

Congress of the United States
House of Representatives

COMMITTEE ON SCIENCE, SPACE, AND TECHNOLOGY

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The Honorable Gregg Harper
Committee on House Administration
U.S. House of Representatives
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COMMITTEE ON SCIENCE, SPACE, AND TECHNOLOGY

Dear Chairman Harper,

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 December 2017, 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 December 2017

FULL COMMITTEE:

Hearings and Mark-ups

No Full Committee hearings or mark-ups were held during December 2017.

SUBCOMMITTEE ON ENERGY:

Hearings and Mark-ups

December 13, 2017

Convened an Energy Subcommittee Hearing, *Advancing Solar Energy Technology: Research Trumps Deployment*.

SUBCOMMITTEE ON ENVIRONMENT:

Hearings and Mark-ups

No Environment Subcommittee hearings or mark-ups were held during December 2017.

SUBCOMMITTEE ON OVERSIGHT:

Hearings and Mark-ups

No Oversight Subcommittee hearings or mark-ups were held during December 2017.

SUBCOMMITTEE ON RESEARCH AND TECHNOLOGY:

Hearings and Mark-ups

December 6, 2017

Convened a Research and Technology Subcommittee Hearing, *From Lab to Market: A Review of NSF Innovation Corps*.

December 13, 2017

Convened a Research and Technology Subcommittee Hearing, *Head Health Challenge: Preventing Head Trauma from Football Field to Shop Floor to Battlefield*.

SUBCOMMITTEE ON SPACE:

Hearings and Mark-ups

December 6, 2017

Convened a Space Subcommittee Hearing, *NASA's Next Four Large Telescopes*.

OTHER ACTIVITIES

FULL COMMITTEE:

December 7, 2017

H.R. 4586, Geoengineering Research Education Act of 2017, was introduced by Rep. Jerry McNerney and referred to the Committee on Science, Space, and Technology.

H.R. 4596, Cooperative Research and Development Fund Authorization Act of 2017, was introduced by Rep. Ben Ray Lujan and referred to the Committee on Science, Space, and Technology.

December 11, 2017

Executive Communication No. 3361, Letter from Secretary, Department of Energy, transmitting the Department's Fiscal Year 2016 Methane Hydrate Program Report to Congress, pursuant to the Methane Hydrate Research and Development Act of 2000, as amended by Sec. 968 of the Energy Policy Act of 2005.

December 12, 2017

H.R.4625, Fundamentally Understanding the Usability and Realistic Evolution of Artificial Intelligence Act of 2017, was introduced by Rep. John Delaney and referred to the Committee on Science, Space, and Technology.

December 13, 2017

H.R. 4640, National Centers of Excellence in Coastal Flood Research Education Act, was introduced by Rep. Scott Taylor and referred to the Committee on Science, Space, and Technology.

December 15, 2017

H.R. 4661, United States Fire Administration, AFT, and SAFER Program Reauthorization Act of 2017, was introduced by Rep. Barbara Comstock and referred to the Committee on Science, Space, and Technology.

December 18, 2017

H.R. 4375, STEM Research and Education Effectiveness and Transparency Act, introduced by Rep. Barbara Comstock and referred to the Committee on Science, Space, and Technology, passed the House on a motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill by a vote of 376 to 9.

H.R. 4661, United States Fire Administration, AFT, and SAFER Program Reauthorization Act of 2017, introduced by Rep. Barbara Comstock and referred to the Committee on Science, Space, and Technology, was passed by the House on motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill by voice vote.

H.R. 4672, Next Generation 9-1-1 Act of 2017, was introduced by Rep. Anna Eshoo and referred to the Committee on Science, Space, and Technology.

H.R. 4675, Low-Dose Radiation Research Act of 2017, was introduced by Rep. Roger Marshall and referred to the Committee on Science, Space, and Technology.

December 19, 2017

H.R. 4254, Women in Aerospace Education Act, introduced by Rep. Stephen Knight and referred to the Committee on Science, Space, and Technology, passed the House on a motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill by a vote of 409 to 17.

H.R. 4323, Supporting Veterans in STEM Careers Act, introduced by Rep. Neal P. Dunn and referred to the Committee on Science, Space, and Technology, passed the House on a motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill by a vote of 420 to 1.

December 20, 2017

H.R. 4700, IMPACT for Energy Act, was introduced by Rep. Ben Ray Lujan and referred to the Committee on Science, Space, and Technology.

December 21, 2017

H.R. 4661, United States Fire Administration, AFT, and SAFER Program Reauthorization Act of 2017, introduced by Rep. Barbara Comstock and referred to the Committee on Science, Space, and Technology, passed the Senate without amendment by Unanimous Consent.

SUBCOMMITTEE ON ENERGY:

No bills or resolutions were referred to the Subcommittee on Energy during December 2017.

SUBCOMMITTEE ON ENVIRONMENT:

No bills or resolutions were referred to the Subcommittee on Environment during December 2017.

SUBCOMMITTEE ON OVERSIGHT:

No bills or resolutions were referred to the Subcommittee on Oversight during December 2017.

SUBCOMMITTEE ON RESEARCH AND TECHNOLOGY:

No bills or resolutions were referred to the Subcommittee on Research and Technology during December 2017.

SUBCOMMITTEE ON SPACE:

No bills or resolutions were referred to the Subcommittee on Space during December 2017.

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Committee on Science, Space, and Technology
Monthly Statement by Paid Date
115-1 December

Description	December	YTD Including December	Cumulative Total
Non Statutory Compensation	\$489,583.08	\$4,783,845.81	\$4,783,845.81
Accrued Leave	\$0.00	\$7,376.39	\$7,376.39
11 Personnel Compensation subtotal	\$489,583.08	\$4,791,222.20	\$4,791,222.20
Commercial Transportation	\$0.00	\$3,132.22	\$3,132.22
Lodging	\$0.00	\$375.13	\$375.13
Meals	\$0.00	\$666.46	\$666.46
Car Rental	\$0.00	\$1,875.00	\$1,875.00
Taxi/Parking/Tolls	\$76.84	\$392.33	\$392.33
Witness Travel/Related Exp.	\$0.00	\$1,442.94	\$1,442.94
21 Travel subtotal	\$76.84	\$7,884.08	\$7,884.08
DC Telecommunication Equipment	\$324.00	\$3,778.00	\$3,778.00
DC Telecommunication Services	\$643.25	\$6,959.50	\$6,959.50
DC Telecommunication Tolls	\$2,140.58	\$26,129.50	\$26,129.50
HIR Graphics	\$0.00	\$70.00	\$70.00
Postage/Courier/Box Rental	\$0.00	\$41.90	\$41.90
23 Rent, Communications, and Utilities subtotal	\$3,107.83	\$36,978.90	\$36,978.90
Printing & Reproduction	\$80.00	\$4,116.66	\$4,116.66
Photographic (Transfer)	\$0.00	\$866.30	\$866.30
Reproduction of Fed/Public Law	\$0.00	\$1,230.00	\$1,230.00
24 Printing and Reproduction subtotal	\$80.00	\$6,212.96	\$6,212.96
Laundry Services	\$104.95	\$753.89	\$753.89
Representational Expenses	\$1,075.75	\$1,278.50	\$1,278.50
Technology Service Contracts	\$3,500.00	\$42,415.29	\$42,415.29
25 Other Services subtotal	\$4,680.70	\$44,447.68	\$44,447.68
Bottled Water	\$229.69	\$3,414.18	\$3,414.18
Food & Beverage	\$779.45	\$2,820.98	\$2,820.98
Framing (Transfer)	\$0.00	\$2,000.00	\$2,000.00
Habitation Expense	\$0.00	\$993.20	\$993.20
Office Supplies (Outside)	\$1,678.57	\$10,057.56	\$10,057.56
Office Supplies (Transfer)	\$3,804.12	\$9,527.35	\$9,527.35
Computer Software <\$500	\$29.99	\$5,318.09	\$5,318.09
Publications/Reference Material	\$1,481.97	\$5,907.35	\$5,907.35
26 Supplies and Materials subtotal	\$8,003.79	\$40,038.71	\$40,038.71
Comp. Hardware Purch. < \$25,000	\$0.00	\$914.00	\$914.00
Comp. Software Purch. < \$10,000	\$0.00	\$3,326.82	\$3,326.82
Maintenance / Repairs	\$1,398.01	\$22,936.95	\$22,936.95
Warranties	\$0.00	\$99.00	\$99.00
31 Equipment subtotal	\$1,398.01	\$27,276.77	\$27,276.77
Total Expenses	\$506,930.25	\$4,954,061.30	\$4,954,061.30

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Fund Balance Statement by Paid Date
December

Total Authorization	
115-1	\$5,484,978.00
Less Expenses for:	
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January, 2017	\$352,727.39
February, 2017	\$394,148.61
March, 2017	\$381,964.78
April, 2017	\$376,282.14
May, 2017	\$386,988.89
June, 2017	\$398,912.38
July, 2017	\$381,631.74
August, 2017	\$386,016.32
September, 2017	\$408,821.25
October, 2017	\$437,674.47
November, 2017	\$541,963.08
December, 2017	\$506,930.25
Total Expenses to Date:	\$4,954,061.30
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Unexpended Authorization	\$530,916.70

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Monthly Statement by Paid Date
115-1 December

Description	December	YTD Including December	Cumulative Total
Franked Mail	\$77.16	\$489.06	\$489.06
FM Franking subtotal	\$77.16	\$489.06	\$489.06
Total Expenses	\$77.16	\$489.06	\$489.06

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Fund Balance Statement by Paid Date
December

Total Authorization	
115-1	\$5,000.00
Less Expenses for:	
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February, 2017	\$15.82
March, 2017	\$20.16
April, 2017	\$58.93
June, 2017	\$52.73
July, 2017	\$44.10
August, 2017	\$80.42
September, 2017	\$32.97
October, 2017	\$42.78
November, 2017	\$63.99
December, 2017	\$77.16
Total Expenses to Date:	\$489.06
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Unexpended Authorization	\$4,510.94

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

Fiscal Year	2017
Month Paid	December-17
Type	(Multiple Items)

Name	Title	Gross Monthly Compensation
Anderson, Catherine	Staff Assistant	\$2,500.00
Andres, Don	(blank)	(\$779.16)
Barber, Sara	Professional Staff	\$4,333.33
Beavin, Michael	Professional Staff	\$10,833.33
Bharwani, Rajesh D.	Deputy Staff Director	\$14,016.67
Brazauskas, Joseph	Staff Director	\$13,166.67
Callen, Ashley	Chief Counsel for Investigations/Staff Dir.	\$14,034.25
Carpenter, Matthew	Intern	\$133.33
Colliatie, Drew	Professional Staff	\$12,875.00
Connally, Thomas	Counsel	\$7,750.00
Domenech, Emily	Staff Director	\$13,166.67
Dziadon, Daniel	Policy Assistant	\$3,750.00
English, Jonlyn Bristol	Professional Staff	\$5,166.67
Eskandani, Rebekah	Press Secretary/Digital Media Coord.	\$3,000.00
Faith, G. Ryan	Professional Staff	\$10,250.00
Finke, Gina	Executive Assistant	\$11,333.33
Flarida, Joseph	Professional Staff	\$3,916.67
Fromm, Sharon Molly (Boyl)	Gen. Counsel & Parliamentarian	\$14,000.00
Grigoryan, Juliya	Counsel	\$9,250.00
Gurley, Emily Hollis	Finance Assistant	\$750.00
Hall, Steven "Troy"	Intern	\$366.67
Hammond, Tom J.	Staff Director	\$13,916.67
Hooghan, Priyanka	Professional Staff	\$4,333.33
Johnson, Catherine "Cate"	Professional Staff	\$6,375.00
Johnson, Stanton R.	Professional Staff	\$5,166.67
Jordan, Taylor R.	Professional Staff	\$13,150.00
Kaprelian, Lydia	Intern	\$133.33
Kassel, Chase	Policy Asst. & Member Svcs Coord.	\$9,583.33
Kopshever, Kristin N	Admin. & Comm. Director	\$7,833.33
Larson, Bess	Policy Assistant	\$6,750.00
Li, Allen	Senior Professional Staff	\$7,625.00
Loyd, Weston	Press Assistant	\$5,000.00
Marin, Mark	Chief of Staff	\$14,375.00
McDonald, Thea	Communications Director	\$13,083.33
Micheletti, Tyler	Intern	\$300.00
Norman, Russell Evan	Deputy Chief Counsel	\$7,916.67
Norwood, Charles	Intern	\$333.33
Obermann, Richard M.	Chief of Staff	\$14,224.66
O'Brien, Hillary	Professional Staff	\$7,750.00
Palasits, Sara	Research Assistant	\$2,750.00
Pasternak, Douglas S.	Staff Director	\$13,000.00
Philp, Curtis	Shared Employee	\$9,034.25
Piazza, John L.	Chief Counsel	\$14,224.66
Rankin, Charles "Duncan"	Professional Staff	\$4,583.33
Ratliff, Sara	Policy Assistant	\$5,333.33
Roos, Amber Harris	Finance Assistant	\$3,350.00
Rosenberg, Adam	Staff Director	\$12,541.67
Ross, John E.	Finance Director	\$725.00

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Payroll Information for Monthly Committee Report

Name	Title	Gross Monthly Compensation
Shannon, Cliff	Staff Director	\$14,166.67
Smith, Ashley	Deputy Chief of Staff & Senior Counsel	\$14,034.25
Sokolov, Dahlia L.	Staff Director	\$13,583.33
Traynham, Benjamin	Counsel	\$9,416.67
VerVelde, Brandon	Press Secretary	\$5,416.67
Vinyard, Ashlee	Shared Employee	\$4,659.25
Voyles, Travis	Professional Staff	\$7,750.00
Wandel, Bryan Paul	Finance Assistant	\$750.00
Ward, Jimmy	Professional Staff	\$8,166.67
Weerasinghe, Pamitha D.	Professional Staff	\$5,000.00
Whitney, Pamela L.	Senior Professional Staff	\$10,366.67
Whittaker, Larry W.	Shared Employee	\$5,700.92
Wickre, Jennifer	Professional Staff	\$14,033.33
Wright, Sangina Q.	Senior Publications Editor	\$5,000.00
Wydler, Christopher	Deputy Chief of Staff & Senior Advisor	\$14,333.33
Grand Total		\$489,583.08

REPORT OF TRAVEL PERFORMED
 Committee on Science, Space, and Technology
 115th Congress, 1st Session
 December 2017**

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

**There was no travel performed by the Committee during the month of December 2017.