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GOVERNOR'S OBJECTIONS AND VETO MESSAGE

House Bill 706, "An act to amend the teacher certification law to facilitate the hiring of teachers."

This bill reduces the North Carolina teaching standards to the lowest in America. It cheats our children out of a quality education and dishonestly classifies unqualified teachers as "highly qualified."

Further, it restricts the authority of the State Board of Education to certify teachers and puts it within the General Assembly.

Therefore, I veto the bill.

The bill, having been vetoed, is returned to the Clerk of the North Carolina House of Representatives on this 29th day of September 2005 at _// 4/ 14 for reconsideration by that body.

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Denise Weeks