

April 28, 2025

The Honorable Chuck Grassley United States Senate 135 Hart Senate Office Building Washington, DC 20510

Dear Senator Grassley,

On behalf of Education Finance Council (EFC), I am writing to endorse the re-introduction of the *Know Before You Owe Federal Student Loan Act*. EFC supports this legislation and your efforts to improve federal student loan counseling. Students deserve regular and more comprehensive information about paying for postsecondary education, and the *Know Before You Owe Federal Student Loan Act* equips them with the tools they need to make informed decisions.

EFC's state-based, nonprofit membership — which includes ISL Education Lending — offers extensive college planning, borrower counseling, and financial literacy programs to millions of students and families in their states throughout the year. These organizations know that counseling students throughout their time in school is critical to set them up for long-term success. Many EFC members also work with borrowers in repayment and can similarly attest to the important role that individualized counseling plays in reducing delinquency and default.

EFC proudly endorses the *Know Before You Owe Federal Student Loan Act* and its common-sense reforms to federal student loan counseling requirements. EFC looks forward to working with you to move this important legislation forward.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if EFC can be of assistance to you or your staff in any way.

Sincerely,

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