

## Questions for the Record by Democrat Members

### Questions from Rep. Ruben Gallego for the Honorable Joe Garcia:

1. In an ideal world, what would BIE's decision-making process about the upcoming school year have looked like?
2. The Broken Promises report by the U.S. Commission on Civil Rights found that remote areas in Indian Country lack telecommunications infrastructure and broadband access.
  - a. How has the lack of infrastructure and broadband access affected Native students during this pandemic?
  - b. How will this affect achievement gaps?
3. The CARES Act provided \$153 million for BIE schools. Is this funding enough to meet the needs of Native students?

### Questions from Rep. Raúl Grijalva for the Honorable Joe Garcia:

1. We have reviewed reporting by the GAO and Department of Interior's Office of Inspector General indicating that BIE facilities are currently in subpar conditions and do not meet health and safety standards.
  - a. Can you share your concerns about BIE school facilities, in subpar conditions, meeting the CDC's guidelines to safely reopen schools?