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MEMORANDUM

November 15, 2024

To: Members, Committee on Oversight and Accountability

From: Committee Staff

Re: Committee Business Meeting

On <u>Wednesday</u>, <u>November 20, 2024</u>, at 10:30 a.m. ET, in room 2154 of the <u>Rayburn House Office Building</u>, the Committee on Oversight and Accountability will hold a business meeting to consider the following:

- 1. H.R. 9491, the Presidential Library Donation Reform Act
- 2. H.R. 10133, the Timely Stock Disclosure Act
- 3. H.R. 10132, the Federal Agency Performance Act
- 4. H.R. _____, the Financial Management Risk Reduction Act
- 5. H.R. 9040, the Taxpayer Exposure Risk Reduction Act
- 6. H.R. 10134, the Natural Disaster Resilience and Recovery Accountability Act
- 7. H.R. 10062, the Freedom to Petition the Government Act
- 8. H.R. 8690, the Stop Secret Spending Act
- 9. H.R. _____, the Modernizing Data Practices to Improve Government Act
- 10. H.R. 8706, the Dismantle DEI Act
- 11. H.R. 8753, To direct the United States Postal Service to designate single, unique ZIP Codes for certain communities, and for other purposes
- 12. Several postal naming measures.

I. H.R. 9491, PRESIDENTIAL LIBRARY DONATION REFORM ACT:

A. Summary

The bill requires presidential library fundraising organizations to keep records associated with covered information regarding donors who contribute more than \$200 and share that information quarterly with the Archivist of the United States. The National Archives is required to publish this information. This recordkeeping requirement applies until the President leaves office. The bill establishes criminal penalties for knowingly submitting false covered information with respect to a disclosure.

B. Amendments

The Chairman will offer an ANS.

Staff contacts: Lauren Hassett and Brandon Renz at (202) 225-5074.

II. H.R. 10133, TIMELY STOCK DISCLOSURE ACT:

A. Summary

The bill amends stock trading disclosure requirements for the President, Vice-President, Members of Congress, and senior government officials (e.g., political appointees, senior Congressional staff, federal employees at GS-15 or higher). The bill lowers the Periodic Transaction Reports (5 U.S.C. 13105(l)) timeline from 30 days and 45 days to 15 days and 30 days, respectively, for any transactions exceeding \$1,000 for "stocks, bonds, commodities futures, and other forms of securities." The reforms would go into effect 90 days after enactment.

B. Amendments

The Chairman will offer an ANS.

Staff contacts: Brnadon Renz at (202) 225-5074.

III. H.R. 10132, FEDERAL AGENCY PERFORMANCE ACT:

A. Summary

The bill provides additional transparency and accountability mechanisms to improve performance and program outcomes of federal agencies. This bill builds upon the Government Performance and Results Act Modernization Act of 2010 (GPRAMA) by requiring regular strategic reviews of each agency's performance goals and increasing the amount and quality of data posted on Performance.gov, which is the federal government's central website to track both agency-specific and government-wide performance. Additionally, the bill updates several other portions of GPRAMA to address Government Accountability Office (GAO) recommendations. This includes

requiring two or more government officials be designated as federal government priority goal leaders, improving capacity and expertise for agency Performance Improvement Officers, and ensuring agency performance goals are supported by evidence-building activities and the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) reports on progress made on priority performance goals every 4 years. The bill also eliminates unnecessary reporting obligations for the OMB, including an outdated twenty-year old pilot project for performance goals and performance budgeting.

B. Amendments

The Chairman will offer an ANS.

Staff contacts: Christian Hoehner, Lauren Hassett, and Jennifer Kamara at (202) 225-5074.

IV. H.R. ____, FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT RISK REDUCTION ACT:

A. Summary

The bill would improve single audit requirements—which current law requires for recipients of Federal financial assistance awards (e.g., grants) in excess of \$300,000 annually—and enhance oversight of federal funding. The bill requires a government-wide analysis of single audit quality and directs the development of analytic tools and strategies to identify cross-governmental risks to federal award funds. The bill also requires agencies to identify recipients who did not complete required audits and report biennially to Congress on these entities. Additionally, it requires an evaluation by the Comptroller General on the effectiveness of these new measures and their impact on auditors, audited entities, and federal agencies.

B. Amendments

The Chairman will offer an ANS.

Staff contacts: Christian Hoehner and Jennifer Kamara at (202) 225-5074.

V. H.R. 9040, TAXPAYER EXPOSURE RISK REDUCTION ACT:

A. **Summary**

The bill requires a government-wide review of transferring the financial risk of certain federal programs to the private sector insurance market in a transparent manner. This bill would direct covered agencies to develop and implement plans to transfer credit, guarantee, and insurance risk to the private sector (e.g., housing and student lending, crop insurance, etc.). The bill would also direct covered agencies to analyze the use of private sector capabilities, including estimated costs and efficiencies associated with such risk transfers, and publicly report findings.

B. Amendments

The Chairman will offer an ANS.

Staff contacts: Alan Brubaker and Brandon Renz at (202) 225-5074.

VI. H.R. 10134, NATURAL DISASTER RESILIENCE AND RECOVERY ACCOUNTABILITY ACT:

A. **Summary**

The bill requires the Office of Management and Budget to establish a commission to develop and offer reforms to improve the federal government's natural disaster resilience and recovery goals and efforts. The 15-member commission would be comprised of experts from across disciplines in the public and private sectors and levels of government. The Commission would consult with various federal entities before issuing a report outlining its findings and recommendations.

B. Amendments

The Chairman will offer an ANS.

Staff contacts: Brandon Renz and Christian Hoehner at (202) 225-5074.

VII. H.R. 10062, FREEDOM TO PETITION THE GOVERNMENT ACT:

A. Summary

The bill amends the D.C. Code to ensure meetings held in the District of Columbia between nonprofit organizations headquartered outside of the District and officials of the Federal Government are not considered as doing business in the District of Columbia for purposes of determining whether such organizations are required to register with the District of Columbia.

B. Amendments

The Chairman will offer an ANS.

Staff contacts: Ryan Giachetti at (202) 225-5074.

VIII. H.R. 8690, STOP SECRET SPENDING ACT:

A. Summary

This bill strengthens reporting under the Federal Funding and Transparency Act of 2006 (FFATA) (P.L. 109-282; 31 U.S.C. 6101 note)—as amended by the DATA Act of 2014 (P.L. 113-101)—by creating a new reporting requirement for agency Federal

spending information to reported under USAspending.gov to include other transaction agreement's (OTA), which are contract mechanisms not covered by the Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR) framework. The bill also requires annual reporting on previously unreported funds, including for national security (classified) or legislative or judicial branch spending. Information required for previously unreported funds include the total amount of unreported funds and the reasons for not reporting. The bill also reforms FFATA to ensure that all information posted on USAspending.gov is complete and accurate.

B. Amendments

The Chairman will offer an ANS.

Staff contacts: Christian Hoehner and Jennifer Kamara at (202) 225-5074.

IX. H.R. ____, MODERNIZING DATA PRACTICES TO IMPROVE GOVERNMENT ACT:

A. Summary

This bill extends the Chief Data Officer (CDO) Council—established by the OPEN Government Data Act (P.L. 115-435, Title III) in 2019—and updates the functions of the Council to support agencies in leveraging emerging technologies and artificial intelligence (AI) oversight. The bill adds a senior official for privacy as an ex officio member of the Council. Further, the bill requires the Council to report to Congress and the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) Director with recommendations and best practices for agencies to enable adoption, maintenance, use, and interoperability of AI and requires the Director to issue or update guidance, as appropriate, in response to Council recommendations.

B. Amendments

The Chairman will offer an ANS.

Staff contacts: Duncan Wright and Lauren Lombardo at (202) 225-5074.

X. H.R. 8706, DISMANTLE DEI ACT:

A. Summary

The bill takes a whole-of-government approach to eliminating authorizations and funding for government diversity, equity, and inclusion (DEI) programs. The bill establishes a new Title XII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 to prohibit conditioning employment on the acceptance of certain ideologies. The bill also directs the Office of Personnel Management to abolish all Federal DEI offices and requires the Office of Management and Budget to rescind all DEI regulations for the Federal workforce. The bill prohibits funds from being used for DEI training programs, hiring and contracting requirements (including in the military), and prohibits DEI as a factor in accreditation in

education. The bill also asserts an individuals' right to file a lawsuit if any provisions are violated.

B. Amendments

The Chairman will offer an ANS.

Staff contacts: Alan Brubaker, Christian Hoehner, and Daniel Flores at (202) 225-5074.

XI. H.R. 8753, TO DIRECT THE UNITED STATES POSTAL SERVICE TO DESIGNATE SINGLE, UNIQUE ZIP CODES FOR CERTAIN COMMUNITIES, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES:

A. Summary

The bill, as amended, requires the U.S. Postal Service to designate unique Zip Codes for the following communities: Eastvale, California; Castle Pines, Colorado; Centennial, Colorado; Lone Tree, Colorado; Silver Cliff, Colorado; Superior, Colorado; Goose Creek, Connecticut; Scotland, Connecticut; Estero, Florida; Ft. Myers, Florida; Hollywood, Florida; Miami Lakes, Florida; Ocoee, Florida; Oakland Park, Florida; The Villages, Florida; Burr Ridge, Illinois; Urbandale, Iowa; Carmel, Indiana; Swanzey, New Hampshire; Kinnelon, New Jersey; Flanders, New York; Glendale, New York; Riverside, New York; Northampton, New York; Sargent, Texas; Fairlawn, Virginia; Caledonia, Wisconsin; Franklin, Wisconsin; Mount Pleasant, Wisconsin; Somers, Wisconsin; Mills, Wyoming.

B. Amendments

The Chairman will offer an ANS.

Staff contacts: Lauren Hassett at (202) 225-5074.

XII. POSTAL NAMING MEASURES:

Staff contacts: Lauren Hassett at (202) 225-5074.

H.R. 9360 – To designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 300 Macedonia Lane in Knoxville, Tennessee, as the "Reverend Harold Middlebrook Post Office Building". – Rep. Tim Burchett (R-TN)

H.R. 9544 – To designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 340 South Loudon Avenue in Baltimore, Maryland, as the "United States Representative Elijah E. Cummings Post Office Building". – Rep. Kweisi Mfume (D-MD)

H.R. 9775 – To designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 119 North Anderson Street in Elwood, Indiana, as the "Officer Noah Jacob Shahnavaz Post Office Building". – Rep. Victoria Spartz (R-IN)

H.R. 10065 – To designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 802 North Tancahua Street in Corpus Christi, Texas, as the "Captain Robert E. 'Bob' Batterson Post Office". – Rep. Michael Cloud (R-TX)

XIII. 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 directly to GOP Oversight Clerks at GOP.Oversight.Clerks@mail.house.gov and Lauren Hassett at Lauren.Hassett@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.