

May 24, 2011

Member
United States Senate
Washington, DC 20510

RE: H. Con. Res. 34, House-passed Fiscal Year 2012 Budget Resolution

Dear Senator:

On behalf of the 95,000 school board members who represent our nation's 50 million public schoolchildren, the National School Boards Association urges you to vote "NO" on the House-passed Fiscal Year 2012 Budget Resolution, H. Con. Res. 34, which would drastically reduce funding for our nation's investment in education.

H.Con. Res. 34 would impose a reduction of \$18 billion for education and related programs under Function 500 in the FY 2012 budget, thereby threatening allocations for education mandates such as special education and *No Child Left Behind Act* requirements. These programs are already underfunded; and, further reductions would place a larger burden on school districts and states that cannot sustain the level of education aid in this economic downturn.

Again, NSBA strongly opposes H.Con. Res. 34 and urges you to vote against the measure, which would impede our school districts' progress in student achievement.

Questions regarding NSBA's position may be directed to Deborah Rigsby at (703) 838-6208, or by email at drigsby@nsba.org. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,



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