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Expressing the sense of the Congress with regard to the amount that should be appropriated for fiscal year 1996 for federally assisted education programs and activities.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

FEBRUARY 1, 1996

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CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

Expressing the sense of the Congress with regard to the amount that should be appropriated for fiscal year 1996 for federally assisted education programs and activities.

Whereas investment in the learning capacity of this and future generations of children is crucial to both the long-term economic strength, and the continued cultural growth, of the United States;

Whereas the American people have indicated that improving the quality of education is one of their highest priorities;

Whereas 1,100,000 children are in danger of losing crucial Federal financial help in reading, writing, mathematics, and advanced reasoning in the 1996–97 school year;

Whereas millions of children are in danger of losing access to school-to-work innovations, benefits of locally developed school improvement and student achievement initiatives, and critical services aimed at reducing drug use and violence in schools;

Whereas, the uncertainty in the amount of Federal financial assistance to be appropriated in fiscal year 1996 for education, caused by repeated stopgap funding, is extremely

disruptive to local schools and prevents school authorities from engaging in necessary budget planning;

Whereas such planning is contingent on the estimates made by the Department of Education of funding allocations for federally assisted programs and activities; and

Whereas the date of publication of the estimated funding allocation for the principal Federal school assistance program is March 15, 1996: Now, therefore, be it

1 *Resolved by the House of Representatives (the Senate*
 2 *concurring)*, That it is the sense of the Congress that, not
 3 later than March 15, 1996, the Congress should appro-
 4 priate for fiscal year 1996 for each continuing program
 5 or activity of the Department of Education not less than
 6 the amount appropriated for fiscal year 1995 for such pro-
 7 gram or activity.

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