



Date: February 3, 2026

The Honorable James Comer  
Chairman  
Committee on Oversight and Accountability  
U.S. House of Representatives  
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Chairman Comer:

On behalf of the **Center for Procurement Advocacy (CPA)**, we write to express our strong support for a set of bipartisan, complementary bills before the Committee that would meaningfully strengthen Federal acquisition outcomes, improve stewardship of taxpayer dollars, and modernize how the Federal Government buys goods and services.

Taken together, these measures advance a procurement system that is more outcomes-focused, technologically capable, and responsive to market realities—while preserving appropriate oversight and accountability.

**Value Over Cost Act (H.R. 1118)**

The Value Over Cost Act clarifies that agencies using the Multiple Award Schedule program may prioritize “best value” rather than defaulting to lowest overall cost when it is in the Government’s best interest. By explicitly aligning statute with existing Federal Acquisition Regulation best-value principles, this bill enables contracting officers to consider quality, performance, and mission outcomes—reducing false economies and helping agencies avoid costly downstream failures.

**Modernizing Government Technology Reform Act (H.R. 2985)**

This legislation strengthens and refocuses the Technology Modernization Fund (TMF) by reinforcing repayment discipline, improving project oversight, and prioritizing the modernization of high-risk legacy IT systems. The bill enhances transparency to Congress, aligns TMF usage with original congressional intent, and ensures funds are deployed incrementally against measurable milestones—supporting smarter IT acquisitions and better risk management.

**Federal Improvement in Technology (FIT) Procurement Act (H.R. 4123)**

The FIT Procurement Act modernizes Federal technology acquisition by investing in the acquisition workforce, expanding training on innovative and commercial procurement methods, and promoting competition and market-based solutions. By emphasizing experiential learning, cross-functional collaboration, and streamlined procurement techniques, the bill improves agencies’ ability to acquire modern technologies while lowering barriers to entry for innovative firms.



### **Ensuring Federal Purchasing Efficiency Act**

This bill ensures that key acquisition-related dollar thresholds are updated every three years, rather than on an outdated five-year cycle. Regular adjustments better reflect inflation and market conditions, preserve the effectiveness of simplified acquisition procedures, and reduce unnecessary administrative burden—allowing contracting officers to focus time and resources on higher-value, higher-risk procurements.

CPA believes these bills reflect a thoughtful, pragmatic approach to acquisition reform—one that empowers the workforce, improves competition, embraces innovation, and reinforces accountability. We respectfully urge the Committee to advance these measures and stand ready to serve as a resource as you continue your leadership on Federal procurement modernization.

Thank you for your continued commitment to improving how the Federal Government delivers for the American people.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "T. Brennan", with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Timothy Brennan  
President  
Center for Procurement Advocacy