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## CMS Statement on U.S. House Concurrent Resolution (CR) Budget

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**Charlotte, NC** – The Charlotte-Mecklenburg Board of Education issues the following statement on the U.S. House of Representatives Concurrent Resolution (CR) Budget.

Republican members of the U.S. House of Representatives representing the Charlotte area continue to share that the [House's Concurrent Resolution Budget](#) passed by the U.S. House this week will not hurt students across our state and our nation.

While we appreciate their comments, the Board of Education remains concerned that Instructions [Three](#) and [Four](#) of part (b) in Section 2001 under the Title II - Reconciliation and Related Matters in the CR have mandated cuts that will impact school districts across the country should this pass the Senate.

- In Instruction Three, there is a mandated budget cut of \$880 billion in the Committee on Energy and Commerce Budget. This committee oversees funding for Medicaid services.
- In Instruction Four, there is a mandated budget cut of \$330 billion in the Committee on Education and Workforce Budget. This committee oversees funding for school nutrition, including the Community Eligibility Provision (CEP) program.

We agree that the CR does not *specifically* use the words “cuts to Medicaid and school meals.” However, the committee budgets that have jurisdiction over these programs mandate hundreds of billions of dollars in cuts. According to previous House committee meetings and widespread reporting, part of these mandated cuts include an elimination of Medicaid reimbursements for students with an IEP and/or Section 504 plan (both address resources for children with special needs), and changes to the CEP threshold formula.

Most recently, the Charlotte Observer in their article, “Charlotte-Mecklenburg Schools board warns about cuts outlined in US House budget” (2/26/25), reported: “...the budget resolution does require the House Energy and Commerce Committee — which oversees Medicaid spending — to find

\$880 billion in cuts to federal programs. Furthermore, the budget resolution directs the House Education and Workforce Committee to cut at least \$330 billion over the next 10 years. CEP falls under its jurisdiction.”

Representatives Harris and Moore have stated that the CR does not make cuts to Medicaid funding for schools nor to school lunch funds/eligibility. The Board of Education is glad to hear their commitment to protect these programs, and that they will fight to protect the specialized services and school meals for all of our students who need those resources.

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