COR Climate Change Agenda

On June 30, 2020, the Select Committee on the Climate Crisis issued a majority staff report titled, “Solving the Climate Crisis: The Congressional Action Plan for a Clean Energy Economy and a Healthy, Resilient, and Just America.” The report made a number of legislative recommendations that fall within the jurisdiction of the Committee on Oversight and Reform (COR). The COR Climate Change Agenda draws on these recommendations and guides the Committee’s work to address the climate crisis.

The federal government is the largest employer in the United States, the largest purchaser of goods and services in the world, and an important partner to states, localities, Tribal governments, the public and private sectors, and other countries. The COR Climate Change Agenda aims to utilize the federal government’s unique position in the fight against climate change by making important reforms in the pursuit of greener and more efficient policies, programs, and processes. The COR Climate Change Agenda includes:

- **H.R. ____, the Federal Agency Climate PREP Act**, introduced by Chairwoman Carolyn B. Maloney and Subcommittee on the Environment Chairman Harley Rouda, requires climate change adaptation planning and coordination at all federal agencies.

- **H.R. 8174, the Carbon Pollution Transparency Act**, introduced by Representative A. Donald McEachin, requires federal agencies to use consistent, science-based figures in their rulemaking and purchasing decisions to quantify the long-term costs of greenhouse gas emissions.

- **H.R. 5142, the Green Energy for Federal Buildings Act**, introduced by Representative Julia Brownley, requires the federal government to increase its use of renewable energy to 100% by 2050.

- **H.R. 7969, the Postal Vehicle Modernization Act**, introduced by Representative Jared Huffman, Chairwoman Maloney, and Subcommittee on Government Operations Chairman Gerry Connolly, requires the Postal Service to upgrade its fleet to electric or zero-emission vehicles by 2040.

- **H.R. 932, the Renewable Energy Certainty Act**, introduced by Representative Peter Welch, authorizes federal agencies to procure renewable energy and energy from cogeneration sources for up to 30 years.

- **H.R. 4347, the Preparedness and Risk Management for Extreme Weather Patterns Assuring Resilience and Effectiveness (PREPARE) Act**, introduced by Representative Matt Cartwright, enhances federal planning and preparation for extreme weather and disseminates best practices to help regional, state, and local efforts to develop their plans to respond to extreme weather.