

**Suspend the Rules and Pass the Bill, H. R. 1365, With an
Amendment**

**(The amendment strikes all after the enacting clause and inserts a
new text)**

115TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION

H. R. 1365

To amend the Homeland Security Act of 2002 to require certain acquisition
innovation, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

MARCH 6, 2017

Mr. CORREA introduced the following bill; which was referred to the
Committee on Homeland Security

A BILL

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certain acquisition innovation, 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,*

3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “Department of Home-
5 land Security Acquisition Innovation Act”.

1 **SEC. 2. ACQUISITION INNOVATION.**

2 (a) IN GENERAL.—Title VII of the Homeland Secu-
3 rity Act of 2002 (6 U.S.C. 341 et seq.) is amended by
4 adding at the end the following new section:

5 **“SEC. 710. ACQUISITION INNOVATION.**

6 “The Under Secretary for Management may—

7 “(1) designate an individual within the Depart-
8 ment to manage acquisition innovation efforts of the
9 Department;

10 “(2) test emerging acquisition best practices to
11 carrying out acquisitions, consistent with the Fed-
12 eral Acquisition Regulation and Department acquisi-
13 tion management directives, as appropriate;

14 “(3) develop and distribute best practices and
15 lessons learned regarding acquisition innovation
16 throughout the Department;

17 “(4) establish metrics to measure the effective-
18 ness of acquisition innovation efforts with respect to
19 cost, operational efficiency of the acquisition pro-
20 gram (including timeframe for executing contracts),
21 and collaboration with the private sector, including
22 small businesses; and

23 “(5) determine impacts of acquisition innova-
24 tion efforts on the private sector by—

25 “(A) engaging with the private sector, in-
26 cluding small businesses, to provide information

1 and obtain feedback on procurement practices
2 and acquisition innovation efforts of the De-
3 partment;

4 “(B) obtaining feedback from the private
5 sector on the impact of acquisition innovation
6 efforts of the Department; and

7 “(C) incorporating such feedback, as ap-
8 propriate, into future acquisition innovation ef-
9 forts of the Department.”.

10 (b) CLERICAL AMENDMENT.—The table of contents
11 in section 1(b) of the Homeland Security Act of 2002 is
12 amended by inserting after the item relating to section
13 709 the following new item:

“Sec. 710. Acquisition innovation.”.

14 (c) INFORMATION.—Not later than 90 days after the
15 date on which the Secretary of Homeland Security sub-
16 mits the annual budget justification for the Department
17 of Homeland Security for each of fiscal years 2018
18 through 2022, the Secretary shall, if appropriate, provide
19 information to the Committee on Homeland Security of
20 the House of Representatives and the Committee on
21 Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs of the Sen-
22 ate on the activities undertaken in the previous fiscal year
23 in furtherance of section 710 of the Homeland Security
24 Act, as added by subsection (a) of this Act, on the fol-
25 lowing:

1 (1) Emerging acquisition best practices that
2 were tested within the Department during such year.

3 (2) Efforts to distribute best practices and les-
4 sons learned within the Department, including
5 through web-based seminars, training, and forums,
6 during such year.

7 (3) Utilization by components throughout the
8 Department of best practices distributed by the
9 Under Secretary of Management pursuant to para-
10 graph (3) of such section 710.

11 (4) Performance as measured by the metrics es-
12 tablished under paragraph (4) of such section 710.

13 (5) Outcomes of efforts to distribute best prac-
14 tices and lessons learned within the Department, in-
15 cluding through web-based seminars, training, and
16 forums.

17 (6) Any impacts of the utilization of innovative
18 acquisition mechanisms by the Department on the
19 private sector, including small businesses.

20 (7) The criteria used to identify specific acquisi-
21 tion programs or activities to be included in acquisi-
22 tion innovation efforts and the outcomes of such
23 programs or activities.

24 (8) Recommendations, as necessary, to enhance
25 acquisition innovation in the Department.