



During 2013- the Perkins Task Force conducted the following activities:

Early in 2013 the Perkins Task Force developed a draft proposal to submit to the House and Senate education committees in response to their requests for reauthorization ideas.

The Campus Flex proposal, as it was named, was discussed and approved by the Board and then put forward for review and comment during the Mid-Year COHEAO during the Perkins Task Force meeting. The proposal received wide support from the community because it provided greater flexibility for schools, maintained the fundamental components of the Perkins Loan program yet addressed Congress' call for a more streamlined and simplified student aid program.

Updated talking points and a one page description was also developed by the Perkins Task Force.

On August 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2014, Harrison Wadsworth, on behalf of COHEAO submitted the Campus Flex proposal to the House Education and Workforce Committee and sent it to the Senate Health, Education, Labor and Pensions Committee shortly thereafter.

During the next COHEAO board meeting, board members took copies and updated talking points to House and Senate staff. Board members met specifically with Education Committee staffers on both sides.

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