

U.S. AbilityOne Commission Extends Comment Period Deadline for Notice of Proposed Rulemaking "Supporting Competition in the AbilityOne Program" to June 12, 2023

WASHINGTON, D.C., April 24, 2023 – In response to requests for additional time to comment on the Notice of Proposed Rulemaking "Supporting Competition in the AbilityOne Program," published in the <u>Federal Register</u> on March 13, 2023, the U.S. AbilityOne Commission is extending the comment period deadline to Monday, June 12, 2023.

The change will be reflected on www.regulations.gov, reference RIN 3037-AA14.

About the U.S. AbilityOne Commission

The AbilityOne Program is administered by the U.S. AbilityOne Commission, the operating name of the Committee for Purchase From People Who Are Blind or Severely Disabled. The Commission is an independent Federal agency composed of 15 Presidential appointees: 11 represent Federal agencies, and four serve as private citizens who are knowledgeable about employment barriers facing people who are blind or have significant disabilities.

About the AbilityOne Program

The AbilityOne Program facilitates the use of government procurement to provide employment in the United States for people who are blind or have significant disabilities. More than 36,000 individuals, including more than 2,500 veterans, are employed nationwide at more than 440 nonprofit agencies from Maine to Guam. AbilityOne provided nearly \$4 billion in products and services to approximately 40 Federal government agencies in FY 2022.



