Chairman of House Subcommittee on Elections Even More Committed to Eliminating EAC After Oversight Hearing Highlighted Commission's Limited Utility and Questionable Employment Practices

WASHINGTON – Today, Subcommittee on Elections Chairman Gregg Harper, R-Miss., issued the following statement after an oversight hearing on the Elections Assistance Commission (EAC) clearly demonstrated that the Commission has outlived its usefulness:

"*What my colleagues and I heard again today was further confirmation that we need to eliminate the EAC, which has clearly served its purpose and is no longer essential to the administration of our elections.*

 "Today we heard first-hand accounts of the EAC's bloated budget, ever-growing staff, shrinking responsibilities, discriminatory hiring practices, as well as, shocking as it sounds in our current fiscal situation, how it still finds a way to spend more money on management than it does on its actual programs. This is why I have introduced legislation to eliminate the Commission and transfer its remaining responsibilities and its authority to more appropriate and competent entities."