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The Honorable Nancy Pelosi
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The Honorable Kevin McCarthy
Minority Leader
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Dear Speaker Pelosi and Leader McCarthy,

Due to the impacts of COVID-19, summer programs, camps, and daycares have been either closed or cancelled, and many schools and facilities face significantly modified schedules and operations continuing into the fall. As a result, without further action, parents who have contributed to a Flexible Spending Account (FSA) could lose these dollars at the end of the year.

Many parents, families, and guardians take advantage of pre-tax FSA's to pay for dependent care, childcare, and other qualified expenses. Unfortunately, the impact of pandemic related closures and economic disruptions have and will continue to affect family finances, and unused contributions could be lost without the ability to change, "spend down," or roll over these accounts.

As Congress considers additional legislative relief in response to the COVID-19 pandemic, please include added flexibility that would allow parents utilizing Flexible Spending Accounts to withdraw or roll over these funds to better manage their finances and care for their children.

Thank you for your attention and continued work to respond to this public health and economic emergency.

With kind regards, I remain

Sincerely,

Robert J. Wittman
Member of Congress