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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.

GSA looks to streamline buying policies
August 21, 2018 | Mark Rockwell

The General Services Administration is implementing new acquisition policies and procedures with an eye to allowing agencies to combine purchases and speed vendor negotiations, a top official said Tuesday.

Alan Thomas, commissioner of the Federal Acquisition Service at GSA said Aug. 21 that personnel are being trained on new Order Level Materials and Commercial Supplier Agreement rules. OLMs allow agencies to combine purchases. CSAs shorten negotiation processes with vendors.

A hard push to implement the new policies is coming after GSA personnel and contractors get up to speed on how OLMs and CSAs work. That preliminary work will probably take until the end of the year, with a drive to get them into action coming in 2019, Thomas said in remarks at a federal technology event hosted by FedScoop.

"It's a big lift," he told FCW in an interview after his presentation.

Read more HERE.

Other Articles of Interest

Army wants to cover costs for small businesses to work in research labs
August 21, 2018 | Scott Maucione

The 2019 NDAA: What will be its impact? [Audio]
August 21, 2018 | Off the Shelf

Ready for some more reforms?
August 22, 2018 | Mike Causey

PEO structure survives Army Futures reorg, for now
August 21, 2018 | Lauren C. Williams

Federal Acquisition Regulation; Technical Amendments
August 22, 2018 | DoD, GSA, and NASA

Federal Acquisition Regulation: Federal Acquisition Circular 2005-100; Small Entity Compliance Guide
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Treasury's Data Lab makes federal spending numbers more accessible, engaging
August 21, 2018 | Amelia Brust

Pentagon, US Army nominees cruise through hearing
August 21, 2018 | Aaron Mehta

The U.S. needs to think about the unthinkable on cybersecurity
August 21, 2018 | Stewart Baker

Amid Funding Concerns, Four-Star Approved to Lead Army Futures Command
August 21, 2018 | Matthew Cox

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