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**AWFS® Supports Career Counseling Legislation**

*“Counseling for Career Choice Act” Benefits States, Counselors, and Students*

Anaheim, CA – November 15, 2019 – The Association of Woodworking & Furnishings Suppliers® (AWFS®) is in support of the “Counseling for Career Choice Act”, introduced by Congressmen Jim Langevin (D-RI-2) and Glenn ‘GT’ Thompson (R-PA-15). The bill would provide grants to states to establish a comprehensive school counseling program.

“School counselors play a critical role in the information students receive about career opportunities and the choices they make”, says AWFS Executive Vice President Angelo Gangone. “We welcome any efforts to strengthen the counseling system and allow more resources to reach students.”

The “Counseling for Career Choice Act” would establish a competitive state grant program for an initial period of 2 years and \$2 to 5 million. The grant funding can be used to implement counseling programs, identify school counseling activities, identify regional workforce trends, train school counselors, establish partnerships with local agencies and industry, and much more.

[Click here to learn more about the “Counseling for Career Choice” Act.](#)

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