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Washington, D.C. - In May, The Veterans Education Project (VEP) called on the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) to put a stop to a proposed action that would directly hurt Veterans' ability to go to the school of their choice or to graduate from the school they are enrolled. Today, VEP is proud to thank Secretary Wilkie and the VA for choosing to protect Student Veterans over partisan politics. With the VA's change of direction, potentially hundreds of thousands of Veterans and their families will be assured the promise that we made to honor their sacrifices.

Political organizations that are not led by veterans attempted to bully the VA to close down schools and take away GI Bill benefits from Veterans without due process or a VA investigation. Thankfully, the VA resisted these pressures, investigated, and found the schools to be in complete compliance.

"Thanks to the leadership of the Secretary, however, the VA held to its historically non-partisan roots and acted in the best interest of the Veterans and not what was politically expedient." Said Daniel Elkins, Legislative Director for VEP.

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