Dear:

The Senate has completed action on the federal aid to education bill and sent it to the House of Representatives for further consideration. I opposed the bill as such, as well as the liberalizing amendments which were offered, because I was presenting the Administration measure which was radically different from the bill approved by the Senate.

As you know, the Administration has consistently opposed outright federal grants for this purpose and also the inclusion of grant money for teachers' salaries. In addition, the Administration bill approached this matter in an entirely different way. It now remains to be seen what action the House may take before the measure goes to a Conference Committee for further consideration.

I am glad to note your interest in this matter.

Sincerely,

Everett McKinley Dirksen