

July 22, 2014

The Honorable John Kline
Chairman
U.S. House Committee on Education and the Workforce
2181 Rayburn House Office Building
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Chairman Kline,

On behalf of the undersigned higher education associations, we write in support of passage of H.R. 3136, the *Advancing Competency-Based Education Demonstration Project Act*, H.R. 4983, the *Strengthening Transparency in Higher Education Act*, and H.R. 4984, the *Empowering Students through Enhanced Financial Counseling Act*. We are particularly pleased that all three of these bills received strong and widespread bipartisan support when the Committee approved them.

By focusing on the essential information needed by students and their families and eliminating unnecessary elements, HR 4983 will provide clear and actionable information. H.R. 4984 highlights the importance of providing financial aid recipients with a better understanding of the loan and grant programs that benefit them. The third measure, HR 3136, would streamline federal regulations to help institutions test a promising pedagogical practice.

Though our member campuses have some very specific concerns, we are encouraged by the efforts the Committee has already made to address them and the commitment they have made to continue working on them with us.

We thank you for your efforts to advance this legislation and offer our support in moving them forward.

Sincerely,



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On behalf of:

American Association of Collegiate Registrars and Admissions Officers
American Association of Community Colleges
American Association of State Colleges and Universities
American Council on Education
American Indian Higher Education Consortium
Association of American Universities
Association of Community College Trustees
Association of Governing Boards of Universities and Colleges
Association of Jesuit Colleges and Universities
Association of Public and Land-grant Universities
Council for Christian Colleges & Universities
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