program including a discussion of the aggregate commercial trends for products which are then currently in or have completed phase three of the program.”.

Approved October 6, 1986.

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