

# CASFAA Federal Issues Committee

June 25, 2015  
2:00pm – 3:00pm

Conference Call  
(1-888-450-4821 Participant Passcode: 175728)

## 1. NPRM Cash Management Response Letter – comments due July 2

Additional comments and suggestions were received from members. A revised version will be sent today for final approval. The letter will then be forwarded to Executive Council for approval.

## 2. Proposed Cuts to Pell Grant

Anafe will send a blast to the CASFAA community requesting members to login to the Senate and House websites to oppose cuts to Pell.

- House -  
[http://www.nasfaa.org/Main/orig/2015/open/House\\_Spending\\_Bill\\_Would\\_Cut\\_Pell\\_Block\\_College\\_Ratings.aspx](http://www.nasfaa.org/Main/orig/2015/open/House_Spending_Bill_Would_Cut_Pell_Block_College_Ratings.aspx)
- Senate -  
[http://www.nasfaa.org/Main/orig/2015/open/Senate\\_Spending\\_Bill\\_Cuts\\_FWS\\_FSEOG.aspx](http://www.nasfaa.org/Main/orig/2015/open/Senate_Spending_Bill_Cuts_FWS_FSEOG.aspx)  
<http://www.appropriations.senate.gov/news/fy16-lhhs-subcommittee-markup-bill-summary>
- ACCT Action Alert – Oppose Cuts to Pell Grant  
June 25, 2015 - Both the House and Senate are currently moving forward with bills that would include significant cuts to the Pell Grant program. This morning, the Senate will markup its FY 2016 Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education appropriations bill. The bill includes numerous cuts to higher education, including a \$300 million rescission of Pell Grant funding. The bill also reduces funding for SEOG, Federal Work Study, Adult Basic Education, grants under the Workforce Investment and Opportunity Act, and Minority Serving Institutions.

While the House bill does not encompass the scope of higher education funding cuts seen by the Senate bill, it does include a \$370 million cut to the Pell Grant program. This cuts into the Pell Grant surplus, and would likely lead to a shortfall for the program in FY 2017.

We are requesting your help in contacting both the House and Senate to oppose these cuts.

Letter to oppose the Senate's bill: <http://action.acct.org/18080/oppose-senates-labor-hhs-education-funding-bill/>

Letter to oppose the House's bill: <http://action.acct.org/18079/oppose-houses-labor-hhs-education-funding-bill/>

## 3. Other Items

REPAYE -

## 4. Next meeting – July 9, 2015