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I have been a Special Education teacher in Oregon for 22 years. Each year I see students who are more significantly impacted by their disabilities than the prior year. The funding we receive in schools is not nearly enough to meet the ever increasing needs of our students. These are our most vulnerable students and they deserve to receive the support needed in order for them to achieve the best that they can. The 11% cap completely disregards the fact that many districts serve way more than 11% of the population. This cap usually means that we don't have the funds for the extra assistance or specialized instructional materials and technology that our students require. Please remove this cap and serve all of our eligible students in the way that they deserve.

Thank you!

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