

Congress of the United States
House of Representatives

COMMITTEE ON SCIENCE, SPACE, AND TECHNOLOGY

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March 12, 2015

The Honorable Candice Miller
Committee on House Administration
U.S. House of Representatives
1309 Longworth HOB
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Chairman Miller,

In accordance with the regulations of the Committee on House Administration, I am submitting herewith the monthly report of the Committee on Science, Space, and Technology for February 2015, including the following:

- A summary of specific programs and investigations;
- A statement of expenses and fund balance;
- A statement of authorized Committee travel expenses, and
- A listing of Committee employees showing their titles and gross monthly salaries.

This letter also certifies that copies of this report are available to each Member of the Committee.

Sincerely,



Lamar Smith
Chairman

MONTHLY REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON SCIENCE, SPACE, AND TECHNOLOGY February 2015

FULL COMMITTEE:

Hearings and Mark-ups

February 25, 2015

Convened a Full Committee hearing, *An Overview of the Budget Proposal for the Department of Energy for Fiscal Year 2016*.

Convened a Full Committee markup of H.R. 1029, the EPA Science Advisory Board Reform Act of 2015 and H.R. 1030, Secret Science Reform Act of 2015.

SUBCOMMITTEE ON ENERGY:

Hearings and Mark-ups

No hearings or mark-ups were held in the Energy Subcommittee during the month of February 2015.

SUBCOMMITTEE ON ENVIRONMENT:

Hearings and Mark-ups

February 12, 2015

Convened a joint Environment Subcommittee and Oversight Subcommittee Hearing, *Bridging the Gap: America's Weather Satellites and Weather Forecasting*.

SUBCOMMITTEE ON OVERSIGHT:

Hearings and Mark-ups

February 3, 2015

Convened a joint Oversight Subcommittee and Research and Technology Subcommittee Hearing, *NSF's Oversight of the NEON Project and Other Major Research Facilities Developed Under Cooperative Agreements*.

February 12, 2015

Convened a joint Environment Subcommittee and Oversight Subcommittee Hearing, *Bridging the Gap: America's Weather Satellites and Weather Forecasting*.

Convened a joint Research and Technology Subcommittee and Oversight Subcommittee Hearing, *Can Americans Trust the Privacy and Security of their Information on HealthCare.gov?*

SUBCOMMITTEE ON RESEARCH AND TECHNOLOGY:

Hearings and Mark-ups

February 3, 2015

Convened a joint Oversight Subcommittee and Research and Technology Subcommittee Hearing, *NSF's Oversight of the NEON Project and Other Major Research Facilities Developed Under Cooperative Agreements.*

February 12, 2015

Convened a joint Research and Technology Subcommittee and Oversight Subcommittee Hearing, *Can Americans Trust the Privacy and Security of their Information on HealthCare.gov?*

February 26, 2015

Convened a Research and Technology Subcommittee Hearing, *An Overview of the Budget Proposals for the National Science Foundation and National Institute of Standards and Technology for Fiscal Year 2016.*

SUBCOMMITTEE ON SPACE:

Hearings and Mark-ups

February 27, 2015

Convened a Space Subcommittee Hearing, *The Commercial Crew Program: Challenges and Opportunities.*

OTHER ACTIVITIES

FULL COMMITTEE:

February 2, 2015

H. Res. 67, expressing support for designation of February 12, 2015, as "Darwin Day" and recognizing the importance of science in the betterment of humanity, introduced by Rep. James Hines and referred to the House Committee on Science, Space, and Technology.

February 5, 2015

H.R. 773, Transform Education in America through Choice Act of 2015, introduced by Rep. Ted Yoho and referred to the House Committee on Science, Space, and Technology.

February 9, 2015

H.R. 810, National Aeronautics and Space Administration Authorization Act of 2015, introduced by Rep. Steven Palazzo and referred to the House Committee on Science, Space, and Technology.

Executive Communication No. 371, Letter from Chair, Aerospace Safety Advisory Panel, National Aeronautics and Space Administration, transmitting the Panel's Annual Report for 2014, pursuant to Pub. L. 109-155, { 106(b).

February 10, 2015

H.R. 810, National Aeronautics and Space Administration Authorization Act of 2015, introduced by Rep. Steven Palazzo and referred to the House Committee on Science, Space, and Technology, passed the House of Representatives by a voice vote.

H.R. 831, Supporting Afterschool STEM Act, introduced by Rep. Joaquin Castro and referred to the House Committee on Science, Space, and Technology.

February 11, 2015

H.R. 874, American Super Computing Leadership Act, introduced by Rep. Randy Hultgren and referred to the House Committee on Science, Space, and Technology.

February 13, 2015

H.R. 962, Startup Act, introduced by Rep. Robert Dold and referred to the House Committee on Science, Space, and Technology.

February 20, 2015

H.Res.119, supporting the goals and ideals of Engineers Week, introduced by Rep. Daniel Lipinski and referred to the House Committee on Science, Space, and Technology.

H.R. 1020, STEM Education Act of 2015, introduced by Rep. Lamar Smith and referred to the House Committee on Science, Space, and Technology.

February 24, 2015

H.R. 1029, the EPA Science Advisory Board Reform Act of 2015, introduced by Rep. Frank Lucas and referred to the House Committee on Science, Space, and Technology.

H.R. 1030, Secret Science Reform Act of 2015, introduced by Rep. Lamar Smith and referred to the House Committee on Science, Space, and Technology.

February 25, 2015

H.R. 1020, STEM Education Act of 2015, introduced by Rep. Lamar Smith and referred to the House Committee on Science, Space, and Technology, passed the House of Representatives by a vote of 412 to 8.

H.R. 1029, the EPA Science Advisory Board Reform Act of 2015, introduced by Rep. Frank Lucas and referred to the House Committee on Science, Space, and Technology, was voted out of Committee as amended and ordered reported to the House.

H.R. 1030, Secret Science Reform Act of 2015, introduced by Rep. Lamar Smith and referred to the House Committee on Science, Space, and Technology, was voted out of Committee as amended and ordered reported to the House.

February 26, 2015

H.R. 1119, to Research and Development Efficiency Act, introduced by Rep. Barbara Comstock and referred to the House Committee on Science, Space, and Technology.

February 27, 2015

H.R. 1156, International Science and Technology Cooperation Act of 2015, introduced by Rep. Daniel Lipinski and referred to the House Committee on Science, Space, and Technology.

H.R. 1158, Department of Energy Laboratory Modernization and Technology Transfer Act of 2015, introduced by Rep. Randy Hultgren and referred to the House Committee on Science, Space, and Technology.

H.R.1162, Science Prize Competitions Act, introduced by Rep. Donald Beyer and referred to the House Science, Space, and Technology Committee.

SUBCOMMITTEE ON ENERGY:

No bills or resolutions were referred to the Subcommittee on Energy during February 2015.

SUBCOMMITTEE ON ENVIRONMENT:

No bills or resolutions were referred to the Subcommittee on Environment during February 2015.

SUBCOMMITTEE ON OVERSIGHT:

No bills or resolutions were referred to the Subcommittee on Oversight during February 2015.

SUBCOMMITTEE ON RESEARCH AND TECHNOLOGY:

No bills or resolutions were referred to the Subcommittee on Research and Technology during February 2015.

SUBCOMMITTEE ON SPACE:

No bills or resolutions were referred to the Subcommittee on Space during February 2015.

U.S. House of Representatives
Committee on Science, Space, and Technology
Monthly Statement by Paid Date
114-1 February

Description	February	YTD Including February	Cumulative Total
Non Statutory Compensation	\$375,097.92	\$707,577.92	\$707,577.92
11 Personnel Compensation subtotal	\$375,097.92	\$707,577.92	\$707,577.92
DC Telecommunication Equipment	\$312.00	\$312.00	\$312.00
DC Telecommunication Services	\$596.75	\$596.75	\$596.75
DC Telecommunication Tolls	\$1,862.40	\$1,862.40	\$1,862.40
Postage/Courier/Box Rental	\$1.15	\$1.15	\$1.15
23 Rent, Communications, and Utilities subtotal	\$2,772.30	\$2,772.30	\$2,772.30
Printing & Reproduction	\$237.50	\$237.50	\$237.50
24 Printing and Reproduction subtotal	\$237.50	\$237.50	\$237.50
Technology Service Contracts	\$3,500.00	\$7,000.00	\$7,000.00
25 Other Services subtotal	\$3,500.00	\$7,000.00	\$7,000.00
Bottled Water	\$38.43	\$76.86	\$76.86
Office Supplies (Outside)	\$139.63	\$139.63	\$139.63
Office Supplies (Transfer)	-\$636.80	\$911.52	\$911.52
Publications/Reference Material	\$227.20	\$227.20	\$227.20
26 Supplies and Materials subtotal	-\$231.54	\$1,355.21	\$1,355.21
Maintenance / Repairs	\$1,361.99	\$2,731.48	\$2,731.48
31 Equipment subtotal	\$1,361.99	\$2,731.48	\$2,731.48
Total Expenses	\$382,738.17	\$721,674.41	\$721,674.41

3/12/2015

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Fund Balance Statement by Paid Date
February

Total Authorization	
114-1	\$960,404.76
Less Expenses for:	
January, 2015	\$338,936.24
February, 2015	\$382,738.17
Total Expenses to Date:	\$721,674.41
Unexpended Authorization	\$238,730.35

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Monthly Statement by Paid Date
114-1 February

Description	February	YTD Including February	Cumulative Total
Franked Mail	\$45.57	\$45.57	\$45.57
FM Franking subtotal	\$45.57	\$45.57	\$45.57
Total Expenses	\$45.57	\$45.57	\$45.57

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Fund Balance Statement by Paid Date
February

Total Authorization	
114-1	\$900.00
Less Expenses for:	
February, 2015	\$45.57
Total Expenses to Date:	\$45.57
Unexpended Authorization	\$854.43

Committee on Science, Space, and Technology
Payroll Information for Monthly Committee Report

Fiscal Year:	2015
Month Paid:	February-15
Type	(Multiple Items)

Name	Title	Gross Monthly Compensation
Andres, Don	Shared Employee	\$2,500.00
Bharwani, Rajesh D.	Deputy Staff Director	\$9,166.67
Blume, Michael	Intern	\$600.00
Boyl, Molly	Gen. Counsel & Parliamentarian	\$10,000.00
Brown, Jennifer Y.	Chief of Staff	\$10,781.25
Carrigan, Alisa	Intern	\$400.00
Corcoran, Brian	Policy Assistant	\$3,625.00
Crist, Laura	Press Secretary	\$2,916.67
Danford, James Brian	Speech Writer	\$5,777.77
Domenech, Emily	Professional Staff	\$7,500.00
Doyle, Timothy	Staff Director	\$11,666.67
Duncan, Kirsten M.	Professional Staff	\$7,083.33
Echols, Lamar	Professional Staff	\$6,444.44
English, Jonlyn Bristol	Professional Staff	\$4,333.33
Florida, Joseph	Staff/Press Assistant	\$2,916.67
Follett, Andrew	Intern	\$700.00
Frost, Lana A.	Oversight Counsel/Policy Asst.	\$5,416.67
Gallo, Marcy E.	Staff Director	\$9,166.67
Grady, Sarah	Professional Staff	\$6,250.00
Green, Ryan	Intern	\$1,000.00
Gurley, Emily Hollis	Finance Assistant	\$250.00
Hammond, Tom J.	Staff Director	\$11,666.67
Harris, Amber E.	Finance Assistant	\$1,000.00
Jones, Rachel	Professional Staff	\$7,500.00
Jordan, Taylor R.	Professional Staff	\$5,416.67
Kopshever, Kristin N	Administrative Assistant	\$5,833.33
Kurz, Zachary S.	Communications Director	\$10,000.00
Li, Allen	Professional Staff	\$7,291.67
Marin, Mark	Staff Director	\$13,750.00
McDonald, Thea	Executive Assistant / Press Assistant	\$2,333.33
Montgomery, Kimberly	Professional Staff	\$5,666.67
Norman, Russell Evan	Deputy Chief Counsel	\$7,583.33
Obermann, Richard M.	Chief of Staff	\$13,750.00
O'Leary, Christopher J.	Professional Staff	\$4,166.67
Pasternak, Douglas S.	Professional Staff	\$9,458.33
Pearson, Daniel R.	Professional Staff	\$11,541.67
Piazza, John L.	Chief Counsel	\$11,833.33
Rice, Christian	Staff Assistant	\$4,166.67
Rosenberg, Adam	Staff Director	\$8,625.00
Rose-Sonnesyn, Allison J.	Professional Staff	\$6,666.67
Ross, John E.	Finance Director	\$450.00
Shank, Christopher M.	Policy Director	\$13,750.00
Shannon, Cliff	Staff Director	\$13,333.33
Smith, Ashley	Senior Counsel & Chief Clerk	\$11,666.67
Sokolov, Dahlia L.	Staff Director	\$11,000.00
Stoika, Michelle	Policy Assistant	\$1,111.11
Stout, Jared	Professional Staff	\$6,250.00
Vinyard, Ashlee	Shared Employee	\$2,333.33
Wandel, Bryan Paul	Finance Assistant	\$1,000.00

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Name	Title	Gross Monthly Compensation
Weerasinghe, Pamitha D.	Professional Staff	\$4,166.67
Weston, Aaron	Counsel	\$6,250.00
Whitney, Pamela L.	Professional Staff	\$8,958.33
Whittaker, Larry W.	Shared Employee	\$3,750.00
Wickre, Jennifer	Professional Staff	\$7,500.00
Wright, Sangina Q.	Deputy Clerk	\$5,000.00
Wydler, Christopher	Senior Advisor to the Chairman	\$14,333.33
Yamada, Richard	Professional Staff	\$7,500.00
Grand Total		\$375,097.92

REPORT OF TRAVEL PERFORMED
 Committee on Science, Space, and Technology
 114th Congress, 1st Session
 February 2015**

Traveler	Dates of Travel		Purpose	Itinerary	Reimbursement Claimed		
	From	To			Trans.	Per Diem	Other Travel

**There was no travel performed by the Committee during the month of February 2015.