Education Taskforce Report for 2015

2015 ACTIVITIES

The Task Force was active and continued to meet monthly on the 2nd Friday's of the month from 12:30-2 pm. This year was almost exclusively focused on the reauthorization of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act, that was signed into law by President Obama as the Every Student Succeeds Act in December. The task force also worked on preparing for the reauthorizations of the Higher Education Act, Perkins Career Tech Act, and towards passage of the Keeping All Students Safe Act. The task force also continues to work with ED on implementation of the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act with coordinates with the Fiscal Policy Task Force on appropriations for education programs.

FUTURE ACTIVITIES

- The task force will work on implementation of the Every Student Succeeds Act.
- The task force will continue to work to secure passage of the Keeping All Students Safe Act, IDEA Full Funding bill, and other legislation.
- The task force will continue to work closely with the HELP and Education and Workforce Committees on reauthorization of the Higher Education Act and Perkin’s Career Tech Act provisions related to disability.
- The task force will continue to monitor and work on strengthening implementation and enforcement of the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act.

CO-CHAIRS IN 2015:

Kim Musheno – Association of University Centers on Disabilities
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