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Dear C ul 20-1MC -26.848 c 18.9air, V ic0-1TJ 0 o 20-JTJ 0 anc 18.9d anc 12 (k)-36 2(inc 18.9gc 18[2 M
Subcommittee to a level that ensures robust and sustained investments so
et vital needs. Given the funding cuts sustained in this bill 024FW2
e tight ne defense discretionary (NDD) cap for FY 2025 does not result in
the necessary services and programs this subcommittee oversees, and that
o increased urgent needs. We also urge you to seek funding outside the
needs responsibly.

unded by the Labor Education Subcommittee have a profound impact
l development, educational and skills attainment, and productivity. Yet
hortchanged in the appropriation process since spending caps were first
in under the cap for FY 2024. We strongly recommend an allocation that
from years of underfunding these essential programs. The need for these
yn over time, leaving imple HSE services and programs (the 36(s) hat programs in the Labor-
income children without access to high quality preschool and other
ities.

only one in nine eligible children under age 6, with childcare providers
four early childhood educators take second jobs to make ends meet.
ss to skills development and education opportunities necessary to access
which employers are currently hiring key contributing factor for why
participation rate remains at historic lows a time when there are
os for every unemployed person.

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