

# ACCESS ACT

Accessible Campus Commuting and Expanded Student Savings



- The **Accessible Campus Commuting and Expanded Student Savings Act** would help American families using 529 plans to apply their savings toward a broader range of education-related expenses, ultimately **making college and apprenticeship programs more accessible and affordable**.
- Though transportation is a significant non-tuition barrier for many students, the **cost of transportation is often overlooked** as students weigh the affordability of higher education.
- High transportation costs could **hurt student retention and success** at a time when institutions are already seeing **declining enrollments post-COVID**.

- Although this bill is just one piece of the puzzle to alleviate student pressure, **we believe it is a necessary one that addresses real concerns felt by students and their families**.
- Specifically, the Accessible College Campus and Expanded Student Savings (ACCESS) Act extends eligible educational expenses covered by the 529 Program to **include student parking and transportation costs** at colleges, universities, and apprenticeship programs.

