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Subject: LAW E-Alert: House Set to Consider H.R. 3221 and Two Glaring Amendments

September 16 — Today, the House will begin consideration of H.R. 3221, the Student Aid and Fiscal Responsibility Act of 2009. The House will consider the bill along with 24 amendments. Therefore, it is unclear whether the House will be able to complete action today or tomorrow.

ACCT wanted to alert community college supporters about two problematic amendments. First, Rep. Virginia Foxx (R-NC) will offer an amendment to strike the entire American Graduation Initiative, Title V, (but maintains the community college modernization section) and put the savings toward deficit reduction. The Foxx amendment would eliminate \$7 billion in funding over ten years for community college academic, remedial and job training programs. Second, Rep. Peter Hoekstra (R-MI) is offering an amendment to eliminate Title III, this would eliminate Section 351, which provides \$2.5 billion for community college modernization and construction. ACCT is opposed to both of these amendments and encourages each community college leader to voice their opposition to these two amendments.

A letter can be sent directly to your representatives through ACCT's Policy Center online at <http://www.congressweb.com/cweb4/index.cfm?orgcode=acct>. Additionally, you should also make phone calls to your representatives in support of H.R. 3221. Representatives may be reached utilizing the Capitol Switchboard, 202-224-3121.

ACCT's H.R. 3221 summary of community college related items within the bill can be found at: <http://www.acct.org/HR3221-Summary.pdf>. For more information, contact Jee Hang Lee at jhlee@acct.org or (202) 775-4450.

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If you have not contacted your Representative on the bill, please do so and urge them to oppose the Foxx amendment.

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