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MEMORANDUM

September 12, 2025

To: Members, Subcommittee on Economic Growth, Energy Policy, and Regulatory Affairs

From: Committee Staff

Re: Hearing titled “Opening Doors to Opportunity: The Promise of Expanded School Choice and Alternatives to Four-Year College Degrees”

On **Wednesday, September 17, 2025, at 10:00 a.m. ET in 2247 Rayburn House Office Building**, the Subcommittee on Economic Growth, Energy Policy, and Regulatory Affairs will host a hearing titled “Opening Doors to Opportunity: The Promise of Expanded School Choice and Alternatives to Four-Year College Degrees.”

I. BACKGROUND:

The passage of H.R. 1, the One Big Beautiful Bill Act, created the first ever national school choice program, which provides for each state to opt into the legislation’s tax-credit-based scholarship program. At the K-12 educational level, school choice programs across the U.S. seek to improve learning outcomes, student experience, and preparation for the workforce.

II. HEARING PURPOSE:

This hearing will provide an opportunity for Members to evaluate opportunities provided by growth in school choice at the K-12 level and expansion of post-secondary educational alternatives.

III. WITNESSES:

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