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House Passes Sessions' Amendment to Save Taxpayer Dollars and Promote Market Competition

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Washington, D.C. – U.S. Congressman Pete Sessions (R-TX-32), a Member of House Republican Leadership, today secured House approval of his amendment to the Department of Homeland Security Appropriations Act (H.R. 2107) which strikes Section 514 of the legislation. Section 514 eliminates any use of funds for A-76 competitions which prevents the private sector from competing in commercial activities at the Department of Homeland Security (DHS).

“I am pleased that the House has recognized the need for our government to encourage market competition so that we can improve service, lower costs and deliver best services to the American people. By allowing A-76 cost competitions between the public and private sector, DHS can bring the best value to our nation’s hardworking taxpayers regardless of which sector wins the competition.

“During this continued period of economic uncertainty and unsustainable federal spending, Americans are looking to Congress for common-sense, taxpayer-first solutions to reduce the cost of services provided by our federal government. This amendment eliminates the federal government’s monopoly on services at DHS and allows our nation’s free market system to fairly compete.”

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