

One Hundred Aineteenth Congress Committee on Homeland Security U.S. House of Representatives Washington, DC 20515

August 1, 2025

The Honorable Kristi Noem Secretary Department of Homeland Security Washington, DC 20528

Dear Secretary Noem,

Nearly a month ago, President Trump signed the One Big Beautiful Bill Act (OBBBA) into law. OBBBA appropriated billions of dollars for the Department, which when disbursed over the next four years, will facilitate the administration's efforts to secure the homeland. From completing the border barrier system, to reinvigorating and rebuilding the Department's workforce, and investing in cutting-edge technology, the Department has an unprecedented opportunity to permanently secure our borders.

We write today to understand how the Department plans to outlay this funding to deliver a strong and secure homeland for years to come. To aid the Committee in its oversight responsibilities, we respectfully request that you provide Committee staff with a briefing on the Department's plan to disburse OBBBA funding, including planned fiscal year distributions, acquisitions, procurements, operational costs, modernization efforts, or otherwise pertinent information. We request this briefing as soon as possible but no later than August 22, 2025.

Per Rule X of the U.S House of Representatives, the Committee on Homeland Security is the principal committee of jurisdiction for overall homeland security policy and has special oversight functions of "all Government activities relating to homeland security, including the interaction of all departments and agencies with the Department of Homeland Security."

Thank you for your prompt attention to this important matter.

Sincerely,

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