

The proposed change putting the burden of proof on the families is a mockery of justice and fairness. The school system deals with dozens of cases each year, and is well versed in the law, has as its primary goal to save the state money. The family usually has one child with special needs, has no training in debating the "finer" points of the law, and has as its primary and singular goal the appropriate education for their child, regardless of the budget.

There has never been an equation of equality between family and "Team". This proposed law effectively destroyed any chance for a family to obtain a suitable public school education for its disabled child.

So much for an inclusive education; one step further towards renewed, educational segregation.

Shame on the State of CT.

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