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STOP THE EDUCATION POWER GRAB!

The Florida House of Representatives is scheduled to consider SB 736/HB 7019, the so-called "Teacher Quality" bill beginning at 2:45 p.m. today. They are expected to vote Wednesday during the session that begins at 1:00 p.m. This is the dreaded "Son of SB6."

- The bills increases high-stakes, one-size fits all FCAT like testing of our students.
- Teachers pay, retention, promotions will be based on the scores of these tests. Teachers will be forced to do nothing but "teach to the test." Field trips and other educational enhancement activities will disappear.
- The curriculum for our students will be greatly diminished.
- The bills force incredibly expensive unfunded mandates on our local school districts.
- The best and brightest new teachers will leave the state.

It is not too late to contact your legislators! FEA has created a patch through line to make it very easy to call your Representatives over the next 24-hours.

CALL YOUR STATE REPRESENTATIVE 1-888-640-1338

(Calls to this number are routed to *targeted* House members)

The message is simple: "***SB 736/HB 7109 is yet another multi-billion dollar unfunded mandate that dramatically increases student testing and does nothing to reward or support teachers.***"

VOTE NO

You can also email your Representatives – Click [Here](#) for a listing of your Representatives. Click the "Find Your Representative" Tab (the upper left tab) to pull down the search screen to find your Representative if you are unsure who it is. You will need to know your address, city and zip code in order to find the correct representative for your area.