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Thank you for all your efforts to advance H. 233.

While we are generally amenable to Draft 2.1, and appreciate the need to limit the scope and membership of the working group, Common Good would like to propose a couple minor changes that we think will strengthen the outcomes of the informal working group and address key concerns of nonprofits:

1. Given the limited requirements for the working group and limited representation on it, we would like to add a new section with language along the lines of: "The entities shall take testimony from relevant stakeholders including but not limited to nonprofits who have been awarded a grant within the past year."
2. Revise Section 1(b)(4) to read: "(4) rule and process changes needed for efficient and predictable granting and contracting, **including but not limited to advance payments, grant agreement execution, and payment schedules**; and"

Thank you very much for considering and please do let me know if you have any questions or concerns.