

BOX 4.2 “Dear Colleague” Letter

Dear Colleague:

The Committee on Rules may meet the week of February 23rd to grant a rule that could limit the amendment process for floor consideration of H.R. 5, the Student Success Act.

Any Member wishing to offer an amendment must submit a searchable electronic copy of the amendment, which should be provided by the Office of Legislative Counsel, via the Rules Committee’s website. Members must also submit 30 hard copies of the amendment, one copy of a brief explanation of the amendment, and an amendment login form to the Rules Committee in room H-312 of the Capitol **by 3:00 p.m. on Monday, February 23, 2015**. Both electronic and hard copies must be received by the date and time specified.

Members should draft their amendments to the text of Rules Committee Print 114-8, which contains the text of H.R. 5 as ordered reported by the Committee on Education and the Workforce and is available on the Rules Committee website.

Members should use the Office of Legislative Counsel to ensure that their amendments are drafted in the most appropriate format. Members should also check with the Congressional Budget Office for a preliminary assessment of their amendments’ budgetary effects. Finally, members should check with the Office of the Parliamentarian and the Committee on the Budget to be certain their amendments comply with the rules of the House and the Congressional Budget Act. If you have any questions, please contact myself or Karas Pattison of the Committee staff at 225-9191.

SOURCE: <http://rules.house.gov/news/announcement/amendment-process-announcement-hr-5-1> of the House of Representatives Committee on Rules, Amendment Process Announcement for H.R. 5, February 18th, 2015.