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The Honorable John Kline
House Committee on Education and the Workforce
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Washington, D.C. 20515

The Honorable George Miller
House Committee on Education and the Workforce
2205 Rayburn House Office Building
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Re: House Education and Workforce Committee Markup of the Preventing Greater Uncertainty in Labor-Management Relations Act (H.R. 1120).

Dear Chairman Kline & Ranking Member Miller:

I am writing on behalf of the National School Transportation Association (NSTA) in response to legislation the House Education and Workforce Committee is considering this week regarding President Obama's unlawful recess appointments in 2012 to the National Labor Relations Board NLRB. We applaud Congressman Phil Roe (R-TN) and Chairman Kline's recognition that the President's unprecedented recess appointment scheme has severely undermined the work and integrity of the NLRB and support H.R.1120.

NSTA is the national trade association for private school bus companies that contract with school districts to provide pupil transportation. Our membership is comprised of a wide range of operators including small family-owned operations and large corporate entities operating many buses in multiple states. At close to 500,000 vehicles, the nation's yellow school bus fleet is the largest in the country and transports over 26 million children to and from school safely every day. Private contractors provide over a third of this service. NSTA is also a member of the Coalition for a Democratic Workforce (CDW), that is actively engaged on this issue.

We believe that this important legislation will prevent further confusion and uncertainty for business and labor by requiring the Board to cease activity until the issues involving the current Board are settled. Allowing the NLRB to pursue its work while its constitutional standing is in doubt should be prevented.

Sincerely,

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