

From the Chairperson - One Step Forward in Securing Direct Funding for VPP

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Dear Members:

Your efforts are paying off and we are making progress in securing direct funding for the Occupational Safety and Health Administration's (OSHA) Voluntary Protection Programs (VPP). The Senate Budget Committee approved an amendment brought forth by Senator Mike Enzi (R-Wyo.), who is the ranking member of the Health, Education, Labor and Pensions (HELP) Committee, which will restore direct funding for VPP.

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“The bipartisan amendment Chairman Conrad included in the Budget today will protect VPP funding and supports a balanced approach to the goal of increased work place safety that all of us want to achieve,” said Enzi. “Employers and workers deserve nothing less, and I appreciate Senator Conrad including this important amendment.”

“We believe there is still a long way to go, but this is a positive sign,” said Voluntary Protection Programs Participants' Association (VPPPA) Executive Director R. Davis Layne.

We ask you to keep up your activities and continue to reach out to your representatives in the Senate and the House. For contact information and sample letters, please view www.vpppa.org/GovAffairs/VPPSupport.cfm.

Thank you!

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