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Representative Miller, J.

**Cosponsors: Representatives Ingram, Lepore-Hagan, Lightbody, Miranda,
Sobecki, Patterson**

A R E S O L U T I O N

Encouraging the Ohio Senate to reconsider its vote 1
to not concur with the House amendments to S.B. 2
89 and, instead, to vote to concur in those 3
amendments, encouraging the General Assembly to 4
take all necessary actions to enact that 5
legislation, and encouraging the Governor to 6
promptly sign and file that act with the 7
Secretary of State. 8

**BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE OF
OHIO:**

WHEREAS, Due to the extraordinary circumstances resulting 9
from the COVID-19 pandemic, it is imperative that the General 10
Assembly enact legislation that assists the school districts of 11
this state; and 12

WHEREAS, S.B. 89 of the 133rd General Assembly, as passed 13
by the Ohio House of Representatives on February 5, 2020, makes 14
changes to the eligibility criteria and operation of the 15
Educational Choice Scholarship Program and the expansion of that 16
program; and 17

WHEREAS, Changes to the Educational Choice Scholarship 18

Program prior to the opening of the application period for 19
scholarships for the 2020-2021 school year on April 1, 2020, are 20
necessary to allow for school districts in this state to recover 21
from the effects of the COVID-19 pandemic; and 22

WHEREAS, A failure to make changes to the Educational 23
Choice Scholarship Program will continue to take money and 24
resources from public schools that are in dire need of financial 25
assistance due to the COVID-19 pandemic; and 26

WHEREAS, S.B. 89 of the 133rd General Assembly, as passed 27
by the Ohio House of Representatives on February 5, 2020, also 28
restores local control for school districts by putting an end to 29
Academic Distress Commissions, thereby allowing for healing to 30
take place in those districts; and 31

WHEREAS, The provisions of S.B. 89 as passed by the Ohio 32
House of Representatives on February 5, 2020, support public 33
education in this state and would permit all school districts to 34
start the 2020-2021 school year on a positive note; and 35

WHEREAS, It is time for the General Assembly to finally 36
take action and help the schools districts of this state; now 37
therefore be it 38

RESOLVED, That the Ohio House of Representatives encourages 39
the Ohio Senate to reconsider its vote on February 12, 2020, not 40
to concur with the House amendments to S.B. 89 and, instead, to 41
vote to concur with those amendments; and be it further 42

RESOLVED, That the Ohio House of Representatives encourages 43
the General Assembly to take all necessary actions to cancel the 44
proposed conference committee for S.B. 89, which the House 45
requested on February 12, 2020, and to enact that legislation; 46
and be it further 47

RESOLVED, That the Ohio House of Representatives encourages 48
the Governor, upon receipt of the act, to promptly sign it and 49

file it with the Secretary of State; and be it further	50
RESOLVED, That the Clerk of the House of Representatives	51
transmit duly authenticated copies of this resolution to the	52
Governor, the President of the Senate, and the news media of	53
Ohio.	54