

“Today’s transportation and student loan package addressed two of our country’s most pressing and highest priorities: job creation and college affordability. In addition to creating millions of much needed jobs, preventing the loan rate from doubling for over 460,000 students in Texas and [reducing the deficit](#) , today’s legislation shows the ability of Congress to work together to address solutions for the American people. For far too long, these initiatives had been held up for months by partisan obstructionism and unrelated controversial policy riders. This obstructionism does not represent American values or our country’s best interests. Moving forward, it is my hope that we can use today’s example and set aside election year politics to work on common sense solutions to create jobs.”

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