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This bill authorizes district school board to terminate superintendent without cause only if it isn't for following state and federal law. The trouble with the bill is it defines state law as things that are not laws but dictates by executive orders, orders of the Superintendent of Public Instruction, declarations, directives or other state or federal authorization, policy, statement, guidance, rule or regulation. In other words, local control and parents' voices aren't to be considered. According to this, anyone could make a "statement" or "guidance" without legislative authority.

This bill removes the voice of parents and we are expected to kneel to the state, where ideas are usually a push by one person without due diligence or best practices to back their policies.

This will limit the boards ability to fire a superintendent who is not following the board's policies. The board sets policy according to their district and parents input. The board is the superintendent's boss to carry out what the school board approves: school budgets, approves curriculum, and more. If a superintendent is NOT going to be supportive of the board and the district, then they are hindering what the district deems important in their schools and should be fire.

This bill is put forth to protect the more regressive left superintendents and in response to Newberg and other school boards who fired their superintendents without cause the last 2 years. Isn't this revenge?