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Senate bill 2432 which would allow students to refinance loans at the present lower loan rates was filibustered. The cloture vote to attempt to end the filibuster failed by a slim margin. Republican senators who voted to end the filibuster were Sens. Susan Collins (R-ME), Lisa Murkowski (R-AK) and Bob Corker (R- TN). If you reside in Maine, Alaska or Tennessee, you may want to contact the senator from your state and thank him/her for the effort to get this bill passed.

A cloture vote to end a filibuster and bring a bill to the floor for a vote requires 60 votes. The vote to pass a bill requires only 50 votes. If the filibuster can be broken, there are enough votes to pass the bill.

ACTION NEEDED. If you or someone you know is interested in passing legislation to allow student loan refinancing call [1-866-327-8670](tel:1-866-327-8670) (a toll free number). Ask the operator who answers to connect you to your senator's office. Urge your senator to support legislative action which will allow the refinancing of student loans to current lower interest loan rates. If they cannot support the bill currently under consideration, urge them to submit a bill which they can support.

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