

To: Senate Committee  
Re: SB 175  
From: E.T. Siebert, PhD  
Date: February 23, 2016

Dear Congressmen,

Please do not pass SB 175 because:

- SB 175 is already out of date! It refers to the older NCLB legislation while ignoring the newer ESEA legislation that superseded it
- The notice for the public hearing is unduly short preventing meaningful responses
- It takes away parental rights and gives them to the state
- It takes away parents right to protest the SBAC as guaranteed by the 1st amendment
- It punished superintendents and school districts for the actions of parents over whom they have no authority
- The SBAC is an unproven test, yet the results will be used to evaluate school districts
- The bill takes away local school board control over curriculum and budgets
- You have not passed adequate provisions to maintain student privacy

I have many other objections, but the unusually short time before the hearing prevents me from expounding them.

Given the shortened schedule and the complicated bill, please do not pass it so a better bill can replace it.

Thank you.