

**Chairman David Valadao
Legislative Branch Subcommittee**

Opening Remarks

This is the Fiscal Year 2025 Legislative Branch Subcommittee Member Day Hearing.

I'd like to thank Ranking Member Espaillat, Committee Members, Representative Kilmer, and Representative Crockett for being here today.

In addition to our two witnesses here this morning, Representative Mark Takano (CA-39) and Representative Sylvia Garcia (TX-29) submitted testimony for the record. I would also like to make note that this hearing also serves as a vehicle for Public Witnesses to submit testimony for the record and nine testimonies were submitted and may be found online.

Representative Kilmer, I appreciate the work and support you have provided to modernize Congress. Your work on the Select Committee on Modernization and more recently the House Administration Committee's Modernization Subcommittee have driven the implementation of numerous recommendations that make the House and the Congress work more efficiently and effectively for our own benefit and that of our constituents.

Representative Crockett, thank you for taking the time to testify today. I look forward to hearing more about AbilityOne and how you believe Congress could benefit from procuring the flags that fly over the Capitol through this program.