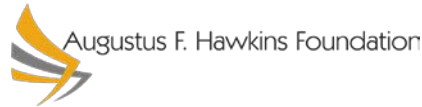




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July 7, 2014

The Honorable John Kline
United States House of Representatives
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The Honorable George Miller
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The Honorable Virginia Foxx
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The Honorable Rubén Hinojosa
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Dear Representatives Kline, Miller, Foxx and Hinojosa:

We, the undersigned organizations, strongly support the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA, H.R. 803, as passed the Senate). We urge every member of the House of Representatives to vote in favor of H.R. 803.

There is consensus that the Workforce Investment Act (WIA) is long overdue for reauthorization. To be competitive in a 21st Century economy, our country needs a robust workforce and adult education system supported by an increase in investment in quality services, resources and training. WIOA would achieve these goals through much needed modernization and streamlining of the nation's current workforce system, helping those Americans who are out of work receive the training they need and the support they require to obtain employment.

As drafted, WIOA is a carefully crafted compromise that properly balances federal, state, and local interests, that is designed to move our nation's workforce system into the 21st Century, and that each of our organizations is proud to support. We applaud you for your bipartisan work on this bill, a bill that deserves a yes vote from every member of Congress.

Sincerely yours,

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