Opening Statement
Chairwoman Carolyn B. Maloney
H.R. 6020, a bill mandating a GAO study on Minor League Baseball
House Committee on Oversight and Reform
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Minor League Baseball has been part of the social fabric of America for more than a century.

Today, there are 160 minor league teams across the country, including the Staten Island Yankees and the 2019 New York-Penn League Champion Brooklyn Cyclones!

This bill would require the Government Accountability Office to conduct a study on the social, economic, and historical contributions that these teams have made to American society. Minor league baseball provides family-friendly entertainment to millions of Americans.

It is also an important economic influence in many communities—employing thousands of individuals—and it often serves as an important source of charitable giving.

I ask my colleagues to join me in supporting this measure.

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