

Washington, DC - Today, **Rep. Brad Miller (NC-13)** was named Chairman of the Science and Technology Subcommittee on Investigations and Oversight. The Subcommittee will deal with waste, fraud and abuse within executive branch agencies, including efforts to politicize scientific research and the appointment of non-scientists to scientific positions.

The Subcommittee will also deal with insuring whistleblower protection during the course of its investigations. Other major themes of the Subcommittee work may include; U.S. competitiveness, the off-shoring of jobs, and investigation into voting technology.

"You can count on our looking at scientific integrity issues under the Bush Administration," Miller said. "We'll start with investigations into the numerous reports of manipulating science to support policy, rigging advisory panels, and suppressing research by federal employees or with federal dollars."

Miller's appointment was approved by the House Science Committee and the Democratic Caucus. Rep. Miller also serves on the House Committees on Foreign Affairs and on Financial Services.