

AMENDMENT TO H.R. 1425
OFFERED BY MR. LUJÁN OF NEW MEXICO

Page 56, line 23, through page 59, line 4, amend subsection (e) to read as follows:

1 “(e) EXTENSIONS AND ENHANCEMENTS OF AUTHOR-
2 ITY.—

3 “(1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 6 months
4 after the date of enactment of the Creating Jobs
5 Through Small Business Innovation Act of 2011,
6 the head of each agency described in subsection (a),
7 in consultation with the Small Business Administra-
8 tion, shall cooperatively enter into an agreement
9 with the National Academy of Sciences for the Na-
10 tional Research Council to, not later than 4 years
11 after the date of enactment of the Creating Jobs
12 Through Small Business Innovation Act of 2011,
13 and every 4 years thereafter—

14 “(A) continue the most recent study under
15 this section relating to—

16 “(i) the issues described in subpara-
17 graphs (A), (B), (C), and (E) of subsection
18 (a)(1); and

1 “(ii) the effectiveness of the govern-
2 ment and public databases described in
3 section 9(k) of the Small Business Act (15
4 U.S.C. 638(k)) in reducing vulnerabilities
5 of the SBIR program and the STTR pro-
6 gram to fraud, waste, and abuse, particu-
7 larly with respect to Federal agencies
8 funding duplicative proposals and business
9 concerns falsifying information in pro-
10 posals;

11 “(B) conduct a comprehensive study of
12 how the STTR program has stimulated techno-
13 logical innovation and technology transfer, in-
14 cluding—

15 “(i) a review of the collaborations cre-
16 ated between small businesses and research
17 institutions, including an evaluation of the
18 effectiveness of the program in stimulating
19 new collaborations and any obstacles that
20 may prevent or inhibit the creation of such
21 collaborations;

22 “(ii) an evaluation of the effectiveness
23 of the program at transferring technology
24 and capabilities developed through Federal
25 funding;

1 “(iii) an evaluation of the program’s
2 success at commercializing technologies
3 compared with other Federal technology
4 transfer programs and the SBIR program;

5 “(iv) to the extent practicable, an
6 evaluation of the economic benefits
7 achieved by the STTR program, including
8 the economic rate of return;

9 “(v) an analysis of how Federal agen-
10 cies are using small businesses that have
11 completed Phase II under the STTR pro-
12 gram to fulfill their procurement needs;
13 and

14 “(vi) an analysis of whether the exist-
15 ing STTR allocation has impacted the ef-
16 fectiveness of the program in achieving its
17 goals.

18 “(C) make recommendations with respect
19 to the issues described in subparagraph (A),
20 (D), and (E) of subsection (a)(2) and subpara-
21 graph (B) of this paragraph; and

22 “(D) estimate, to the extent practicable,
23 the number of jobs created by the SBIR pro-
24 gram or STTR program of the agency.

1 “(2) CONSULTATION.—An agreement under
2 paragraph (1) shall require the National Research
3 Council to ensure that there is participation by and
4 consultation with the small business community, the
5 Administration, and other interested parties as de-
6 scribed in subsection (b).

7 “(3) REPORTING.—An agreement under para-
8 graph (1) shall require that—

9 “(A) not later than 4 years after the date
10 of enactment of the Creating Jobs Through
11 Small Business Innovation Act of 2011, and
12 every 4 years thereafter, the National Research
13 Council shall submit to the head of the agency
14 entering into the agreement, the Committee on
15 Small Business and Entrepreneurship of the
16 Senate, and the Committee on Small Business
17 and the Committee on Science, Space, and
18 Technology of the House of Representatives, a
19 report regarding the study conducted under
20 paragraph (1) and containing the recommenda-
21 tions described in paragraph (1); and

22 “(B) not later than 2 years after the date
23 of enactment of the Creating Jobs Through
24 Small Business Innovation Act of 2011, the
25 National Research Council shall submit to the

1 head of the agency entering into the agreement,
2 the Committee on Small Business and Entre-
3 preneurship of the Senate, and the Committee
4 on Small Business and the Committee on
5 Science, Space, and Technology of the House of
6 Representatives, a report of preliminary find-
7 ings and recommendations regarding the study
8 conducted under paragraph (1)(B).”.

