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Opening Statement

Chairwoman Carolyn B. Maloney

H.R. 4894, the Congressional Budget Justification Transparency Act

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The bill before us—the Congressional Budget Justification Transparency Act—is a common sense, good government measure that every Member should support.

It would require the congressional budget justification documents that agencies prepare for Congressional committees to be posted online in a centralized, searchable database.

This would make these detailed, plain-language explanations of how agencies plan to spend taxpayer dollars more accessible to the public.

I want to thank Rep. Mike Quigley and Rep. Doug Collins for their work on this bill.

Rep. Quigley in particular has a long history as a strong advocate of transparency in the operations of the federal government.

I urge members to support this bill.

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