



**Oral proponent testimony before**

**House K12 Education Budget Committee**

**On**

**HCR 5004, urging Congress to fully fund IDEA**

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Madam Chair and Members of the Committee,

KASB appears today in favor of HCR 5004, with a respectful suggestion for an improvement.

KASB's member adopted policies support full funding of the Individuals with Disabilities Act at the federal level. In addition, our members support the state providing its statutory pledge of 92% of statewide excess costs *after the federal share is calculated and appropriated*.

We'd like to suggest an addition to the HCR clarifying that Congress and the state legislature must each do their part to fully fund Special Education.

Thank you.

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