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**H. R. No. 333**

**Representative Miller, J.**

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

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**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