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The Honorable Zoe Lofgren  
Chairperson  
Committee on House Administration  
1309 Longworth House Office Building  
Washington, DC 20515

The Honorable Rodney Davis  
Ranking Member  
Committee on House Administration  
1216 Longworth House Office Building  
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Chairperson Lofgren and Ranking Member Davis,

As required by Section 504 of House Resolution 756 from the 116th Congress, agreed to by the House on March 10, 2020, I am submitting this quarterly report about establishing and maintaining a database of votes taken in Committees.

Since the last quarterly report, my staff in the Legislative Computer Systems (LCS) division have continued their discussions on this matter and on other items that impact Committee operations, such as

- Making improvements with regards to accessing Committee information on Congress.gov to include transcripts, videos, votes, and legislative text, and
- Creating functionality in the Committee Repository that will allow staff to avoid double-booking Members in Committee meetings held at the same time and other enhancements.

Some of these discussions have included the staff from the Select Committee on the Modernization of Congress, the Government Publishing Office, and the Chief Administrative Officer. As a result, LCS staff are exploring procurement options in a form of an RFI (request for information) for a portion of the work, which may result in a proposed project plan.

As mentioned in the last report, the items above remain on my office's backlog of modernization projects. My staff and I are aware of the need to improve the systems and procedures Committee clerks use and to streamline the dissemination of Committee information to the public. Per our initial report, we strive to build solutions that are based on human-centered design (HCD) principles and that have input and buy-in from staff across Committees.<sup>1</sup>

Should the Committee wish to discuss these matters in more detail, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Cheryl L. Johnson" with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

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<sup>1</sup> [https://cha.house.gov/sites/democrats.cha.house.gov/files/InitialReport\\_HRes756\\_Section%20504\\_VotesTakenInCommittee.pdf](https://cha.house.gov/sites/democrats.cha.house.gov/files/InitialReport_HRes756_Section%20504_VotesTakenInCommittee.pdf).