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FL-14 (1), FL-14 (2), TX-30, TX-28, AND RESOLUTION DISMISSING THE ELECTION CONTEST IN THE AT-LARGE CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT OF ALASKA**

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March 11, 2025

COMMITTEE ON HOUSE ADMINISTRATION,
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
Washington, D.C.

The Committee met, pursuant to notice, at 3 p.m., in room 1310, Longworth House Office Building, Hon. Bryan Steil [Chairman of the Committee] presiding.

Present: Representatives Steil, Lee, Loudermilk, Griffith, Miller, Morelle, Sewell, and Torres.

Staff present: Mike Platt, Staff Director; Janet Schwalb, Deputy Staff Director; Rachel Collins, General Counsel; Kristen Monterroso, Director of Operations and Legislative Clerk; Abby Salter, Deputy General Counsel; Marissa Mullen, Deputy Director of Member Services; Annemarie Cake, Deputy Clerk and Professional Staff; Jamie Fleet, Minority Staff Director; Khalil Abboud, Minority Deputy Staff Director; Sean Wright, Minority Chief Counsel; and Matt Schlesinger, Minority Senior Counsel.

OPENING STATEMENT OF HON. BRYAN STEIL, CHAIRMAN OF THE COMMITTEE ON HOUSE ADMINISTRATION, A U.S. REPRESENTATIVE FROM WISCONSIN

Chairman STEIL. The Committee on House Administration will come to order. I note that a quorum is present.

Without objection, the chair is authorized to declare a recess at any time.

I would like to start by thanking Ranking Member Morelle and Members for participating in the two-part Committee funding hearing in recent weeks. The hearing with the chairs and Ranking Members of each House Committee took great effort and coordination. I am grateful to all the Members for your participation.

In the end, we heard from pretty much every chair and Ranking Member of the House Committees on their requested budgets for the 119th Congress.

Holding these hearings is one of the Committee's core responsibilities, and I believe these hearings advance our efforts to be more transparent and accountable to the American people.

In reviewing each of the budget requests, we wanted to ensure that every Committee has the necessary resources to execute their mission without wasting taxpayer dollars, which I believe we achieved with my Chairman's mark.

The amendment in the nature of a substitute provides Committees with the funding they need to conduct their important work in the 119th Congress. I am hopeful we can pass this resolution today to allow the Committees to get to work.

Today we will also be considering a Committee resolution setting the intern allocation for the standing and select committees, excluding the Appropriations Committee.

Internship opportunities on the Hill provide students and young adults an opportunity to see Government in action.

We will also be considering a resolution to establish an allocation for Committees' franked mail.

Finally, as our Committee oversees Federal elections, we will be considering five resolutions to dismiss election challenges from across the country.

I thank my colleagues for being here today, and I am hopeful we will pass all of these resolutions in a nonpartisan fashion.

I will now recognize the Ranking Member, Mr. Morelle, for 5 minutes for the purpose of offering an opening statement.

OPENING STATEMENT OF HON. JOSEPH MORELLE, RANKING MEMBER OF THE COMMITTEE ON HOUSE ADMINISTRATION, A U.S. REPRESENTATIVE FROM NEW YORK

Mr. MORELLE. Good afternoon. Thank you, Mr. Chairman.

Thank you for calling this meeting to consider, as you indicated, a number of important pieces of institutional legislation that enhance Committee capacity and protect one of the core constitutional responsibilities of the House.

As we recently established during our series of funding hearings, we must make sufficient investments in our Committees which allows them to hire and retain smart, dedicated staff and enables the execution of their respective missions under House rules.

This investment is particularly important as we enter a post-Chevron deference world of legislating and the burden of drafting and enacting technical and complicated regulations shifts from the executive branch to Congress and to our staffs from what I would charitably describe as a chaotic start to this administration.

We also have to ensure Committees are able to exercise rigorous and comprehensive oversight as we endeavor to maintain the separation of powers that our Federal Government is predicated upon. The omnibus Committee expense resolution we are considering today I believe accomplishes that.

While we are on the topic of Committee capacity building, we will also determine allocations for funding for Committee interns, as the chair just indicated, an important tool that provides personnel flexibility to Committees as we recruit and train the next generation of public servants.

Additionally, we will authorize financial allocations for official communications—or, as we refer to it here, franked mail—from Committees.

I do want to thank the chair for also docketing the dismissal of the five deficient and, in my view, frivolous election contests.

The Constitution vests the House with the ultimate determinative authority of who can be seated as a Member, and that responsibility is further bequeathed to this Committee by the Federal Contested Elections Act.

It is vitally important to the health of our democracy that we do not entertain contests that fall short of the requirements of the statute and dismiss them expeditiously.

With that, I do support the pieces of legislation on the agenda today. I urge my colleagues to do the same.

I want to thank the chair and the staffs on both sides for all their work.

With that, I yield back.

Chairman STEIL. The gentleman yields back.

I will now call up H. Res 198, providing for the expenses of certain Committees of the House of Representatives in the 119th Congress.

I want to thank again my colleagues for their cooperation on this important issue. By passing the resolution today, we will allow the Committees to begin their critical work in the 119th. I urge my colleagues to vote in favor of the resolution.

I again recognize the Ranking Member, Mr. Morelle, if you have an opening statement.

Mr. MORELLE. I am fine.

Chairman STEIL. The clerk will please report H. Res 198.

The CLERK. H. Res. 198—

Chairman STEIL. Without objection, the first reading of the resolution is dispensed with.

Also, without objection, the resolution shall be considered as read and open to amendment at any point.

[The resolution follows:]

HOUSE RESOLUTION 198

IV

119TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION**H. RES. 198**

Providing for the expenses of certain committees of the House of Representatives in the One Hundred Nineteenth Congress.

 IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

MARCH 6, 2025

Mr. STEIL (for himself and Mr. MORELLE) submitted the following resolution; which was referred to the Committee on House Administration

RESOLUTION

Providing for the expenses of certain committees of the House of Representatives in the One Hundred Nineteenth Congress.

1 *Resolved,*

2 **SECTION 1. COMMITTEE EXPENSES FOR THE ONE HUN-**
3 **DRED NINETEENTH CONGRESS.**

4 (a) IN GENERAL.—With respect to the One Hundred
5 Nineteenth Congress, there shall be paid out of the appli-
6 cable accounts of the House of Representatives, in accord-
7 ance with this primary expense resolution, not more than
8 the amount specified in subsection (b) for the expenses
9 (including the expenses of all staff salaries) of each com-
10 mittee named in such subsection.

1 (b) COMMITTEES AND AMOUNTS.—The committees
2 and amounts referred to in subsection (a) are: Committee
3 on Agriculture, \$14,903,700; Committee on Armed Serv-
4 ices, \$25,977,070; Committee on the Budget,
5 \$11,990,000; Committee on Education and Workforce,
6 \$22,033,321; Committee on Energy and Commerce,
7 \$32,293,696; Committee on Ethics, \$9,276,290; Com-
8 mittee on Financial Services, \$22,402,184; Committee on
9 Foreign Affairs, \$24,376,741; Committee on Homeland
10 Security, \$20,466,000; Committee on House Administra-
11 tion, \$16,885,446; Permanent Select Committee on Intel-
12 ligence, \$19,240,928; Committee on the Judiciary,
13 \$31,714,000; Committee on Natural Resources,
14 \$19,311,600; Committee on Oversight and Government
15 Reform, \$32,864,613; Committee on Rules, \$8,544,396;
16 Committee on Science, Space, and Technology,
17 \$18,617,085; Committee on Small Business, \$8,629,846;
18 Select Committee on the Strategic Competition Between
19 the United States and the Chinese Communist Party,
20 \$10,740,218; Committee on Transportation and Infra-
21 structure, \$23,290,035; Committee on Veterans' Affairs,
22 \$12,136,370; and Committee on Ways and Means,
23 \$30,290,000.

1 **SEC. 2. FIRST SESSION LIMITATIONS.**

2 (a) IN GENERAL.—Of the amount provided for in
3 section 1 for each committee named in subsection (b), not
4 more than the amount specified in such subsection shall
5 be available for expenses incurred during the period begin-
6 ning at noon on January 3, 2025, and ending immediately
7 before noon on January 3, 2026.

8 (b) COMMITTEES AND AMOUNTS.—The committees
9 and amounts referred to in subsection (a) are: Committee
10 on Agriculture, \$7,231,375; Committee on Armed Serv-
11 ices, \$12,988,535; Committee on the Budget, \$5,995,000;
12 Committee on Education and Workforce, \$10,979,883;
13 Committee on Energy and Commerce, \$15,774,974; Com-
14 mittee on Ethics, \$4,530,566; Committee on Financial
15 Services, \$11,201,707; Committee on Foreign Affairs,
16 \$11,683,048; Committee on Homeland Security,
17 \$10,233,000; Committee on House Administration,
18 \$8,031,523; Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence,
19 \$9,538,983; Committee on the Judiciary, \$15,857,000;
20 Committee on Natural Resources, \$9,655,800; Committee
21 on Oversight and Government Reform, \$15,907,947; Com-
22 mittee on Rules, \$4,272,198; Committee on Science,
23 Space, and Technology, \$9,228,599; Committee on Small
24 Business, \$4,232,534; Select Committee on the Strategic
25 Competition Between the United States and the Chinese
26 Communist Party, \$5,366,830; Committee on Transpor-

1 tation and Infrastructure, \$11,102,513; Committee on
2 Veterans' Affairs, \$5,985,270; and Committee on Ways
3 and Means, \$14,963,888.

4 **SEC. 3. SECOND SESSION LIMITATIONS.**

5 (a) IN GENERAL.—Of the amount provided for in
6 section 1 for each committee named in subsection (b), not
7 more than the amount specified in such subsection shall
8 be available for expenses incurred during the period begin-
9 ning at noon on January 3, 2026, and ending immediately
10 before noon on January 3, 2027.

11 (b) COMMITTEES AND AMOUNTS.—The committees
12 and amounts referred to in subsection (a) are: Committee
13 on Agriculture, \$7,672,325; Committee on Armed Serv-
14 ices, \$12,988,535; Committee on the Budget, \$5,995,000;
15 Committee on Education and Workforce, \$11,053,439;
16 Committee on Energy and Commerce, \$16,518,722; Com-
17 mittee on Ethics, \$4,745,724; Committee on Financial
18 Services, \$11,200,477; Committee on Foreign Affairs,
19 \$12,693,693; Committee on Homeland Security,
20 \$10,233,000; Committee on House Administration,
21 \$8,853,923; Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence,
22 \$9,701,945; Committee on the Judiciary, \$15,857,000;
23 Committee on Natural Resources, \$9,655,800; Committee
24 on Oversight and Government Reform, \$16,956,666; Com-
25 mittee on Rules, \$4,272,198; Committee on Science,

1 Space, and Technology, \$9,388,486; Committee on Small
2 Business, \$4,397,312; Select Committee on the Strategic
3 Competition Between the United States and the Chinese
4 Communist Party, \$5,373,388; Committee on Transpor-
5 tation and Infrastructure, \$12,187,522; Committee on
6 Veterans' Affairs, \$6,151,100; and Committee on Ways
7 and Means, \$15,326,112.

8 **SEC. 4. VOUCHERS.**

9 Payments under this resolution shall be made on
10 vouchers authorized by the committee involved, signed by
11 the chair of such committee, and approved in the manner
12 directed by the Committee on House Administration.

13 **SEC. 5. REGULATIONS.**

14 Amounts made available under this resolution shall
15 be expended in accordance with regulations prescribed by
16 the Committee on House Administration.

17 **SEC. 6. ADJUSTMENT AUTHORITY.**

18 The Committee on House Administration shall have
19 authority to make adjustments in amounts under section
20 1, if necessary to comply with an order of the President
21 issued under section 251A or 254 of the Balanced Budget
22 and Emergency Deficit Control Act of 1985 or to conform
23 to any change in appropriations for the purposes of such
24 section 1.

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Chairman STEIL. I have an amendment in the nature of a substitute at the desk. The clerk will please report the amendment.

The CLERK. Amendment in the nature of—

Chairman STEIL. Without objection, the Amendment in the Nature of a Substitute is considered as read and will be considered as original text for the purpose of further amendment.

[The Amendment in the Nature of a Substitute follows:]

**AMENDMENT IN THE NATURE
OF A SUBSTITUTE TO H. RES. 198**

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**AMENDMENT IN THE NATURE OF A SUBSTITUTE
TO H. RES. 198
OFFERED BY MR. STEIL OF WISCONSIN**

Strike all after the resolving clause and insert the following:

1 SECTION 1. COMMITTEE EXPENSES FOR THE ONE HUN-
2 DRED NINETEENTH CONGRESS.

3 (a) IN GENERAL.—With respect to the One Hundred
4 Nineteenth Congress, there shall be paid out of the appli-
5 cable accounts of the House of Representatives, in accord-
6 ance with this primary expense resolution, not more than
7 the amount specified in subsection (b) for the expenses
8 (including the expenses of all staff salaries) of each com-
9 mittee named in such subsection.

10 (b) COMMITTEES AND AMOUNTS.—The committees
11 and amounts referred to in subsection (a) are: Committee
12 on Agriculture, \$14,903,700; Committee on Armed Serv-
13 ices, \$25,977,070; Committee on the Budget,
14 \$11,990,000; Committee on Education and Workforce,
15 \$20,159,000; Committee on Energy and Commerce,
16 \$28,800,000; Committee on Ethics, \$9,276,290; Com-
17 mittee on Financial Services, \$21,250,000; Committee on
18 Foreign Affairs, \$22,700,000; Committee on Homeland

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1 Security, \$19,750,000; Committee on House Administra-
2 tion, \$16,885,446; Permanent Select Committee on Intel-
3 ligence, \$18,610,000; Committee on the Judiciary,
4 \$30,250,000; Committee on Natural Resources,
5 \$18,600,000; Committee on Oversight and Government
6 Reform, \$30,651,000; Committee on Rules, \$8,544,396;
7 Committee on Science, Space, and Technology,
8 \$15,232,000; Committee on Small Business, \$8,100,000;
9 Select Committee on the Strategic Competition Between
10 the United States and the Chinese Communist Party,
11 \$10,250,000; Committee on Transportation and Infra-
12 structure, \$22,854,319; Committee on Veterans' Affairs,
13 \$11,916,000; and Committee on Ways and Means,
14 \$26,600,000.

15 **SEC. 2. FIRST SESSION LIMITATIONS.**

16 (a) IN GENERAL.—Of the amount provided for in
17 section 1 for each committee named in subsection (b), not
18 more than the amount specified in such subsection shall
19 be available for expenses incurred during the period begin-
20 ning at noon on January 3, 2025, and ending immediately
21 before noon on January 3, 2026.

22 (b) COMMITTEES AND AMOUNTS.—The committees
23 and amounts referred to in subsection (a) are: Committee
24 on Agriculture, \$7,231,375; Committee on Armed Serv-
25 ices, \$12,988,535; Committee on the Budget, \$5,995,000;

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1 Committee on Education and Workforce, \$10,059,000;
2 Committee on Energy and Commerce, \$14,300,000; Com-
3 mittee on Ethics, \$4,530,566; Committee on Financial
4 Services, \$10,500,000; Committee on Foreign Affairs,
5 \$11,200,000; Committee on Homeland Security,
6 \$9,750,000; Committee on House Administration,
7 \$8,031,523; Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence,
8 \$9,305,000; Committee on the Judiciary, \$15,000,000;
9 Committee on Natural Resources, \$9,175,000; Committee
10 on Oversight and Government Reform, \$15,151,000; Com-
11 mittee on Rules, \$4,272,198; Committee on Science,
12 Space, and Technology, \$7,466,000; Committee on Small
13 Business, \$4,000,000; Select Committee on the Strategic
14 Competition Between the United States and the Chinese
15 Communist Party, \$5,000,000; Committee on Transpor-
16 tation and Infrastructure, \$11,427,160; Committee on
17 Veterans' Affairs, \$5,870,000; and Committee on Ways
18 and Means, \$13,100,000.

19 **SEC. 3. SECOND SESSION LIMITATIONS.**

20 (a) IN GENERAL.—Of the amount provided for in
21 section 1 for each committee named in subsection (b), not
22 more than the amount specified in such subsection shall
23 be available for expenses incurred during the period begin-
24 ning at noon on January 3, 2026, and ending immediately
25 before noon on January 3, 2027.

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1 (b) COMMITTEES AND AMOUNTS.—The committees
2 and amounts referred to in subsection (a) are: Committee
3 on Agriculture, \$7,672,325; Committee on Armed Serv-
4 ices, \$12,988,535; Committee on the Budget, \$5,995,000;
5 Committee on Education and Workforce, \$10,100,000;
6 Committee on Energy and Commerce, \$14,500,000; Com-
7 mittee on Ethics, \$4,745,724; Committee on Financial
8 Services, \$10,750,000; Committee on Foreign Affairs,
9 \$11,500,000; Committee on Homeland Security,
10 \$10,000,000; Committee on House Administration,
11 \$8,853,923; Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence,
12 \$9,305,000; Committee on the Judiciary, \$15,250,000;
13 Committee on Natural Resources, \$9,425,000; Committee
14 on Oversight and Government Reform, \$15,500,000; Com-
15 mittee on Rules, \$4,272,198; Committee on Science,
16 Space, and Technology, \$7,766,000; Committee on Small
17 Business, \$4,100,000; Select Committee on the Strategic
18 Competition Between the United States and the Chinese
19 Communist Party, \$5,250,000; Committee on Transpor-
20 tation and Infrastructure, \$11,427,160; Committee on
21 Veterans' Affairs, \$6,046,000; and Committee on Ways
22 and Means, \$13,500,000.

23 **SEC. 4. VOUCHERS.**

24 Payments under this resolution shall be made on
25 vouchers authorized by the committee involved, signed by

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1 the chair of such committee, and approved in the manner
2 directed by the Committee on House Administration.

3 **SEC. 5. REGULATIONS.**

4 Amounts made available under this resolution shall
5 be expended in accordance with regulations prescribed by
6 the Committee on House Administration.

7 **SEC. 6. RESERVE FUND FOR UNANTICIPATED EXPENSES.**

8 (a) ESTABLISHMENT.—There is hereby established a
9 reserve fund for unanticipated expenses of committees for
10 the One Hundred Nineteenth Congress.

11 (b) AMOUNT.—The reserve fund under this section
12 shall have a balance of \$4,000,000, of which—

13 (1) \$2,000,000 shall be available for unantici-
14 pated expenses incurred during the period beginning
15 at noon on January 3, 2025, and ending imme-
16 diately before noon on January 3, 2026; and

17 (2) \$2,000,000 shall be available for unantici-
18 pated expenses incurred during the period beginning
19 at noon on January 3, 2026, and ending imme-
20 diately before noon on January 3, 2027.

21 (c) ALLOCATION TO COMMITTEES.—Amounts in the
22 reserve fund under this section shall be paid to a com-
23 mittee pursuant to an allocation approved by the Com-
24 mittee on House Administration.

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1 **SEC. 7. ADJUSTMENT AUTHORITY.**

2 The Committee on House Administration shall have
3 authority to make adjustments in amounts under section
4 1, if necessary to comply with an order of the President
5 issued under section 251A or 254 of the Balanced Budget
6 and Emergency Deficit Control Act of 1985 or to conform
7 to any change in appropriations for the purposes of such
8 section 1.



Chairman STEIL. Do any Members seek recognition for amendment or debate?

There being no further amendment or debate, the question now occurs on the amendment in the nature of a substitute.

All those in favor, signify by saying aye.

Opposed, no.

In the opinion of the chair, the ayes have it, and the amendment is adopted.

The question now occurs on H. Res. 198, as amended, reported favorably to the House.

All those in favor, signify by saying aye.

Opposed, no.

In the opinion of the chair, the ayes have it, and H. Res. 198, as amended, is agreed to.

Without objection, the motion to reconsider is laid upon the table.

I now call up the following resolutions en bloc.

Committee Resolution 119–10, a resolution to approve allocation from the Paid House Committee Internship Program to Committees for 2025; and then Committee Resolution 119–11, a resolution to approve franked mail allowances for Committees in the 119th Congress.

Committee Resolution 119–10 allocates the 2025 legislative year allowance among each standing and select committee in the House, excluding the Appropriations Committee, for the compensation of interns.

Committee Resolution 119–11 will set the allocation of official mail allowance for each standing and select committee of the House, excluding Appropriations.

I urge my colleagues to support these resolutions.

I will recognize the Ranking Member, Mr. Morelle, if he would like to give a statement on these resolutions.

Mr. MORELLE. Thank you, Mr. Chair.

Simply that I support these resolutions as they are capacity-increasing measures for our fellow Committees, who I think will need every available tool at their disposal as we continue to work through this Congress. I urge my colleagues to support the same.

I yield back.

Chairman STEIL. The gentleman yields back.

The clerk will please report Committee Resolutions 119–10 and 119–11.

The CLERK. Resolution—

Chairman STEIL. Without objection, the reading of the resolutions is dispensed with and will be considered en bloc.

Also, without objection, the resolutions shall be considered as read and open to amendment at any point.

[The resolutions follow:]

COMMITTEE RESOLUTION 119-10
COMMITTEE ON HOUSE ADMINISTRATION
119th CONGRESS
COMMITTEE RESOLUTION 119-10

**Resolution to Approve Allocation from the Paid House
Committee Internship Program to Committees for 2025**

Be it resolved, that Public Law 117-103 provides an allowance separate from committee funds for compensation of interns and the Committee on House Administration determines the allocation of the allowance. The allowance for legislative year 2025 is \$2,600,000 which will be allocated as follows and distributed evenly among each committee between the majority and minority.

Committee on Agriculture	\$95,050
Committee on the Budget	\$120,640
Committee on Education and Labor	\$164,509
Committee on Energy and Commerce	\$237,624
Committee on Ethics	\$30,000
Committee on Financial Services	\$157,198
Committee on Foreign Affairs	\$182,788
Committee on Homeland Security	\$137,091
Committee on House Administration	\$115,156
Committee on the Judiciary	\$201,067
Committee on Natural Resources	\$126,124
Committee on Oversight and Reform	\$243,108
Committee on Rules	\$71,287
Committee on Science, Space, and Technology	\$122,468
Committee on Small Business	\$76,771
Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure	\$160,853
Committee on Veterans' Affairs	\$82,255
Committee on Ways and Means	\$204,723
Select Committee on the Strategic Competition between the United States and the Chinese Communist Party	\$71,287

COMMITTEE RESOLUTION 119-11**COMMITTEE ON HOUSE ADMINISTRATION
119th CONGRESS
COMMITTEE RESOLUTION 119-11****Resolution to Approve Franked Mail Allowances for
Committees for the 119th Congress**

Be it resolved, that pursuant to Public Law 101-520 § 311(e) (codified at 2 U.S.C. § 503), that effective January 3, 2025, and during the first session of the One Hundred Nineteenth Congress, the allocation of the Official Mail Allowance for the following committees of the House of Representatives is:

Committee on Agriculture	\$5,000
Committee on Armed Services	\$5,000
Committee on the Budget	\$5,000
Committee on Education and Labor	\$5,000
Committee on Energy and Commerce	\$5,000
Committee on Ethics	\$5,000
Committee on Financial Services	\$5,000
Committee on Foreign Affairs	\$5,000
Committee on Homeland Security	\$5,000
Committee on House Administration	\$5,000
Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence	\$5,000
Committee on the Judiciary	\$5,000
Committee on Natural Resources	\$5,000
Committee on Oversight and Reform	\$5,000
Committee on Rules	\$5,000
Committee on Science, Space, and Technology	\$5,000
Committee on Small Business	\$5,000
Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure	\$5,000
Committee on Veterans' Affairs	\$5,000
Committee on Ways and Means	\$5,000
Select Committee on the Strategic Competition between the United States and the Chinese Communist Party	\$5,000

Resolved further, pursuant to Public Law 101-520 § 311 (e) (codified at 2 U.S.C. § 503), that effective January 3, 2026, and during the second session of the One Hundred Nineteenth Congress, the allocation of the Official Mail Allowance for the following committees of the House of Representatives is:

Committee on Agriculture	\$5,000
Committee on Armed Services	\$5,000
Committee on the Budget	\$5,000
Committee on Education and Labor	\$5,000
Committee on Energy and Commerce	\$5,000
Committee on Ethics	\$5,000
Committee on Financial Services	\$5,000
Committee on Foreign Affairs	\$5,000
Committee on Homeland Security	\$5,000
Committee on House Administration	\$5,000
Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence	\$5,000
Committee on the Judiciary	\$5,000
Committee on Natural Resources	\$5,000
Committee on Oversight and Reform	\$5,000
Committee on Rules	\$5,000
Committee on Science, Space, and Technology	\$5,000
Committee on Small Business	\$5,000
Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure	\$5,000
Committee on Veterans' Affairs	\$5,000
Committee on Ways and Means	\$5,000
Select Committee on the Strategic Competition between the United States and the Chinese Communist Party	\$5,000

Chairman STEIL. Do any other Members seek recognition for amendment or debate.

There being no further amendment or debate, the question now occurs on the resolution.

All those in favor, signify by saying aye.

Opposed, no.

In the opinion of the chair, the ayes have it.

Without objection, the resolutions are agreed to.

Without objection, the motion to reconsider is laid upon the table.

I now call up the following resolutions en bloc.

The first resolution, dismissing the election contest related to the office of Representative from the 14th Congressional District of Florida, which was filed on January 9, 2025.

The second resolution, dismissing the election contest related to the office of Representative from the 14th Congressional District of Florida, which was filed on November 17, 2024.

Third, the resolution dismissing the election contest related to the office of Representative from the 30th Congressional District of Texas.

Fourth, the resolution dismissing the election contest related to the office of Representative from the 28th Congressional District of Texas.

Fifth, the resolution dismissing the election contest related to the office of Representative for the at-large Congressional District of Alaska.

As the Committee with oversight of our elections, we receive election contests for congressional races. In each of these cases, the candidates either missed the deadline to file challenges or challenged primaries, which the Committee does not have jurisdiction over.

For these reasons, I urge my colleagues to support the resolutions to dismiss the election contests.

I will now recognize Ranking Member Morelle if you would like to offer an opening statement.

Mr. MORELLE. Yes. Thank you, Mr. Chairman. Very briefly.

The House is vested with the broad and comprehensive authority to establish the procedures and render final decisions relating to the election of its Members. The House has consistently and regularly exercised its authority from the very first Congress through the 118th Congress.

House Rule X and the Federal Contested Elections Act generally assign the Committee jurisdiction over contested elections. Today, the Committee acts pursuant to this authority to consider five resolutions and accompanying reports recommending the House dismiss various election contests before it.

Each of the contests is procedurally deficient in one form or another, and none provides evidence that the contestant has demonstrated a right to the seat.

I appreciate, Mr. Chairman, your work and your staff and their collaboration with our staff.

It is critical the House continue to play this role in a professional and bipartisan manner so the American people can be assured that their elective representatives are truly chosen by and for the people.

Accordingly, I support the resolutions and urge my colleagues to join me in voting yes.

With that, I thank you and yield back.

Chairman STEIL. The gentleman yields back.

The clerk will please report the resolutions.

The CLERK. Dismissing the election contest—

Chairman STEIL. Without objection, the first reading of the resolution is dispensed with.

Without objection, the five resolutions will be considered en bloc.

Also, without objection, the resolutions shall be considered as read and open to amendment at any point.

[The resolutions follow:]

**RESOLUTION DISMISSING THE ELECTION
CONTEST IN FL-14 (1)**

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119TH CONGRESS
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H. RES. _____

Dismissing the election contest relating to the office of Representative from
the Fourteenth Congressional District of Florida.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Mr. STEEL, from the Committee on House Administration, reported the
following resolution

RESOLUTION

Dismissing the election contest relating to the office of Rep-
resentative from the Fourteenth Congressional District
of Florida.

1 *Resolved*, That the election contest filed on January
2 9, 2025, relating to the office of Representative from the
3 Fourteenth Congressional District of Florida is dismissed
4 on the grounds of untimely filing with the House of Rep-
5 resentatives.

**RESOLUTION DISMISSING THE ELECTION
CONTEST IN FL-14 (2)**

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119TH CONGRESS
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H. RES. _____

Dismissing the election contest relating to the office of Representative from
the Fourteenth Congressional District of Florida.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Mr. STEEL, from the Committee on House Administration, reported the
following resolution

RESOLUTION

Dismissing the election contest relating to the office of Rep-
resentative from the Fourteenth Congressional District
of Florida.

1 *Resolved*, That the election contest filed on November
2 17, 2024, relating to the office of Representative from the
3 Fourteenth Congressional District of Florida is dismissed
4 on the grounds that, under section 2(1) of the Federal
5 Contested Election Act (2 U.S.C. 381(1)), the House of
6 Representatives has jurisdiction over official general and
7 special elections to choose a Representative in, or Delegate
8 or Resident Commissioner to, the Congress, but does not

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- 1 have jurisdiction over a primary election, or a caucus or
- 2 convention of a political party.

RESOLUTION DISMISSING THE ELECTION CONTEST IN TX-30

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119TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION

H. RES. _____

Dismissing the election contest relating to the office of Representative from
the Thirtieth Congressional District of Texas.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Mr. STEIL, from the Committee on House Administration, reported the
following resolution

RESOLUTION

Dismissing the election contest relating to the office of Rep-
resentative from the Thirtieth Congressional District of
Texas.

1 *Resolved*, That the election contest relating to the of-
2 fice of Representative from the Thirtieth Congressional
3 District of Texas is dismissed on the grounds of untimely
4 filing with the House of Representatives.

RESOLUTION DISMISSING THE ELECTION CONTEST IN TX-28

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119TH CONGRESS
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H. RES. _____

Dismissing the election contest relating to the office of Representative from
the Twenty-eighth Congressional District of Texas.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Mr. STEIL, from the Committee on House Administration, reported the
following resolution

RESOLUTION

Dismissing the election contest relating to the office of Rep-
resentative from the Twenty-eighth Congressional Dis-
trict of Texas.

1 *Resolved*, That the election contest relating to the of-
2 fice of Representative from the Twenty-eighth Congres-
3 sional District of Texas is dismissed on the grounds of
4 untimely filing with the House of Representatives.

**RESOLUTION DISMISSING THE ELECTION CONTEST IN THE
AT-LARGE CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT OF ALASKA**

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119TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION

H. RES. _____

Dismissing the election contest relating to the office of Representative from
the at-large Congressional District of Alaska.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Mr. STEIL, from the Committee on House Administration, reported the
following resolution

RESOLUTION

Dismissing the election contest relating to the office of Rep-
resentative from the at-large Congressional District of
Alaska.

1 *Resolved*, That the election contest relating to the of-
2 fice of Representative from the at-large Congressional Dis-
3 trict of Alaska is dismissed on the grounds that, under
4 section 2(1) of the Federal Contested Election Act (2
5 U.S.C. 381(1)), the House of Representatives has jurisdic-
6 tion over official general and special elections to choose
7 a Representative in, or Delegate or Resident Commis-
8 sioner to, the Congress, but does not have jurisdiction over

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1 a primary election, or a caucus or convention of a political

2 party.

Chairman STEIL. Do any other Members seek recognition for amendment or debate?

There being no further amendment or debate, the question now occurs on the resolutions.

All those in favor, signify by saying aye.

All those opposed, no.

In the opinion of the chair, the ayes have it, and the resolutions are agreed to.

Without objection, the motion to reconsider is laid upon the table.

This concludes all matters before the Committee unless any other Members have comments.

Without objection, the staff is authorized to make necessary technical and conforming changes.

If there is no further business, I want to thank the Members for their participation.

Without objection, the Committee on House Administration stands adjourned.

[Whereupon, at 3:11 p.m., the Committee was adjourned.]

