

**AMENDMENT TO H.R. 5005, AS REPORTED
OFFERED BY MS. VELÁZQUEZ OF NEW YORK,
MR. ISSA OF CALIFORNIA, AND
MRS. WILSON OF NEW MEXICO**

In section 734 of the bill, insert before the first sentence the following:

1 (a) OFFICE OF SMALL AND DISADVANTAGED BUSI-
2 NESS UTILIZATION.—

At the end of section 734 of the bill, add the following new subsection:

3 (b) SMALL BUSINESS PROCUREMENT GOALS.—

4 (1) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary shall annually
5 establish goals for the participation by small busi-
6 ness concerns, by small business concerns owned and
7 controlled by service-disabled veterans, by qualified
8 HUBZone small business concerns, by small busi-
9 ness concerns owned and controlled by socially and
10 economically disadvantaged individuals, and by small
11 business concerns owned and controlled by women
12 (as such terms are defined pursuant to the Small
13 Business Act (15 U.S.C. 631 et seq.) and relevant
14 regulations promulgated thereunder) in procurement
15 contracts of the Department.



1 (2) DEPARTMENT GOALS NOT LESS THAN GOV-
2 ERNMENT-WIDE GOALS.—Notwithstanding section
3 15(g) of the Small Business Act (15 U.S.C. 644(g)),
4 each goal established under paragraph (1) shall be
5 equal to or greater than the corresponding Govern-
6 ment-wide goal established by the President under
7 section 15(g)(1) of the Small Business Act (15
8 U.S.C. 644(g)(1)).

9 (3) INCENTIVE FOR GOAL ACHIEVEMENT.—
10 Achievement of the goals established under para-
11 graph (1) shall be an element in the performance
12 standards for employees of the Department who
13 have the authority and responsibility for achieving
14 such goals.

