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United States Senate
Washington, DC 20510

Dear Senator:

On behalf of our 3 million members and the 50 million students they serve, we strongly urge you to VOTE YES on the Congressional Review Act (CRA) resolution to roll back the 1332 waiver rule that threatens health coverage for the 130 million Americans with pre-existing conditions—arthritis, cancer, heart disease, asthma, diabetes, kidney disease, pregnancy, and more. Votes associated with this issue may be included in NEA’s Report Card for the 116th Congress.

The 1332 waiver rule, part of the administration’s ongoing war against comprehensive health coverage, would undo the progress of recent years. Insurance companies could once again discriminate against people with pre-existing conditions. States could use taxpayer dollars to push junk health insurance plans for which patients pay more and get less. In addition to pre-existing conditions, junk plans often do not cover essential benefits like prescription drugs and maternity or mental health care.

For all these reasons, we strongly urge you to VOTE YES on the CRA resolution scheduled to come to the floor this week.

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