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Daily Media Clips

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The Section 809 Panel is a congressionally mandated panel designed to be a catalyst that restores agility and simplicity to defense acquisition through bold and effective recommendations.

Good morning! We found several articles that you may be interested in.

How to fix the Pentagon's acquisition workforce problems in one week
July 5, 2018 | Lauren Williams

The Section 809 Panel, established to find ways to streamline and improve the defense acquisition process, has advocated for drastic changes, primarily by empowering acquisition leaders to make buying and hiring decisions and boosting funding to train civilian acquisition workers, according to its latest report.

FCW talked with Section 809 Panel Chair David Drabkin and Commissioner and Ret. Army Lt. Gen. N. Ross Thompson III about the panel's June 28 report, a second of three volumes on streamlining acquisition regulations, to get their thoughts on how successful the recommendations would be if adopted. The following interview has been edited and condensed for clarity and length.

FCW: How do existing acquisition hiring authorities fail to address critical skill gaps through the hiring process? What are the gaps?

THOMPSON: One of the areas we knew we needed to work on was the acquisition workforce, roughly 150,000 in the Defense Department today. It's one of the most professional workforces in the Department because of the certification and development requirements that are necessary to move from position to position.

Read more HERE.

Other Articles of Interest

The Navy's New Ford-Class Aircraft Carriers Could Be a Game Changer (And We Need More of Them)
July 6, 2018 | Daniel Goure

Modern War Threats May Speed Amphib Assault Ship Buys - Navy: Not Enough Amphibs
July 4, 2018 | Kris Osborn

GSA put contractors to work without security clearances
July 5, 2018 | Jessie Bur

Section 814 and the potential impact on innovation

July 6, 2018 | Roger Waldron

DOD gives more detail on 'cloud initiative' under CIO Dana Deasy's lead
July 5, 2018 | Billy Mitchell

GSA Streamlines General Schedules to Allow Ancillary Purchases
July 5, 2018 | Charles Clark

After 40 Years, A Look Back at the Unlikely Passage of Civil Service Reform
July 3, 2018 | Charles Clark

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In our Volume 2 Report, we cover topics such as enterprise capability portfolio management, operationalizing the Dynamic Marketplace concept, commercial source selection, the acquisition workforce, the Cost Accounting Standards Board, and services contracting. Additionally, you will see more information on decluttering Title 10 of the U.S. Code. READ!

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