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The Honorable Don Perata
Senate President Pro Tem
California State Capitol
Sacramento, CA 95814

Dear Senator Perata:

On behalf of [insert organization name here], I am writing in support of Assembly Bill 751 (Chu).

AB 751 would require the private purveyors of college financial aid and scholarship advising services to register and post a bond with the California Student Aid Commission (CSAC). By doing so, AB 751 would provide protections to many Latino, low-income, and immigrant families who fall prey to unscrupulous individuals and organizations that promise them assistance in obtaining financial aid and wind up scamming them out of their hard-earned money.

In addition, under this bill CSAC would establish a website where individuals could report fraudulent activities and learn more about financial aid and scholarship fraud. Lastly, by requiring contracts to be written in the primary language of the parent or student, there could be a reduction in fraud as families could more easily understand terms of the agreement.

I respectfully request your support of this bill which will help protect hard-working families and students from unscrupulous individuals and organizations. Should you require any additional information or support, please contact [insert appropriate information here].

Sincerely,

Name

Title

Address if not on letterhead

cc: The Honorable Richard Ackerman, Senate Republican Leader
Members, California State Senate