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Dear FreedomWorks member,

As one of our millions of FreedomWorks members nationwide, I urge you to contact your Representative and urge him or her to support the "Supporting Knowledge and Investing in Lifelong Skills (SKILLS) Act", H.R. 803. Introduced by Rep. Virginia Foxx (NC-5), the bill would streamline the wasteful network of federal job training programs and give states more control over how the money for these programs is spent.

Currently, there are over forty unique job training programs scattered across the agencies of the federal government, and most of them overlap to some extent, wasting untold amounts of taxpayers' dollars in the bureaucracy. The SKILLS act seeks to put that money to use more efficiently by combining 35 of these federal agencies and allowing states more control over the allocation of those funds and programs.

Although the ideal solution would be to keep the federal government out of the realm of employment and job training altogether, reducing waste and duplication in the government is always an improvement. More importantly, states will always have the better knowledge of the needs of their populations, so giving them more control over programs that affect their citizens is bound to be an improvement upon the operations of a distant federal bureaucracy.

I urge you to contact your Representative and ask him or her to support H.R. 803, the SKILLS Act, today.

Sincerely,

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