



The Honorable Virginia Foxx
Chairwoman
Committee on Education & the Workforce U.S.
House of Representatives
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The Honorable Bobby Scott
Ranking Member
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Dear Chairwoman Foxx and Ranking Member Scott,

The National College Attainment Network (NCAN), a bipartisan membership organization of 500 organizations working to help students from low-income families go to and through college, **supports the FAFSA Deadline Act**, H.R. 8932. NCAN members, and all organizations serving students, benefit from predictability and adequate time to train and prepare counselors and K-12 administrators to use the tools to support students when the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) is released.

Codifying an October 1 FAFSA release date is an important step to ensure that students and families can successfully complete their financial aid applications. College access and success programs also need resources and tools – including the federal student aid estimator, the FAFSA demonstration site, communication and training materials, and other guides – produced well in advance of the launch date, to allow counselors to best support students in accessing financial aid to pay for college.

NCAN appreciates the House Committee on Higher Education and the Workforce's attention to this issue.