

AMENDMENT TO H.R. 3980
OFFERED BY MR. RICHMOND OF LOUISIANA

Page 9, insert after line 5 the following:

1 (c) GAO REPORT.—Not later than 365 days after the
2 date of enactment of this Act, the Comptroller General
3 of the United States shall conduct a study and submit a
4 report to the Committee on Small Business of the House
5 of Representatives and the Committee on Small Business
6 and Entrepreneurship of the Senate on the relationship
7 between the size and quality of the acquisition workforce
8 and the Federal government’s ability to maximize the utili-
9 zation of small businesses in Federal procurement. The
10 report shall specifically address the following:

11 (1) The extent to which training on small busi-
12 ness contracting laws affects a contracting officer’s
13 determination to use one of the contracting authori-
14 ties provided in the Small Business Act.

15 (2) The relationship between a robust Federal
16 acquisition workforce and small business success in
17 obtaining Federal contracting opportunities.

18 (3) The effect on economic growth if small busi-
19 nesses experienced a significant reduction in small
20 business procurement activities.

1 (4) The effect of the anticipated acceleration of
2 retirements by the acquisition workforce on small
3 business procurement opportunities.

