

Six-Month Report July 3, 2019





The first six months of the 116th Congress, by the numbers:



Congresswoman Fletcher has met with hundreds of constituents from across Texas' Seventh Congressional District to talk about issues and priorities in Washington and Houston. She meets with constituents, businesses, and organizations about matters that are important in the district in her offices in Washington and Houston.



TX-07 residents can also talk to the Congresswoman during various community forums throughout the year. Her quarterly Town Halls are an opportunity for constituents to ask questions or express concerns on any topic. Community Conversations are town halls on a topic hosted by the Congresswoman with subject matter experts working in the area. She has hosted conversations on flooding and transportation. She has also hosted roundtable discussions on health care and small business mattes. To meet with the Congresswoman personally, constituents can find Congresswoman Fletcher in the office or in local stores at one of her Across the Aisles events. And those seeking help with a federal agency, can visit her Houston office or visit one of several satellite locations throughout the district during regular office hours. More information about events and office hours is available at fletcher.house.gov/services/event.





Congresswoman Fletcher's Houston office has been hard at work handling constituent casework, which includes helping constituents who need assistance with federal agencies, including Social Security, Medicare, and the Department of Veterans Affairs, or issues with passports, and immigration, among others. To date, the Office has opened 444 cases and resolved 344 of them.

Here are reports from some of the people the office has helped:

"I contacted Representative Fletcher's office because I had a trip coming up and had not yet received my passport back from the renewal office. I was unable to get much information from the passport agency. From the moment I contacted Representative Fletcher's office they were so helpful. I was put in touch with Claudia Morales who got my information and began working on my case right away. She provided me with multiple updates which was really nice because I was very concerned. Less than 24 hours after I contacted Lizzie Fletcher's office the passport agency had processed and mailed out my passport, I am so thankful to Lizzie Fletcher and her staff, especially Claudia Morales. Thank you!"

-Mansi D.

"I contacted Congresswoman Lizzie office to get help with I-765 application that was pending with USCIS since November 1, 2018 in Vermont center. I was not getting any update on my case. Congresswoman Lizzie's office contacted the office and received real time information about my application. The staff promptly followed my case with USCIS office bi-weekly and keep me posted with current updates about my case. I finally receive my EAD card on June 13th, 2019. I am very grateful for Congresswoman Lizzie taking time to respond and help me."

-Shilpa Bhadviya

"I contacted Rep. Fletcher's office about my delayed naturalization case with USCIS. The office was able to intercede on my behalf and help me secure an interview quickly. Thus my naturalization case was completed very quickly once the office got involved, and I was kept updated along the entire process. Many thanks to Rep. Fletcher's office for rendering assistance to during a time of need.

-Oluwatosin Ogundipe







Serving on the House Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure and the House Committee on Science, Space, and Technology keep the Congresswoman in touch with the issues most important to TX-07. As the chair of the Subcommittee on the Environment, the Congresswoman has chaired hearing on the weather enterprise, NOAA, and the state of our oceans. Each of these hearings includes testimony from experts from government, academia, and industry.

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H. AMDT. 189 to H.R. 9: An amendment numbered 22 printed in House Report 116-42 to state that noting in this Act may be construed to require or prohibit the inclusion of a specific energy technology or technologies in the President's plan. Passed the House with H.R. 9 Climate Action Now Act.

H. AMDT. 18 to H.R. 790: An amendment numbered 2 printed in Part B of House Report 116-5 to include certain NASA employees. Passed the House with H.R. 790 Federal Civilian Workforce Pay Raise Fairness Act.

H. AMDT. 216 to H.R. 2157: Amendment shorten the time requirement of the publication of rules of the Department of Housing and Urban Development Community Development Fund from 90 days to 14 days. Passed into law with passage of H.R. 2157, the Supplemental Appropriations Act.





Bills Introduced by Congresswoman Fletcher:

H.R. 2548 Hazard Eligibility and Local Projects (HELP) Act: to expedite the start of mitigation projects after natural disasters, even while waiting for federal assistance through the Federal Emergency Management Agency's (FEMA) hazard mitigation grant program. Passed out of the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

H.R. 2638 To direct the Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) to issue guidance on minimizing the use of firefighting foam containing PFAS, and for other purposes.

H.R. 2761 Bipartisan Disaster Recovery Funding Act: directs the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) to release \$16 billion in long-awaited disaster relief funding within 60 days to nine states and two U.S. territories – including Texas, Louisiana, North Carolina, South Carolina, Florida, and Puerto Rico.

H.R. 3066 Supporting Our Coast Guard Members Act: make sure Coast Guard servicemembers receive the same benefits and services offered to servicemembers in the Army, Navy, Air Force, and Marine Corps.

H.R. 3266 JROTC Cyber Training Act: to direct the Secretary of Defense to carry out a program to enhance the preparation of students in the Junior Reserve Officers' Training Corps (JROTC) for careers in computer science and cybersecurity.





Key Legislation Passed by the House of Representatives:

H.R. 1 For the People Act of 2019

H.R. 5 Equality Act

H.R. 6 American Dream and Promise Act

H.R. 7 Paycheck Fairness Act

H.R. 8 Bipartisan Background Checks Act of 2019

H.R. 9 Climate Action Now Act

H.R. 1237 COAST Research Act of 2019

H.R. 1468 SAFE Act of 2019

H.R. 1585 Violence Against Women Reauthorization Act of 2019

H.R. 199 Setting Every Community Up for Retirement Enhancement Act of 2019

S. 47 John D. Dingell, Jr. Conservation, Management, and Recreation Act





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- H.R. 36 Combating Sexual Harassment in Science Act
- H.R. 117 National Enhancing the Wellbeing of Babies through Outreach and Research Now Act
- H.R. 434 Emancipation National Historic Trail Act
- H.R. 500 Christa McAuliffe Commemorative Coin Act of 2019
- H.R. 512 To designate the facility of the United States Postal Service at 115 South Swenson Street in

Stamford, Texas, as the "Charles W. Stenholm Post Office Building"

- H.R. 657 Immediate Financial Relief for Federal Employees Act
- H.R. 693 PAST Act
- H.R. 748 Middle Class Health Benefits Tax Repeal Act
- H.R. 838 Threat Assessment, Prevention, and Safety Act
- H.R. 1043 Employer Participation in Repayment Act
- H.R. 1044 Fairness for High-Skilled Immigrants Act
- H.R. 1055 Global Health, Empowerment and Rights Act
- H.R. 1108 Aviation Funding Stability Act
- H.R. 1237 COAST Research Act
- H.R. 1250 To designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 11158 Highway 146 North in Hardin, Texas, as the "Lucas Lowe Post Office".
- H.R. 1327 Never Forget the Heroes: Permanent Authorization of the September 11th Victim Compensation Fund Act
- H.R. 1380 Big Cat Public Safety Act
- H.R. 1396 Hidden Figures Congressional Gold Medal Act
- H.R. 1423 FAIR Act
- H.R. 1581 Reproductive Rights are Human Rights Act
- H.R. 1585 Violence Against Women Reauthorization Act
- H.R. 1692 Equal Access to Abortion Coverage in Health Insurance (EACH Woman) Act
- H.R. 1709 Scientific Integrity Act
- H.R. 1763 Resident Physician Shortage Reduction Act
- H.R. 1773 Rosie the Riveter Congressional Gold Medal Act
- H.R. 1994 Setting Every Community Up for Retirement Enhancement Act
- H.R. 2088 To amend the Energy Independence and Security Act of 2007 to reauthorize the Energy Efficiency and Conservation Block Grant Program, and for other purposes.



H.R. 2091 Access to Contraception for Servicemembers and Dependents Act

H.R. 2214 National Origin-Based Antidiscrimination for Nonimmigrants Act

H.R. 2334 To designate the Department of Veterans Affairs community-based outpatient clinic in Odessa, Texas, as the "Wilson and Young Medal of Honor VA Clinic".

H.R. 2382 USPS Fairness Act

H.R. 2440 Full Utilization of the Harbor Maintenance Trust Fund Act

H.R. 2481 Gold Star Family Tax Relief Act

H.R. 2528 STEM Opportunities Act

H.R. 2720 Real Education for Healthy Youth Act of 2019

H.R. 2775 Protecting LGBTQ Youth Act

H.R. 2975 Women's Health Protect Act

H.R. 3129 Jeanette Acosta Invest in Women's Health Act

H.R. 3189 Improving Legal Services for Female Veterans Act

H.R. 3483 To require the Secretary of the Treasury to mint commemorative coins in recognition of the 75th anniversary of the integration of baseball.

H.J. Res. 46 Relating to a national emergency declared by the President on February 15, 2019.

H.J. Res. 59 Expressing support for designation of July 20th as "National Space Exploration Day" to commemorate the anniversary of the Apollo 11 moon landing.

H. Con. Res. 40 Supporting reproductive health care in the United States.

H. Res. 14 Authorizing the Speaker, on behalf of the House of Representatives, to intervene, otherwise appear, or take any other steps in the case of Texas v. United States, and in any appellate proceedings arising from such case, and for other purposes.

H. Res. 37 Honoring the life of Richard Arvin Overton.

H. Res. 84 Expressing the sense of the House of Representatives that Congress must amend the United States Code to prevent any future lapse in appropriations, and to permanently end government shutdowns.

H. Res. 124 Expressing opposition to banning service in the Armed Forces by openly transgender individuals.

H. Res. 246 Opposing efforts to delegitimize the State of Israel and the Global Boycott, Divestment, and Sanctions Movement targeting Israel.

H. Res. 271 Condemning the Trump Administration's Legal Campaign to Take Away Americans' Health Care.

H. Res. 287 Condemning the President's threat to shut down the United States-Mexico border to the detriment of the United States economy.

H. Res. 299 Condemning White Supremacist Terrorism and the Anti-immigrant Rhetoric that Inspires It Resolution

H. Res. 325 To express the sense of the House of Representatives that all briefings held by the President or Federal agencies should be made available to the press, except for under circumstances that are consistent with Federal law.

H. Res. 354 Celebrating the 100th anniversary of the passage and ratification of the 19th Amendment, providing for women's suffrage, to the Constitution of the United States.

H. Res. 388 Supporting the goals and ideals of the International Day Against Homophobia, Transphobia, and Biphobia.



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Hundreds of letters, emails, and phone calls come into Congresswoman Fletcher's office every day about legislation, issues, and concerns. Congresswoman Fletcher and her team keep track of the issues and **respond to all of them.**

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