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WASHINGTON — The below listed groups issued the following statement in response to the president’s tax reform speech in Springfield, Mo. today:

“As tax reform plans are developed, we urge the administration and Congress to preserve the state and local tax deduction as a matter of simplicity and fairness — preventing all income levels from being taxed twice — and to uphold state and local decision-making to meet community needs.”

International City/County Management Association

National Association of Counties

National Governors Association

National League of Cities

The Council of State Governments

U.S. Conference of Mayors

Government Finance Officers Association

AASA, The School Superintendents Association

Association of Educational Service Agencies

National Rural Education Association

Association of School Business Officials

National Rural Education Advocacy Consortium

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The [National Association of Counties](http://www.naco.org) (NACo) unites America’s 3,069 county governments. Founded in 1935, NACo brings county officials together to advocate with a collective voice on national policy, exchange ideas and build new leadership skills, pursue transformational county solutions, enrich the public’s understanding of county government and exercise exemplary leadership in public service.