

Congress of the United States
U.S. House of Representatives
Committee on Small Business
2361 Rayburn House Office Building
Washington, DC 20515-6315

NOTICE OF HEARING

May 12, 2011

1:30 P.M. 2154 Rayburn House Office Building

TO: Members, House Committee on Small Business

FROM: Sam Graves, Chairman

DATE: Thursday, May 5, 2011

The House Committee on Small Business and the House Committee on Oversight and Government Reform will meet for a joint hearing titled, *Politicizing Procurement: Would President Obama's Proposal Curb Free Speech and Hurt Small Businesses?* The hearing is scheduled to begin at **1:30 P.M. on May 12, 2011 in Room 2154 of the Rayburn House Office Building.**

This hearing will examine the proposed Obama Executive Order ("EO") mandating the disclosure of political donations by government contractors as a prerequisite to receiving a government contract, and evaluate its impact and consequences upon the federal acquisition system. Specifically, the Committees are concerned that this proposed EO will inject politics into the procurement process, violated political free speech rights, and usurp the legislative power of Congress.

A staff briefing will be held on Tuesday, May 10, 2011 at 2:30 P.M. in Room 2360 of the Rayburn House Office Building.

If you or your staff has questions, please call Emily Murphy, Senior Counsel for the Committee, at x55821.