

118TH CONGRESS
2D SESSION

H. R. 9596

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

NOVEMBER 13, 2024

Received; read twice and referred to the Committee on Homeland Security and
Governmental Affairs

AN ACT

To amend title 41, United States Code, and title 10, United States Code, to provide best value through the multiple award schedule program, and for other purposes.

1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

1 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

2 This Act may be cited as the “Value Over Cost Act
3 of 2024”.

4 **SEC. 2. PROVIDING BEST VALUE THROUGH THE MULTIPLE**
5 **AWARD SCHEDULE PROGRAM.**

6 (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 152(3)(B) of title 41,
7 United States Code, is amended to read as follows:

8 “(B) orders and contracts under those pro-
9 cedures result in—

10 “(i) the lowest overall cost alternative;

11 or

12 “(ii) in the case that the Adminis-
13 trator of General Services determines that
14 obtaining best value (as described under
15 section 15.101 of the Federal Acquisition
16 Regulation) is necessary to promote the
17 best interests of the Federal Government,
18 obtaining the best value to meet the needs
19 of the Federal Government.”.

20 (b) CONFORMING AMENDMENT.—Section
21 3012(3)(B) of title 10, United States Code, is amended
22 to read as follows:

23 “(B) orders and contracts under those pro-
24 cedures result in—

25 “(i) the lowest overall cost alternative;

26 or

1 “(ii) in the case that the Adminis-
2 trator of General Services determines that
3 obtaining best value (as described under
4 section 15.101 of the Federal Acquisition
5 Regulation) is necessary to promote the
6 best interests of the Federal Government,
7 obtaining the best value to meet the needs
8 of the United States.”.

Passed the House of Representatives November 12,
2024.

Attest: KEVIN F. MCCUMBER,
Clerk.