



Congresswoman Stephanie Murphy
Floor Statement in Support of Amendment No. 202 to H.R. 2810, the National Defense
Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2018
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Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

I thank my colleagues for including my amendment in this en bloc package.

My amendment would authorize Procurement Technical Assistance Centers to assist small business owners in pursuing funding opportunities during all phases of the SBIR and STTR programs.

These federal programs enable small businesses to perform research and development that advances the national interest and has the potential for commercialization.

My central Florida district is primed to benefit from these programs, since it is home to a large and growing number of small firms that harness the power of technology, produce innovative products for customers in the public and private sector, and—in the process—create well-paying jobs and generate broad-based economic growth.

Thank you, and I yield back.