

## VICTORY

**Dept. of Education Helps Trans Students**

Right-wing legislators across America are trying to force schools to discriminate against transgender children with “bathroom bills,” which make it illegal for students to use bathrooms that correspond with their gender identity. That’s why we asked you, in May, to send a CitizenLetter to Secretary John B. King, Jr., asking the Department of Education to do more to protect transgender students by issuing comprehensive, accessible guidance to schools on how Title IX protects transgender students. And thousands of you did. Thanks to our pressure, and that of our allies, the Obama administration has issued guidance to schools, saying they must allow transgender students to use the bathroom that matches their gender identity. We’ll continue to fight for equality, and let you know about opportunities where your pressure can make a difference.

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**More NRA Losses Thanks to Your Activism**

Thanks to CREDO activists, and our friends at Everytown for Gun Safety, the NRA’s reckless, dangerous attempt to force guns onto college campuses across the country is facing strong opposition. In May, after thousands of CREDO members petitioned Georgia’s Gov. Nathan Deal, he vetoed a bill that would have required Georgia colleges and universities to allow anyone to carry a loaded, concealed weapon on campus without a permit. And in Kentucky and Alaska, where similar bills were being pushed by NRA-backed politicians, activist pressure helped make sure the bills died in the Legislature before they could get to the governor’s desk. Wherever the NRA tries to push its dangerous pro-gun agenda, CREDO activists will be there to push back.

## NONPROFIT SPOTLIGHT

**People For the American Way Foundation**

President Obama nominated Merrick Garland to replace Antonin Scalia on the Supreme Court back in mid-March. Since then, Senate Republicans have refused to do their job and hold hearings to consider Garland. People For the American Way Foundation (PFAW) is leading the charge to stop Republican obstruction of Garland and restore balance in the Supreme Court, a goal that is crucial for all Americans who care about money in politics, gun safety, reproductive rights, the environment—almost any issue of importance. PFAW is dedicated to promoting justice through fair and balanced courts at all levels and ensuring liberty and equality for all members of our society. It defends democracy by getting money out of politics and voters into polling booths, and monitoring and countering the tactics of the religious right. In April, CREDO donated \$62,436 to PFAW, thanks to members like you.

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**Friends of the Earth**

Honeybees. If they go, so do we. This is not an exaggeration. By pollinating crops around the world, honeybees feed more than seven billion people. They’re the glue that holds global agriculture together. But bees are being decimated by pesticides containing neonicotinoids—the largest threat to our world’s ecosystems. Yet the chemical companies that make neonicotinoids are fighting like hell to shove them down our throats, spending millions to block regulation and producing bogus research to support them. But Friends of the Earth is fighting back. Its Bee Action Campaign is a growing movement to save bees by calling on politicians and corporations to ban neonicotinoid pesticides. In June, CREDO members like you supported Friends of the Earth. You can learn more about their vital work at [foe.org](http://foe.org).

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Thank you for staying politically active with CREDO. Your voice makes a difference.