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Statement of the Honorable Candice Miller (R-MI)

Chairman, Committee on House Administration

Hearing on the "Committee Funding for the 114th Congress"

February 4, 2015

Members of the Committee, I am pleased to present the budget request for the 114th Congress for the Committee on House Administration.

This request was developed in consultation with Ranking Minority Member Brady and I thank him for his support. In keeping with long-standing practice of the Committee, the Minority will receive 1/3 of our Committee's operating budget and staff slots.

I respectfully request \$9,293,130 for the 114th Congress, which reflects funding at a freeze-level for both 2015 and 2016 at the 2014 authorized amount of \$4,646,565.

Our Committee anticipates a demanding agenda this Congress. As part of our Member service focus, we will initiate an aggressive outreach and training program for Member and Committee Offices and will explore methods to streamline office operations, such as the committee hearing publication initiative, which can save the House time and money. In addition, we will continue to address critical Capitol Security issues and conduct vigorous oversight of House administrative operations and federal elections. The request includes funding to support travel for contested elections in 2016 and the implementation of the New Member Orientation program for the 115th Congress.

I believe the freeze-level funding we are requesting will enable the Committee to adequately fulfill these important responsibilities in a fiscally prudent manner.