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I STRONGLY OPPOSE SB 524!

While I understand the challenge with respect to finding qualified individuals to teach in our schools, I do not believe the solution is to lower the criminal standards of those to whom we seek to entrust our most vulnerable and impressionable population - our children. Please rethink this and consider asking people who have left the teaching profession - or at least teaching in the public schools - why they no longer want to work there. If you are serious about wanting to attract and retain good, qualified teachers, this would be the way to go.