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02/05/2018 – Yellow Pages Test Bill Under Consideration

Congress is moving to “mark-up” [H.R. 1339](#), the "*Freedom From Government Competition Act (FFGCA) of 2017*" sponsored by Rep. John J. "Jimmy" Duncan, Jr. (R-TN), in the next few days. Of the 15 current [cosponsors](#) of the bill, members of the House Committee on Oversight & Government Reform already on the bill as cosponsors include: Rod Blum (IA), Scott DesJarlais (TN), Paul Gosar (AZ), Jody Hice (GA), and Paul Mitchell (MI). In short, H.R. 1339 is also known as the “yellow pages test” bill as it would lift the current moratorium on OMB Circular A-76 public-private cost comparisons. This effort will improve opportunities for private sector firms to come into the Federal marketplace and pursue additional Federal contracting options. As a founding member of the Business Coalition for Fair Competition (BCFC), CIRT joined other organizations in urging Congress to pass the bill. [\[For details see the BCFC Letter\]](#).