

# BETSY DEVOS

January 30, 2017

The Honorable Patty Murray  
Ranking Member  
Senate Committee on Health, Education, Labor and Pensions  
154 Russell Senate Office Building  
Washington, D.C. 20510

Dear Senator:


Thank you for the opportunity to answer your questions regarding tax returns addressed in your January 13, 2017 letter.

As I understand it, the Senate Committee on Health, Education, Labor and Pensions is not requesting tax returns. If the Committee requests them, I will comply.

As you know, in full compliance with federal law, I have entered into an agreement with the Department of Education's Designated Agency Ethics Official and the U.S. Office of Government Ethics. All potential conflicts are in the process of resolution. As you may also recall, I noted during the Committee hearing I will forgo any Certificate of Divestitures related to this filing.

As a former teacher, I know you are interested in helping students. As a life-long advocate, I hope to you see my commitment to helping all children. Together, let's work on behalf of all students.

Sincerely,

  
Betsy DeVos  
Secretary-Designate

cc:

Senator Lamar Alexander, Chairman, Senate Committee on Health, Education, Labor and Pensions