

SAMPLE LETTER URGING COSPONSORSHIP OF E2 BILL

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Date

The Honorable (full name)
U.S. House of Representatives
Washington, DC 20151

OR

The Honorable (full name)
United States Senate
Washington, DC 20510

Dear Representative (last name):

Dear Senator (last name):

I am writing to express my support for the **Engineering Education for Innovation or E² Act** to be introduced by Representative Tonko and Senator Gillibrand. I urge you to cosponsor this important piece of legislation. (add organizational description and interest in bill)

The bill will provide planning, implementation, and evaluation grants for state partnerships and school consortia to integrate grade appropriate engineering instruction into classrooms across the country. The engineering design process is key to innovation and solving technological problems, yet students and teachers know very little about the process or the many related career possibilities.

The goals of this bill include increasing: student achievement in STEM subjects; knowledge and competency in engineering design skills; the number of teachers prepared to teach engineering design; and, the number and diversity of students planning to pursue a career in engineering.

The bill will allow for grantees to amend standards, assessments, and curricula frameworks to include engineering content, enhance teacher preparation and professional development to include engineering content and pedagogy, recruit qualified teacher candidates, create distance learning modules, and invest in afterschool engineering programs.

Many espouse the need for improved STEM learning and graduates but few programs exist that advance K-12 engineering and technological literacy. This bill will advance K-12 engineering education and allow for extensive evaluation to inform possible expansion. I appreciate your leadership and commitment to enhancing education throughout our state and look forward to your support for this bill.

Sincerely,

Signature
Your Name
Organizational Title
Address
City, State, Zip