

I am writing to you to voice my opposition to the proposed change in ABA legislation SB 1105. I speak from 35 years' experience in the classroom as an elementary teacher in the Farmington (CT) Public Schools.

Changing the legislation of SB 1105 would mean that any certified employee in a school would be asked, if not expected, to provide a service for which the employee is not trained. Allowing this change in SB 1105 may result in services required as indicated in IEP's not being delivered by certified and trained individuals. These services, which are mandated by law, would impact the education of students receiving the services and result in an educational program that would not serve the student in the best manner. Even with 35 years of teaching experience, I would not feel qualified to provide Behavioral Analysis services necessary to comply with a student's IEP.

Please contact me if you have any questions or wish to speak to me.

Sincerely,

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