

Government Reform

The time has come for Congress to exercise some real oversight and work to eliminate waste, fraud, and abuse in our federal government. I learned the value of a dollar when I was growing up in Brooklyn, Iowaâ€™s our hard-earned tax dollars the government is spending, and Iâ€™m going to work hard in my assignment on the House Oversight and Government Reform Committee to make sure itâ€™s spent wisely. Iâ€™m working hard in Congress to investigate waste, fraud, and abuse of government funds in Iraqâ€™from unfair no-bid contracts to where \$9 billion in government cash went missing.

Action on Government Reform

Sponsorship:

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H.R. 3548, Plain Language in Government Communications Act of 2007

Co-sponsorship:

- H.R. 984, Executive Branch Reform Act of 2007
- H.R. 985, Whistleblower Protection Enhancement Act of 2007
- H.R. 2635, the Carbon-Neutral Government Act of 2007
- H.R. 3548, Plain Language in Government Communications Act of 2007
- H.R. 3892, Federal Labor-Management Partnership Act of 2007
- H.R. 3928, Government Contractor Accountability Act of 2007
- H.R. 4121, Restoring Trust in Public Officials Act of 2007

Committee Hearings:

- January 29, 2008--"Full Committee holds Hearing on CDC Program Providing Breast and Cervical Cancer Screening"
- January 17, 2008--"Investigation into Veterans' Charities Continues"
- January 15, 2008--"Hearing on Steroids in Major League Baseball and the Mitchell Report"