



Washington Office  
1527 Eighteenth St. NW, Washington, DC 20036  
Phone: 202-588-1100 Fax: 202-588-1853

James G. Arthur  
President, AMS

June 28, 2006

Honorable Rush Holt  
United States House of Representatives  
Washington, DC 20515-3012

Dear Congressman Holt:

I would like to congratulate you on your bill, HR 5139. Establishing a public database with information about available scholarships, assistantships, and other programs of financial assistance for study in science, technology, engineering, and mathematics is a nice idea. We need more students with interest in these areas, so a database that provides information on financial support from a broad range of sources, both public and private, can be helpful in attracting talented students to these fields. Our nation's ability to be economically competitive in the future will depend on adequate numbers of U.S. citizens matriculating in these technical disciplines.

I hope that the Congress will support this legislation, please call on me if I can be of any help.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "James G. Arthur".

James Arthur