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Dear Representative:

On behalf of the National Association of Student Financial Aid Administrators representing financial aid administrators at approximately 3,000 postsecondary institutions, I am writing to express our strong support for the student bankruptcy amendment to be offered by Representative Davis.

The amendment restores elemental fairness to student loan borrowers who need the protection afforded by bankruptcy law treating them and their student loans the same under bankruptcy law as the law treats other individuals seeking bankruptcy protection who have other consumer debts. The 1997 National Bankruptcy Review Commission, a bipartisan Commission founded by Congress, determined that there was no evidence to support the assertion that students systematically abused dischargeability.

Finally, we believe the amendment will not result in an across-the-board decrease in loan availability nor will it appreciably, if at all, raise interest rates or borrower costs. The amendment would not allow a student loan borrower from rushing into bankruptcy upon graduation from school. The amendment prevents the inclusion of a student loan in a bankruptcy proceeding unless five years has passed.

Again, we urge all members to vote for the Davis amendment.

Sincerely,

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