



Opening Statement of Rep. Virginia Foxx (R-NC), Chairwoman Committee on Education and the Workforce Hearing: "Member Day" December 1, 2023

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Thanks to all of our guests for joining this year's Member Day hearing.

Non-committee Members are invited to share stories, policies, and issues from their home districts to help inform our decision making as we move forward with legislation.

The Committee plans soon to pass key pieces of legislation impacting postsecondary education and the workforce, so we greatly value the input of Members regarding their priorities.

As one of the hardest working committees in Congress, the Committee on Education and the Workforce is an effective audience and advocate for Members' concerns. We've reported 23 bills and resolutions from this Committee so far this year, and eleven have passed the full House.

Furthermore, I am a firm believer that no Committee speaks to the issues impacting everyday working Americans quite like the Committee on Education and the Workforce. Our jurisdiction spans from child care to college classrooms to pension funds and everything in between.

For these reasons, a wide variety of perspectives are not just admissible, but welcomed and encouraged. I look forward to Members providing the Committee with views today which help broaden our horizons.