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Vote YES on H.R. 2486

Support Needed for Native Higher Education Programs

TCUs, AN/NHSIs, and NASNTIs

Tribally Controlled Colleges & Universities (TCUs), Alaska Native & Native Hawaiian Serving Institutions (AN/NHSIs), Native American Serving Non-Tribal Institutions (NASNTIs) and their students stand to lose $50 million per year if Congress does not act to pass the bipartisan and bicameral FUTURE Act, H.R. 2486 and S. 1279, soon. The FUTURE Act would extend vitally needed student support, academic, and infrastructure funding for TCUs and Native-serving institutions, as well as HBCUs and HSIs.

The time to act is now. On Tuesday, September 17, the U.S. House of Representatives is scheduled to vote on H.R. 2486. Though this program has been in existence for a decade, it is set to terminate on September 30, 2019 without immediate action. This measure is very important to Native student success in postsecondary education, which is critical to tribal economic and community development and the future growth of Indian Country.

H.R. 2486 is on the House “Suspension” calendar, and passage requires that 2/3rds of all Members present and voting support the measure. Therefore, widespread support is critical. We hope that all tribal nations, along with all of our members, will contact their congressional representatives by Tuesday, September 17 to urge them to vote YES on H.R. 2486.

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The 50th Annual NIEA Convention and Trade Show
Minneapolis, MN, Oct. 8-12, 2019.

Registration is open to all educators, advocates, tribal leaders, researchers, parents, students....anyone who cares about Native education is encouraged to attend.

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