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Good day,

I write to formally render my viewpoint on the proposed changes to SB 1105. As both an educator and the parent of a child with autism I beseech you to reconsider the notion that highly specialized training is not necessitated for PROPER Applied Behavior Analysis therapy. While I can attest to the true dedication of professionals in the field of education, I am also painfully aware of the negative impact poorly/inadequately trained staff may have on students. As we strive to 21st Century Skills, Common Core State Standards, and Career and College Readiness, our children deserve the utmost in highly skilled practitioners, research-based methodologies and an infrastructure that promotes fidelity of implementation on every level.

Once again, please consider my concern and very vocal opposition as we reconsider that appropriateness of educational services for ALL of our students.

I thank you for your time.

Gratefully,

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