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## **NELA Statement On House Vote Against Consumers & Working People**

The National Employment Lawyers Association (NELA) denounces the recent vote in the U.S. House of Representatives to pass a [Congressional Review Act](#) (CRA) resolution of disapproval ([H.J. Res. 111](#)) that seeks to [revoke the Consumer Financial Protection Bureau \(CFPB\) rule](#). The CFPB rule is the result of years of study and public hearings. The vote was almost entirely along party lines, with only one Republican voting against the resolution.

The CFPB rule provides essential protections for consumers by ensuring that everyday people can join together and have their day in court to hold banks, credit card companies, payday lenders, and other financial institutions accountable when they violate consumers' rights. The CFPB rule relates specifically to the conduct of financial services providers, but forced arbitration and class action bans increasingly are used not only to constrain consumers, but also to prevent working people from banding together to vindicate their rights under our nation's employment and civil rights laws. NELA calls on the Senate to stand with consumers and working people to ensure that banks and businesses cannot violate the law with impunity.

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