

ELEVATE Your Voice Today! Share Comments on a New National Employment Proposal

In the last month, we've been excited to see and be part of the growing national conversation about the need for a national subsidized employment and transitional jobs program. Last week, Senate Finance Committee Ranking Member Ron Wyden, D-Ore, released a draft bill for public comment called the "Economic Ladders to End Volatility and Advance Training and Employment (ELEVATE<<http://action.heartlandalliance.org/site/R?i=Yi-tgMkOLWLB1p-l1wahvg>>) Act of 2018."

The ELEVATE Act would provide resources to states to design and implement subsidized employment and transitional jobs programs targeted to individuals facing barriers to employment. Under Senator Wyden's proposal, the program would expand to provide access to employment for people who have lost their jobs during economic downturns.

We know many of you have been designing, implementing, evaluating, and advocating for these kinds of programs alongside us for decades. Now is your chance to make sure your perspectives are heard. More information about the bill can be found here<<http://action.heartlandalliance.org/site/R?i=yuackOcy6CVRyXGGdMfHQ>>.

Feedback and comments on the bill can be submitted to elevatecomments@finance.senate.gov<<mailto:elevatecomments@finance.senate.gov>>. The deadline to submit feedback is June 6.

Questions? Don't hesitate to reach out to our team<<mailto:ni@heartlandalliance.org>>. We expect to see other similar proposals released in the next few months and we are excited to continue to work with you to shape these ideas.