

AMENDMENT**OFFERED BY MR. WILSON OF OHIO**

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

1 **SEC. 503. NANOTECHNOLOGY-RELATED RESEARCH TOPICS.**

2 (a) SBIR.—Section 9(g)(3) of the Small Business
3 Act (15 U.S.C. 638(g)(3)) is amended—

4 (1) by striking “or” at the end of subparagraph
5 (A);

6 (2) by adding “or” at the end subparagraph
7 (B); and

8 (3) by adding at the end the following new sub-
9 paragraph:

10 “(C) the national nanotechnology strategic
11 plan required under section 2(c)(4) of the 21st
12 Century Nanotechnology Research and Develop-
13 ment Act (15 U.S.C. 7501(c)(4)) and in subse-
14 quent reports issued by the National Science
15 and Technology Council Committee on Tech-
16 nology, focusing on areas of nanotechnology
17 identified in such plan;”.

18 (b) STTR.—Section 9(o)(1) of the Small Business
19 Act (15 U.S.C. 638(o)(1)) is amended by inserting “, giv-
20 ing special consideration to topics that further 1 or more

1 critical technologies, as identified by the national
2 nanotechnology strategic plan required under section
3 2(c)(4) of the 21st Century Nanotechnology Research and
4 Development Act (15 U.S.C. 7501(c)(4)) and in subse-
5 quent reports issued by the National Science and Tech-
6 nology Council Committee on Technology, focusing on
7 areas of nanotechnology identified in such plan” after “its
8 STTR program”.

AMENDMENT**OFFERED BY** *Rep. Adrian Smith*

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

1 **SEC. 503. RURAL PREFERENCE.**

2 Section 9 of the Small Business Act (15 U.S.C. 638)
3 is amended by adding at the end the following new sub-
4 section:

5 “(dd) RURAL PREFERENCE.—In making awards
6 under this section, Federal agencies shall give priority to
7 applications so as to increase the number of SBIR and
8 STTR award recipients from rural areas.”.