Dear Majority Leader Reid and Minority Leader McConnell:

The Federation of American Societies for Experimental Biology (FASEB) encourages you to schedule a vote on the Research and Development Efficiency Act (H.R. 5056) before the Senate adjourns for the year. FASEB supports this legislation that will establish a working group to review federal regulations affecting research universities in order to harmonize, streamline, and eliminate duplicative regulations and reporting requirements.

In May, the National Science Board (NSB) released its report on regulatory burden, *Reducing Investigators’ Administrative Workload for Federally Funded Research*, which calls for the establishment of “a permanent high-level, inter-agency, inter-sector committee, with stakeholder and OMB/Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs (OIRA) representation.” H.R. 5056 establishes such a working group under the Office of Science and Technology Policy and mandates a process for stakeholder input. Additionally, the bill requires annual progress reports to Congress, ensuring effective oversight.

The NSB report has received broad support in the scientific and engineering community. This bipartisan, no-cost legislation merits consideration in the Senate. FASEB would be pleased to work with you on H.R. 5056.

Sincerely,

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