Chairman of House Subcommittee on Elections Urges States to Review Voter Registration Processes After Colorado Secretary of State Reported 12,000 Non-Citizens Registered to Vote in 2010 and 5,000 Likely Voted

WASHINGTON – Today, Subcommittee on Elections Chairman Gregg Harper, R-Miss., issued the following statement after a Subcommittee hearing focused on a shocking report on non-citizen voting in Colorado:

"This report is a disturbing wake-up call for election administrators across the country and cause for every state to review their current registration processes and safeguards designed to prevent illegal voting.

"Congress often focuses on increasing access to voter registration – making it easier for everyone to participate in elections. And that is a goal that we must continuously pursue; however, we must also ensure that easing access to voter registration isn't also, inadvertently, increasing vulnerabilities to voter fraud.

"We simply cannot have an electoral system that allows thousands of non-citizens to violate the law and vote in our elections. We must do more to protect the integrity of our electoral processes."