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Dear Howard:

Just a note to thank you for your letter with copies of correspondence sent to Kastenmeier and Kastenmeier's response to Reuben Lorenz. I am confident that the receipt of these letters or ones like it did much to calm the nerves of Representative Kastenmeier in the face of criticism leveled by Ralph Nader and friends. The Bill as passed by the Subcommittee, as you know, contains several serious restrictions. But, at least it is out of the Subcommittee and decisions will have to be made as to whether these amendments will be fought in the full Committee, on the floor or in conference. We wait in hopes that the full Committee will take it up at an early date. I am told that the bill will, in all likelihood, suffer a detour to the House Commerce Committee. Hopefully, it will find its way out of there and onto the floor for final action before the end of this term.

I will let you know as I hear things. Thanks for all your assistance. Kastenmeier is not nearly as interested in hearing support from my clients as he is from the university community. This correspondence has, in my view, been enormously helpful.

Sincerely,

Donald R. Murdoch

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