IMPACT OF THE ONE BIG BEAUTIFUL BILL ACT

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ONE BIG BEAUTIFUL BILL ACT- IMPACTS EFFECTIVE FOR 2026-27 ACADEMIC YEAR

- Elimination of the Federal Graduate PLUS Loan Program Loss of \$27M
- Limit Annual Borrowing from Federal Parent PLUS Loan to \$20,000 Per Student, Per Academic Year – Loss of \$23M
- Limit Total Borrowing from Federal Parent PLUS Loan to \$65,000 Per Student – Loss of \$36M
- Schedule of Reductions of Federal Student Loans by Credit Hours Enrolled – Dollar Impact Unknown

*All of these changes will likely increase private educational loan borrowing.



OPERATIONAL MYSTERIES

Negotiated Rulemaking – RISE Committee

- Implementation Date of OBBBA July 1,2026
- Definition of a Professional Student
- Legacy Provisions PLUS Loan Programs
 - Students enrolled less than half-time
- Schedule of Reductions Federal Student Loans



ONE BIG BEAUTIFUL BILL — OUR INVOLVEMENT



- Worked closely with SC Delegation, providing impact analysis and recommendation
- Worked closely with the National Association of Student Financial Aid Administrators (NASFAA) in advising legislative staff of impacts
- Currently talking with private loan lenders on expectations and challenges, for both lenders and institutions.



THANKS!

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