



Friend,

Thank you to everyone who called their Representatives and made their voices heard. This morning we -- once again -- defeated legislation to establish a school voucher program. This devastating, and unconstitutional, piece of legislation would have sent crucial taxpayer dollars to private and religious schools.

The vote this morning was razor thin. The first motion was decided by only a 173-168 margin.

Even with 400 House members major policy decisions can be decided by only a handful of votes. This is why we fought so hard these past two years to retain our Democratic seats and flip Republican-held seats from [Red to Blue](#) in special elections.

Every door we knocked, every phone call we made, and every dollar we raised made a difference, especially today. Thanks to everyone's support and generous contributions, we flipped traditionally Republican seats and gained five more Democratic votes.

We have a real opportunity to regain a Democratic majority this November. Once we are in the majority we can stop playing defense and start playing offense! But we can't do it without your help. [Can you contribute \\$25, \\$50, or however much you can afford to support our work to elect a Democratic majority?](#) Every dollar makes a difference as we fight to hold on to our Democratic seats and flip Republican seats from Red to Blue.

Thank you,

Steve Shurtleff

House Democratic Leader