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3 SMITHERMAN AMENDMENT TO HB609, AS ENGROSSED
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8 On page 4, line 14, after "638(e)(8)" insert the
9 following:

10 , with particular focus on underrepresented
11 companies as defined in subsection (c) of Section 40-18-376.4,
12 Code of Alabama 1975, in a manner that reflects the diversity
13 of gender, race, and geographical areas of the state, and
14 small businesses conducting research in partnership with
15 historically Black colleges and universities
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17 On page 4, after line 24, insert the following new
18 subdivisions and renumber the subsequent subdivision
19 accordingly:

20 (6) The corporation shall develop a marketing
21 campaign directed at ensuring that underrepresented companies,
22 as defined in subsection (c) of Section 40-18-376.4, Code of
23 Alabama 1975, and historically Black colleges and universities
24 are aware of the federal Small Business Innovation Research
25 and Small Business Technology Transfer Research programs,
26 together with the Alabama award match program.

1 (7) The corporation shall develop a program that
2 will provide federal Small Business Innovation Research and
3 Small Business Technology Transfer Research program
4 application assistance to underrepresented companies, as
5 defined in subsection (c) of Section 40-18-376.4, Code of
6 Alabama 1975.