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The Honorable Bryan Steil
Chairman
Committee on House Administration
1309 Longworth House Office Building
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The Honorable Joe Morelle
Ranking Member
Committee on House Administration
1216 Longworth House Office Building
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Dear Chairman Steil and Ranking Member Morelle,

Pursuant to Section 504 of House Resolution 756 from the 116th Congress, and with the concurrence of the Committee on House Administration (CHA), I am submitting this report on efforts to improve the technology and operational tools available to House Committees, including the establishment and maintenance of a database of votes taken in Committees.

Committee Voting Module and Centralized Committee Portal

The Legislative Computer Systems division of our office continues to enhance Committee operations through the development of the Committee Activity Portal (CPortal). CPortal will provide Committees with centralized tools to manage, track, and publish Committee information through three modules:

- Committee Vote Module: a tool for viewing and managing Committee votes as data. Key features include the ability to add, edit, sort, publish, and export Committee vote data.
- Committee Referral Module: a tool for tracking Committee and Subcommittee referrals. Key features include the ability to view, sort, and export Committee referral data.
- Committee Roster Module: a tool for managing Member names and rank order for Committees. This data is used to populate official Committee tally sheets.

During the 119th Congress, Clerk staff initiated a pilot of the Committee Referral Module with a group of House Committees. Participating Committees have been invited to demonstrations and feedback sessions to evaluate the module's functionality and identify opportunities for improvement. This feedback is being used to deploy enhancements to the Committee Referral Module, including requests to filter referrals based on the availability of bill text, distinguish between primary and secondary Committee referrals, display Senate sponsors, and export referral records.

The following Committees participated in these pilot group sessions: Agriculture, Armed Services, Budget, Education and Workforce, Financial Services, Foreign Affairs, Homeland Security, Judiciary, Natural Resources, Oversight and Government Reform, Science, Space and Technology, Small Business, Transportation, Veterans' Affairs, and Ways and Means.

Development and discovery activities continue for the Committee Voting and Committee Roster Modules. We anticipate further engagement with the Committees and CHA to explore opportunities to standardize Committee voting information and tally sheet formats.

Committee Meeting Management and Operations Modernization

In 2026 we partnered with CHA to launch a proof-of-concept project evaluating a commercial platform for Committee operations. The evaluation, which includes participation from three House Committees, began in fall 2026 and is expected to continue through June 2027.

The project is intended to assess the platform's ability to support Committee meeting management, facilitate compliance with House Rules through integration with the Committee Repository, streamline administrative workflows, improve consistency across Committee processes and documents generated, and reduce manual effort associated with Committee operations.

The evaluation will also help identify House-specific requirements, assess opportunities for greater standardization, and determine whether capabilities currently planned for or under consideration within the CPortal could instead be delivered through the commercial platform for Committee operations. The results will inform future decisions regarding the platform's suitability for broader use by House Committees.

Committee Repository and Information Sharing

The Committee Repository continues to serve as the authoritative source of Committee scheduling and meeting information shared across House systems and legislative branch partners, including the Chief Administrative Officer's Deconflict Committee Scheduler, HouseCal, and the Library of Congress's Congress.gov. Building on collaboration during the reporting period, staff will continue working to improve the quality, timeliness, and accessibility of Committee information across congressional systems while exploring opportunities to modernize and streamline the underlying processes.

Finally, unless otherwise directed, we will submit the next report on Committee votes and related Committee functions on or before July 15, 2027. If you or others on the Committee have questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

Kevin F. McCumber
Clerk of the House

cc: The Honorable David Valadao, Chairman, Legislative Branch Appropriations Subcommittee
The Honorable Adriano Espaillat, Ranking Member, Legislative Branch Appropriations Subcommittee
The Honorable Anne M. Dressendorfer Binsted, Acting Chief Administrative Officer