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## THE PARTNERSHIP FOR PUBLIC SERVICE APPLAUDS SENATOR VOINOVICH'S GENERATING OPPORTUNITY BY FORGIVING EDUCATIONAL DEBT FOR SERVICE ACT

Washington, D.C. -- The Partnership for Public Service released the following statement in support of Senator Voinovich's *Generating Opportunity by Forgiving Educational Debt for Service Act*, introduced today:

*"At a time when the federal government faces significant challenges in recruiting new talent, it is increasingly important to find incentives to attract the best and brightest to government service. Senator Voinovich's Generating Opportunity by Forgiving Educational Debt for Service (GOFEDS) Act will do much to strengthen existing student loan repayment programs and enhance their effectiveness as a recruitment and retention tool by exempting them from taxation.*

*The Partnership for Public Service has long championed this legislation, because we know that the burden of student loan debt drives many talented young people away from public service in favor of higher-paying private sector jobs. The GOFEDS Act will help slow this trend and enable the federal government to recruit much-needed new talent to the federal workforce.*

*We commend Senator Voinovich for his ongoing leadership and commitment to helping the federal government recruit the next generation of government leaders."*

- Max Stier, President and CEO  
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