

March 14, 2024

The Honorable Stephanie Bice Chairwoman Subcommittee on Modernization Committee on House Administration U.S. House of Representatives 1309 Longworth House Office Building Washington, DC 20515

## Dear Chairwoman Bice:

This is pursuant to your letter on March 6, 2024, inviting me to provide testimony before the Committee on House Administration's Subcommittee on Modernization at the hearing titled "Legislative Proposals to Support Modernizing the Congressional Research Service and the Use of Federal Data." This hearing is scheduled for Wednesday, March 20, 2024, at 10:30 a.m. in Room 1310 in the Longworth House Office Building.

Congressional guidelines on objectivity and non-partisanship require that our staff confine their testimony to technical, professional, and non-advocative aspects of the matters under consideration, and limit themselves to questions within their fields of expertise. With the understanding that my testimony will be prepared and delivered on behalf of the Congressional Research Service in accordance with the principles and limitations described above, I am pleased to testify next week. I have also attached my written testimony, truth in testimony form, and biography to this letter.

I appreciate the opportunity to be of service and hope that you will continue to call upon CRS in the future.

Sincerely,

Robert Randolph Newlen

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