

Dear Member of Congress:

On behalf of the millions of Americans for Prosperity (AFP) activists across all 50 states, I write in support of H.R. 6951, the College Cost Reduction Act (CCRA), led by Representative Virginia Foxx (NC) and ask you to cosponsor this legislation.

The CCRA represents a conservative approach to tackle the challenges of soaring tuition costs and focuses on four critical elements: preventing executive overreach, creating free market solutions, limiting government intervention, and increasing transparency and accountability.

H.R. 6951 plays a crucial role in preventing the executive branch from overreaching its constitutional authority by prohibiting the Department of Education from transferring hundreds of billions in student debt to already struggling American families. This legislation ensures accountability and protects the integrity of our constitutional system by safeguarding Congress's 'power of the purse' and preventing unelected bureaucrats from making consequential unilateral policy decisions.

This legislation promotes innovation by encouraging competition in the higher education sector and curbs subsidies to institutions and degree programs that fail to deliver economic value to students. H.R.6951 advances reforms that improve the quality of education and drive down costs for students and taxpayers.

Americans for Prosperity affirms the need to reduce government barriers and subsidies that for too long have distorted the cost of higher education. H.R. 6951 achieves this objective by creating the conditions for market pressures – not heavy-handed government regulations – to hold schools accountable.

Furthermore, H.R. 6951 promotes transparency in college costs, preventing higher education institutions from using pricing gimmicks and confusing financial aid packages to mask the actual cost. This empowers students and parents to make trade-off decisions about college or alternative options and choose the educational pathway that best fits their needs.

We applaud Representative Virginia Foxx for her leadership and appreciate the House Committee on Education and the Workforce for their thoughtful consideration and ultimate passage of this legislation out of committee. We ask for your support of H.R. 6951 as this bill moves forward.

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