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U.S. Representative Virginia Foxx Chairwoman, Subcommittee on Higher Education and Workforce Training RHOB- Rayburn House Office Building 50 Independence Avenue, SW Room 2350 Washington, DC 20515-3305

RE: H.R.4405 - Kerry Rose Fire Sprinkler Notification Act

Honorable Representative Foxx,

On behalf of a coalition of four leading campus fire safety and code development organizations, we would like to express our support for H.R.4405 – the Kerry Rose Fire Sprinkler Notification Act and ask that it be moved to the full House for consideration.

The Center for Campus Fire Safety, Campus Firewatch, Campus Fire Safety Com LLC and the Fire Service Membership Council of the International Code Council support this important piece of legislation that will save lives and protect property.

This bill amends Title IV (Student Assistance) of the Higher Education Act of 1965 to modify fire safety reporting requirements for an institution of higher education (IHE) that participates in federal student aid programs.

Specifically, it requires an IHE that maintains on-campus student housing facilities to notify students about whether a housing facility is equipped with a fire safety system, including an automatic fire sprinkler system in each bedroom. Only minor administrative costs in reporting changes are required.

Our coalition works with college and university health and safety departments as well as more than 22,000 local governments where these schools are located. Please feel free to contact any one of us if you have questions or concerns.

Thank you for your support on this matter.

Sincerely,

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