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MEMORANDUM

August 30, 2021

To: Members of the Committee on Oversight and Reform

Fr: Committee Staff

Re: Committee Business Meeting

On **Thursday, September 2, 2021, at 11:00 a.m. ET, over Zoom**, the Committee will hold a remote business meeting to consider a Committee Print to implement the instructions provided by S. Con. Res. 14, the Concurrent Resolution on the Budget for Fiscal Year 2022. The Committee Print contains:

1. Critical funding to electrify the General Services Administration (GSA) and United States Postal Service vehicle fleets;
2. Funding to make needed capital improvements to Postal Service infrastructure;
3. Funding for the National Archives to speed the processing of veterans' record requests; and
4. Oversight and accountability provisions.

I. CRITICAL FUNDING TO ELECTRIFY GSA AND POSTAL SERVICE FLEETS

The Committee Print would provide substantial funding for GSA and the Postal Service to electrify their vehicle fleets and build the requisite support infrastructure: \$5 billion would be provided to GSA and \$2.4 billion would be provided to the Postal Service. Of the \$2.4 billion appropriated to the Postal Service, \$1.2 billion must be used to purchase electric vehicles, and \$1.2 billion must be used to purchase the requisite support infrastructure. This funding would position the federal government as a leader in vehicle modernization and would represent a significant step towards a fully electric future for federal vehicles.

II. FUNDING FOR POSTAL SERVICE CAPITAL PROJECTS

The Committee Print would provide \$10 million for the Postal Service to make capital project investments to improve its infrastructure. The Postal Service has more than 31,000

facilities around the country. This funding would start the process of making needed infrastructure improvements to ensure that Postal Service workers have a safe environment in which to serve the American public.

III. FUNDING FOR THE NATIONAL ARCHIVES AND RECORDS ADMINISTRATION

The Committee Print would provide \$50 million to the National Archives and Records Administration to address backlogs in responding to veterans' requests for military personnel records, improve cyber security, improve digital preservation and access to archival federal records, and address backlogs in Freedom of Information Act requests.

IV. OVERSIGHT AND ACCOUNTABILITY PROVISIONS

The Committee Print would provide additional funds to oversight entities to support oversight of funds provided by this bill. Fifteen million dollars would be provided to the Government Accountability Office (GAO) to perform oversight of implementation of the Justice40 Initiative, a total of \$10.7 million would be provided to the inspectors general of GSA and the Postal Service for oversight of their respective fleet electrification funding, and \$5 million would be provided to GAO for general oversight of the funds provided in the bill.

V. AMENDMENT PROCESS

Committee Rule 2(g) authorizes the Chair of the Committee to prioritize the consideration of amendments filed 24 hours in advance of the consideration of matters before the Committee or subcommittees. Pursuant to this rule, and at the Chair's discretion, the Committee may consider amendments that are pre-filed with the Committee clerk prior to amendments offered at a markup.

Members should pre-file amendments with the clerk of the Committee by emailing a searchable, electronic PDF copy of the amendment prepared by the House Legislative Counsel to Oversight_Clerks@mail.house.gov and to Christina Parisi at Christina.Parisi@mail.house.gov at least 24 hours before the scheduled start of the business meeting. Members should include in the email accompanying the amendment text:

1. the name(s) of the Member(s) who will offer the amendment;
2. the name and number of the measure to be amended;
3. a brief, one-sentence description of the amendment; and
4. the name and phone number of a staff member who will serve as the point of contact for the amendment.

Pre-filed amendments will be compiled into a single roster, and the roster will be made available to Committee members prior to business meetings. Any amendment to a measure or

matter before the Committee or a subcommittee should be germane to the measure or matter, including in scope, subject matter, and Committee consideration. Votes on amendments likely will be grouped together at a time determined by the Chair, pursuant to Committee Rules.