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The House Oversight and Government Reform Committee considered the bill today and passed it by voice vote.

The bill now moves to the House floor for consideration.

"The Oversight Committee's passage of the Plain Language Act today is the next step in making government more accessible and accountable to American taxpayers," Braley said. "There's no reason why the federal government can't write their forms and other public documents in a way we can all understand."

"I'm going to keep pushing to pass the Plain Language bill into law, so American taxpayers can more easily work with and understand their government."

Braley introduced the Plain Language Act last September.