

On Thursday, March 19 at 10:00 a.m., the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform held a hearing titled, "Preventing Stimulus Waste and Fraud: Who are the Watchdogs?" The hearing, which took place in room 2154 Rayburn House Office Building, reviewed the organizations and officials responsible for oversight of spending under the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act. In addition, the hearing reviewed what proactive steps these officials are taking to prevent wasteful spending, as well as plans for audits and investigations to identify and prosecute fraud in stimulus programs.

Witnesses for the hearing included:

PANEL I

Mr. Earl E. Devaney
Chairman
Recovery Act Accountability and Transparency Board Recovery Act

PANEL II

Mr. William G. Holland
Auditor General of Illinois
National Association of State Auditors, Comptrollers, and Treasurers (NASACT)

Mr. David P. Gragan
Chief Procurement Officer for Washington, D.C.
National Association of State Procurement Officials (NASPO)

Mr. Jerome Heer
Director of Audits for the County of Milwaukee
Association of Local Government Auditors (ALGA)

Mr. Jerry Brito
Senior Research Fellow
Mercatus Center at George Mason University

To view a webcast of the hearing, please click on the following links:

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