

*Remarks of David Anderson
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**Before the Education Committee
ON S.B. No. 24, AN ACT CONCERNING EDUCATIONAL COMPETITIVENESS**

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Good afternoon Senator Stillman and Representative Fleischmann, and members of the Education Committee.

My name is David C. Anderson, and I'm a teacher in South Windsor where I am employed as the coordinator of Gifted Education. I am writing today to comment on Senate Bill 24. This bill is so poorly designed it's hard to start my comments, from the subjective evaluations to the elimination of the master's degree the bill will certainly restrict a teacher's ability to challenge the status quo with new ideas and concepts. I encourage the committee to consider the proposals recommended by CEA as ideas that truly would enrich the great educational opportunities we have here in Connecticut and to address the generational poverty and the breakdown of the family as the true underlying cornerstones of the achievement gap, thank you.