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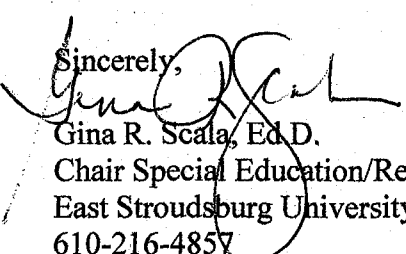
Mr. Buckheit,

Students enrolled in SPED 582: Seminar: Current Issues & Trends in Special Education, a graduate course for those interested in Special Education and/or pursuing certification in Special Education are faced with many issues throughout the course. Actually, I do not use a specific text because the volume of important issues at the national, state, and local levels offers more than enough material for deep discussion, evidence-based practices, and completion of their tasks.

Recently, I told them that the opportunity to comment on the proposed Chapter 49-2 draft was available. They read the proposed Chapter 49-2 and found that there were many thoughts concerning the proposed changes. Enclosed are the letters which they have written to you and the committee. (I have sent you the unedited versions)! I feel they have expressed sincere support and concerns. The students were honored to be able to respond at the direct level to you about their thoughts. I thought you and the committee would appreciate their input and realize this is from their professional hearts, that life they live everyday.

Thank you in advance for your recognition of their input. Feel free to contact me with any questions, comments, and/or concerns.

Sincerely,


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