

Visual	Audio	Backup
Door opens into classroom, kids walking through, feeling of hope and opportunity	ANNOUNCER: In Iowa, we're always working to open doors for them	
Cut to Ernst at debate	But Joni Ernst has a different plan.	
Classroom door swings shut, picture frame on door, with Ernst at debate, frozen, BW, then comes to life in color [Iowa Press Debate, 4/24/14]	ERNST SYNC: “Closing the doors to the Department of Education...”	Ernst called for “closing the doors to the Department of Education at the federal level” to “save taxpayer dollars.” During the Republican Senate candidates’ Iowa Press Debate, Ernst stated, “I do believe that we can make the cuts necessary within our federal government to find a way to fund our roads and infrastructure. We’ve already talked about closing the door to the IRS. ... But then, there’s other departments that we could be looking at also, and I’ve talked about these before, but closing the doors to the Department of Education at the federal level. And not just because it would save taxpayer dollars, but because I do believe that our children are better educated when it’s coming from the state and the localities.” [Iowa Press Debate (23:30-24:15), 4/24/14]
Ernst freezes in frame, turns BW CG appears aside frame: ERNST PLAN Threaten Pell Grants for 213,000 Iowa Students [U.S. Department of Education, Federal Pell Grant End-of-Year Report]	ANNOUNCER: ... threatening Pell Grants. And Ernst would...	More than a third of the Department of Education’s discretionary budget is for Pell Grants. The U.S. Department of Education’s total discretionary budget for Fiscal Year 2014 is \$67.3 billion, of which \$22.8 billion is for Pell Grants. [U.S. Department of Education, Discretionary Appropriations, Fiscal Year 2015 Budget Summary and Background Information] More than 213,000 Iowa students received Pell grants to attend college during the 2011-2012 award year. The grants in Iowa, which are administered by the U.S. Department of Education, totaled nearly \$754 million. [U.S. Department of Education, 2011-2012 Federal Pell Grant End-of-Year Report]
Ernst comes back to life in color for soundbite, then freezes BW again [Iowa Press Debate, 4/24/14]	ERNST SYNC: “...shut down the federal EPA...”	Ernst: “Let’s shut down the federal EPA.” During the Republican Senate candidates’ Iowa Press Debate, Ernst stated, “Another area that we need to look at is the Environmental Protection Agency. When we talk about the rules and regulations that are burdening business owners, whether it is in ag, whether it is in industry here in the state of Iowa. Let’s

		shut down the federal EPA, and focus on those issues here in the state where the state knows best how to protect resources.” [Iowa Press Debate (24:15-24:45), 4/24/14]
<p>A different door frame in a home, looking out on kids playing in nature (e.g., park, crossing a stream)</p> <p>ERNST PLAN</p> <p>Cut Clean Air & Water Enforcement</p> <p>[Environmental Protection Agency, Air Enforcement/Water Enforcement]</p>	<p>ANNOUNCER: ...cutting clean air and water enforcement, letting polluters off the hook.</p>	<p>The EPA is responsible for enforcing the Clean Air Act, Clean Water Act, and Safe Drinking Water Act. [Environmental Protection Agency, Air Enforcement; Environmental Protection Agency, Water Enforcement]</p> <p>Politifact: “Two experts on environmental law told us that abolishing the EPA would dramatically reduce regulations on industry.” [Politifact, 6/27/14]</p> <p>Ernst mentioned “the Clean Water Act” when asked to name “business-damaging laws, regulations, or policies.” During a KCCI TV Senate debate, Ernst was asked to name “three specific business-damaging laws regulations or policies.” She replied, in part that “the EPA has many, many regulations out there that inhibit our businesses from expanding.” The moderator then asked Ernst to name one EPA regulation in particular, to which she responded: “One in particular, the Clean Water Act I think is one that, that especially impacts us here in Iowa and we are trying to put in place voluntary measures to counteract that.” [KCCI-TV Senate Debate (starting at 35:02), 5/29/14]</p> <p>NY Times Editorial Board Project Editor: Ernst “opposes the Clean Water Act.” In a blog post on the New York Times’ website, editorial board project editor David Firestone noted that Ernst “opposes the Clean Water Act. She called it one of the most damaging laws for business.” [New York Times, 6/4/14]</p> <p>The Washington Post reported that Ernst made “comments during a recent debate about getting rid of the Clean Water Act.” [Washington Post, 6/2/14]</p>
<p>Door swings shut, Ernst photo on door, still frozen in frame</p> <p>JONI ERNST</p> <p>Wrong priorities for Iowa</p>	<p>Joni Ernst. Wrong priorities for Iowa.</p>	
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