port, which will be completed this spring, will be formally approved by both orga-

It is recognized that a significant reason for striving for higher education is to earn a better living and to achieve a better life; cooperative education offers young people the opportunity to begin earning and become productive members of society earlier.

Recognizing that the Congress is considering legislation which affects cooperative education and the members of our organizations, the Cooperative Education Division of the American Society for Engineering Education and the Cooperative

Education Association recommend and request:

1. That any authorization of the Congress for appropriations for expanding and promoting cooperative education in institutions of higher education be separate from authorization for funds providing part-time employment for students. It is essential that a clear distinction be made between cooperative education and work-study in the legislation and its implementation. The primary purpose of cooperative education is to provide educationally-related work experience for any student who may benefit, while work-study programs primarily provide part-time employment and financial aid for economically disadvantaged students.

2. That a committee of persons knowledgeable in the field of cooperative education be established to advise the Commissioner of Education regarding policies and regulations related to legislation which may be enacted. We are pleased to offer, on behalf of our organizations, whatever assistance

may be desired.
3. That institutional support for cooperative education not be based on income criteria of parents or other financial support available to students

who participate in such programs.

4. That funds which may be appropriated for support of cooperative education by the Congress be administered by the Office of Education, with requests for such funds submitted directly to this Office and grants made directly to institutions or through appropriate governmental agencies.

The Cooperative Education Division of the American Society for Engineering Education and the Cooperative Education Association believe that federal support is both necessary and desirable for the expansion and development of cooperative education in institutions of higher education in the United States.

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## PREAMBLE

Relating learning to career and life has become an increasing concern of higher education as well as of society in general. The preparation of students for their careers and their place in society should include exposure to the off-campus environment of which the young people will later be a part. Much