

**AMENDMENT TO H.R. 2763**  
**OFFERED BY MR. SCHNEIDER OF ILLINOIS AND**  
**MR. FITZPATRICK OF PENNSYLVANIA**

At the end of the bill, add the following new section:

1 **SEC. 7. IMPROVEMENTS TO TECHNICAL AND BUSINESS AS-**  
2 **SISTANCE IN THE SBIR AND STTR PRO-**  
3 **GRAMS.**

4 Section 9(q) of the Small Business Act (15 U.S.C.  
5 638(q)) is amended—

6 (1) in the subsection heading, by inserting  
7 “AND BUSINESS” after “TECHNICAL”;

8 (2) in paragraph (1)—

9 (A) in the matter preceding subparagraph  
10 (A)—

11 (i) by striking “a vendor selected  
12 under paragraph (2)” and inserting “1 or  
13 more vendors selected under paragraph  
14 (2)(A)”;

15 (ii) by inserting “and business” before  
16 “assistance services”; and

17 (iii) by inserting “assistance with  
18 product sales, intellectual property protec-  
19 tions, market research, market validation,

1 and development of regulatory plans and  
2 manufacturing plans,” after “tech-  
3 nologies,”; and

4 (B) in subparagraph (D), by inserting “,  
5 including intellectual property protections” be-  
6 fore the period at the end;

7 (3) in paragraph (2)—

8 (A) by striking “Each agency may select a  
9 vendor to assist small business concerns to  
10 meet” and inserting the following:

11 “(A) IN GENERAL.—Each agency may se-  
12 lect 1 or more vendors from which small busi-  
13 ness concerns may obtain assistance in meet-  
14 ing”; and

15 (B) by adding at the end the following:

16 “(B) SELECTION BY SMALL BUSINESS  
17 CONCERN.—A small business concern may, by  
18 contract or otherwise, select 1 or more vendors  
19 to assist the small business concern in meeting  
20 the goals listed in paragraph (1).”; and

21 (4) in paragraph (3)—

22 (A) by inserting “(A)” after “paragraph  
23 (2)” each place it appears;

1 (B) in subparagraph (A), by striking  
2 “\$5,000 per year” each place it appears and in-  
3 serting “\$6,500 per project”;

4 (C) in subparagraph (B)—

5 (i) by striking “\$5,000 per year” each  
6 place it appears and inserting “\$35,000  
7 per project”; and

8 (ii) in clause (ii), by striking “which  
9 shall be in addition to the amount of the  
10 recipient’s award” and inserting “which  
11 may, as determined appropriate by the  
12 head of the agency, be included as part of  
13 the recipient’s award or be in addition to  
14 the amount of the recipient’s award”;

15 (D) in subparagraph (C)—

16 (i) by inserting “or business” after  
17 “technical”;

18 (ii) by striking “the vendor” and in-  
19 serting “a vendor”; and

20 (iii) by adding at the end the fol-  
21 lowing: “Business-related services aimed at  
22 improving the commercialization success of  
23 a small business concern may be obtained  
24 from an entity, such as a public or private  
25 organization or an agency of or other enti-

1 ty established or funded by a State that fa-  
2 cilitates or accelerates the commercializa-  
3 tion of technologies or assists in the cre-  
4 ation and growth of private enterprises  
5 that are commercializing technology.”;

6 (E) in subparagraph (D)—

7 (i) by inserting “or business” after  
8 “technical” each place it appears; and

9 (ii) in clause (i), by striking “the ven-  
10 dor” and inserting “1 or more vendors”;

11 and

12 (F) by adding at the end the following:

13 “(E) MULTIPLE AWARD RECIPIENTS.—The  
14 Administrator shall establish a limit on the  
15 amount of technical and business assistance  
16 services that may be received or purchased  
17 under subparagraph (B) by a small business  
18 concern that has received multiple Phase II  
19 SBIR or STTR awards for a fiscal year.”.

