House Republican Funding Bill Denies Education and Training Opportunities for Students and Job Seekers at All Stages of Life in Maine

The House Republican 2025 Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education bill, and its 11 percent cut of \$24.6 billion, portends their intent to end public education in America and eliminate job opportunities for young adults and working families.

In Maine, the extreme House Republican bill would:

- **Kick teachers out of classrooms.** Under this bill, during a severe nationwide teacher shortage, **240** teachers could be removed from classrooms serving low-income students in Maine due to House Republican **cuts to Title I**.
- Eliminate services for English learners. The House Republican bill eliminates federal support for vital academic services for 5,600 English learners in Maine through the elimination of English Language Acquisition (Title III).
- Slash Federal Work Study in half. The bill cuts Federal Work Study for 3,400 students who need it in Maine to help finance a postsecondary education, limiting their potential earnings and future success in the job market.
- Slash need-based financial aid in half. The House Republican's bill takes away need-based financial aid for 5,200 students in Maine through deep cuts to Supplemental Educational Opportunity Grants (SEOG).
- Eliminate youth employment opportunities. The bill eliminates WIOA Youth Job Training, which would deny job training and employment services for 400 youth in Maine who face barriers to finding a good paying job.
- Slash adult employment opportunities. The bill cuts WIOA Adult Job Training, which would deny job training and employment services for **700** adults in Maine who face barriers to finding a good paying job.