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## Stop New Hampshire “Education Savings Account” (ESA) Bill HB 115

**URGENT:** HB 115 has [passed](#) the House by a [198-180 vote](#). This dangerous bill now heads to the state Senate for consideration. **Urge your senator to oppose this bill, and to instead end all government involvement in education.**

Members of the New Hampshire General Court are seeking to enact an “Education Savings Account” (ESA)/“Education Freedom Account” (EFA) bill. Although this proposal might sound good on the surface, it actually severely threatens individual liberty and parental rights by shackling parents and religious schools to

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government funding — and the various strings attached, even if those strings are not initially obvious. **Urge your state legislators to oppose ESAs, protect genuine educational freedom, and abolish all government involvement in education.**

House Bill 115 ([HB 115](#)) would remove income limits for participation in New Hampshire's existing ESA program (officially titled "Education Freedom Accounts"), massively expanding it. HB 115 would massively increase government involvement in education — instead of defunding government schools, as they ought.

Supporters of ESAs often describe it as "school choice" or "money following the child." However, **ESAs actually represent a major — and potentially disastrous — intrusion of government into private and home education.**

First, ESAs are closely connected to the United Nations and [its push](#) to [indoctrinate](#) children with international-socialist [ideology](#). For example, **the UN's education agency, UNESCO, has advocated subsidizing private schools with tax money in order to control them — i.e., impose the same leftist standards on them as public schools** — thus enabling the implementation of the UN's totalitarian [Agenda 2030](#) scheme.

As implied above, **vouchers and ESAs are dangerous also because government can easily attach strings to the funding, forcing parents and private schools to submit to far-left indoctrination and other draconian government policies.** In foreign countries, including Sweden, Australia, and Canada, private schools — including Christian ones — now teach leftist ideology and are practically indistinguishable from public schools, because they are shackled to government funding. The United States is next — there is a [growing effort](#) to use ESAs to [regulate](#) and eventually eliminate homeschooling.

Furthermore, contrary to the slick "fund students, not systems" slogan, government schools will continue to receive the same levels of funding under ESA/voucher policies. Such policies will simply [increase](#) — not shift or reduce — government meddling in education.

More information on the dangers of vouchers and ESAs can be found in Alex Newman's article "['Vouchers: School Choice' Trap](#)" in the April 10, 2023 issue of *The New American* magazine, as well as the video "[Bringing Homeschools & Christian Education Under Control](#)."

**Ultimately, government must [completely abolish](#) its involvement in education — as had been the case in the United States before the late 1800s. Additionally, **all parents must [get their children out of the government-school system and instead pursue sound alternatives such as homeschooling and patriotic private schools](#).****

***Urge your state legislators to oppose all ESA and voucher programs, and to instead support fully defunding and abolishing the government-school system. Only then — rather than by false solutions — will we achieve fully educational freedom.***

"It's a Trap!" [Bringing Homeschools & Christian Education Under Control](#)