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Rep. Kind Cosponsors Bill to Extend the Perkins Loan Program

Bill would extend the Perkins Loan Program for 2 years for currently enrolled students

La Crosse – Today, **US Rep. Ron Kind** cosponsored the bipartisan bill, *H.R. 2482 – the Federal Perkins Loan Program Extension Act of 2017*, which will extend the Perkins Loan Program for a period of 2 years so that students enrolled in the program can continue to receive financial aid. Currently, the Perkins Loan program is scheduled to expire on September 30, 2017. If the program is allowed to expire, around 500,000 students across the country will lose access to the program.

“Western and Central Wisconsin is home to fourteen colleges, technical colleges, and private universities with more than 71,000 undergraduate students, which makes affordable higher education a top priority,” said **Rep. Ron Kind**. “As more and more students work full-time while attending school, or take a non-traditional path to earning their degree, it is important we support them with loan and grant options that fit their needs. That’s why I have been working to extend this vital program.”

Rep. Kind’s office is available to assist with inquiries regarding federally-issued student loans and grants. If you or someone you know has a question or concern about federally-issued student loans and grants, please call Rep. Kind’s office toll-free: 1-888-442-8040, or visit www.kind.house.gov.