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Dear Members of the U.S. Senate:

As leaders of the nation's business, civil rights and disability communities, we support Senate Amendment 2156 to the *Every Child Achieves Act*, offered by Senators Capito and Durbin.

Senate Amendment 2156 would ensure parents, educators and policymakers have access to publicly reported data on postsecondary enrollment and remediation rates for high school graduates, both overall and for categories of students. This information will provide valuable insights on whether K-12 schools are achieving their ultimate aim: preparing all students to succeed after high school.

Despite the growing importance of a college degree in today's economy, many young people do not enroll in postsecondary education, and of those who do, far too many are not prepared for credit-bearing work. This problem is most acute among low-income students, students of color, English learners and students with disabilities — the very students who stand to gain the most from the economic and civic benefits of a college education.

Publicly reported data on postsecondary enrollment and remediation rates will enable educators and policymakers to: learn from schools and districts that are successfully preparing graduates for college and career; raise the performance of those that are inadequately serving students; and increase the number of young people who graduate from high school prepared for success in college and beyond.

We urge you to support student success by voting "YES" on Senate Amendment 2156.

Thank you in advance for your support.