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The current question on the FAFSA asks students (and parents) to report their taxable earnings from need-based employment programs. By eliminating this question and requiring schools to only report Federal Work Study earnings, earnings from state and institutional need-based employment programs will no longer be considered in the calculation of the SAI. This is unfortunate. We use funding from state and institutional need-based employment programs to supplement funding from the Federal Work Study program. This allows more needy students to receive the same benefits of working on campus through different programs, yet these students will be hurt on the SAI calculation. Hoping ED will figure out a way to allow schools to report earnings from other need-based employment programs so these needy students are not harmed. Thank you for considering.