

**AMENDMENT TO THE AMENDMENT IN THE NA-  
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Add at the end the following:

1 **SEC. 100703. REPORT ON ACCESS TO CREDIT FOR SMALL**  
2 **BUSINESS CONCERNS OWNED AND CON-**  
3 **TROLLED BY VETERANS.**

4 (a) STUDY.—Not later than 180 days after the date  
5 of the enactment of this Act, the interagency task force  
6 on veteran small business development established under  
7 section 32(c) of the Small Business Act (15 U.S.C.  
8 657b(c)) shall conduct a study on access to credit for  
9 small business concerns owned and controlled by veterans  
10 compared to other small business concerns and submit a  
11 report to Congress. Such report shall include—

12 (1) an explanation for any differences in the ac-  
13 cess to credit and loan approval rates between small  
14 business concerns owned and controlled by veterans  
15 and other small business concerns;

16 (2) policy recommendations to increase access  
17 to credit for small business concerns owned and con-  
18 trolled by veterans.

1 (b) DEFINITIONS.—In this section, the terms “small  
2 business concern” and “small business concern owned and  
3 controlled by veterans” have the meanings given, respec-  
4 tively, under section 3 of the Small Business Act (15  
5 U.S.C. 636).

