



HOUSE COMMITTEE ON
OVERSIGHT AND ACCOUNTABILITY
DEMOCRATS
RANKING MEMBER JAMIE RASKIN

118th Congress Accomplishments

During the 118th Congress, Ranking Member Jamie Raskin and House Committee on Oversight and Accountability Democrats conducted important investigations, combatted disinformation, and advocated for the American people.

- **Ranking Member Jamie Raskin led the Truth Squad in standing up for the truth, defending the Constitution, and discrediting Republicans' lies.**
 - Throughout the first session of the 118th Congress, Committee Democrats released numerous [reports](#), [fact sheets](#), and [memos](#) dispelling Republican misrepresentations and distortions of the facts in transcribed interviews with key witnesses in the bogus investigation into President Biden.
 - In July 2023, Ranking Member Jamie Raskin and Committee on Homeland Security Ranking Member Bennie G. Thompson [debunked](#) Congressional Republicans' blatant lies about the conditions at the southern border in support of their baseless efforts to impeach Secretary Alejandro Mayorkas.
 - In September 2023, Ranking Member Jamie Raskin [highlighted](#) the flops, failures, and fantasies in Chairman James Comer's sham investigation into President Biden.
 - In December 2023, Oversight Committee Democrats pushed back on claims made by Republicans in their sham impeachment investigation, circulating a [memo](#) showing Republicans' lack of evidence of wrongdoing by President Biden.
- **Ranking Member Jamie Raskin and Committee Democrats continued to fight for basic rights, including advocating for reproductive rights and exposing the effects of Republican censorship efforts.**
 - In March 2023, Ranking Member Jamie Raskin and Rep. Debbie Dingell issued [statements](#) on the Government Accountability Office's (GAO) [report](#) showing the persistence of the gender pay gap and the under-representation of women in management positions across industries.
 - In May 2023, Committee Democrats and the Black Maternal Health Caucus [highlighted](#) GAO's report examining maternal health and access to midwife care.
 - In June 2023, Ranking Member Jamie Raskin revealed [new information](#) showing that Norfolk Southern purposely evaded and misled efforts to investigate the company's multiple train derailments, like the train derailment that devastated the East Palestine, Ohio community.

- In July 2023, Ranking Member Jamie Raskin and Rep. Jasmine Crockett [pressed](#) Postmaster General Louis DeJoy for information on working conditions for Postal employees following the death of a letter carrier in Texas who died delivering mail during an extreme heat wave.
 - In July 2023, Ranking Members Jamie Raskin and Bennie G. Thompson launched an [investigation](#) into U.S. Coast Guard’s mishandling of allegations of sexual assault at the Coast Guard Academy that severely limited the ability of survivors to seek and obtain justice.
 - In July 2023, Ranking Member Jamie Raskin, Rep. Cori Bush, and Rep. Jasmine Crockett held a [roundtable](#) on medication abortion access and Republican efforts to ban abortion nationwide.
 - In August, 2023, Committee Democrats sent a [letter](#) to Chairman James Comer, urging Committee Republicans to join in conducting a serious investigation into the dangerous prison conditions inmates face across the country.
 - In October 2023, Ranking Member Jamie Raskin released a [report](#), “Book Bans and Curriculum Gag Orders: National Trends,” showing how classroom censorship threatens public education, exacerbates the teacher shortage, and politicizes K-12 classrooms.
 - In November 2023, Ranking Member Raskin, and Committee Members Rep. Maxwell Alejandro Frost and Rep. Jared Moskowitz, held a [roundtable](#) to examine the epidemic of gun violence with a panel of advocates, school leaders, policy advocates, and legal experts.
 - In December 2023, Committee Democrats released a [staff analysis](#) showing 49 million more women could have access to no-cost contraceptive care if the Departments of Treasury, Labor, and Health and Human Services revise existing guidance to ensure that more medications are covered at no-cost on patients’ insurance plans.
- **Committee Democrats prioritized transparency in the federal government.**
 - In March 2023, Ranking Member Jamie Raskin released a step-by-step [Citizen’s Guide](#) to using the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) to request government records.
 - In March 2023, Ranking Member Raskin released an [interim staff report](#) showing that the Trump family failed to disclose more than \$250,000 worth of gifts from foreign governments.
 - In August 2023, Ranking Member Raskin [urged](#) Chairman James Comer to subpoena Jared Kushner’s investment firm for key documents illuminating billions in funding from Saudi Arabia and other Gulf monarchies, in light of Mr. Kushner’s decision to ignore and defy requests from Committee Democrats.

- In November 2023, Committee Democrats [called](#) on Chairman James Comer to investigate U.S. Supreme Court Justice Clarence Thomas after revelations that he failed to report or repay a \$267,230 loan from a wealthy businessman.
- **Ranking Member Raskin and Committee Democrats rebutted Republican attacks on the federal work force and federal agencies efforts to fulfill their missions.**
 - During multiple hearings, Committee Democrats defended the federal government's use of [remote work](#), [highlighted lessons learned from pandemic telework policies](#), and rebutted [Republican attacks on federal workers](#).
 - In November 2023, Committee Democrats [underscored](#) their steadfast commitment to improving government services for the American people in a hearing with the General Services Administration (GSA).
- **Committee Democrats continued their efforts to lower drug prices for Americans who depend on life-saving medications.**
 - In May 2023, Committee Democrats [fought](#) to lower the cost of prescription drugs and addressed the role of Pharmacy Benefit Managers (PBMs) in keeping drug prices unaffordable for people across the country.
 - In September 2023, Committee Democrats continued their work [addressing](#) the role of PBMs in high drug prices and calling for action to build on Democrats' work to lower to prescription drug prices and expand access for all Americans.
- **Our subcommittees have been a major part of the Committee's efforts, conducting crucial oversight of customer service in the federal government, ensuring America's cybersecurity, addressing environmental justice issues, and more.**
 - In March, Subcommittee on National Security, the Border, and Foreign Affairs Ranking Member Robert Garcia led Democrats in addressing the [serious challenges affecting](#) our nation's military readiness, including recruitment, retention, and modernization.
 - In July, Subcommittee on Health Care and Financial Services Ranking Member Katie Porter led Democrats in [affirming](#) quality health care as the right of every person, including recipients of Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA) protections.
 - In the same month, Subcommittee on Government Operations and the Federal Workforce Ranking Members Kweisi Mfume and Subcommittee Ranking Member Katie Porter [stood up](#) for American taxpayers, calling for action to build on Democrats' historic work to help the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) provide better service to taxpayers and enforce tax laws so that the wealthy and big corporations pay their fair share.

- In October, Ranking Member Jamie Raskin and Subcommittee on Economic Growth, Energy Policy, and Regulatory Affairs Ranking Member Cori Bush released a [GAO report](#) highlighting the environmental justice effects of the Manhattan Project on frontline communities, offering recommendations to improve remediation efforts.