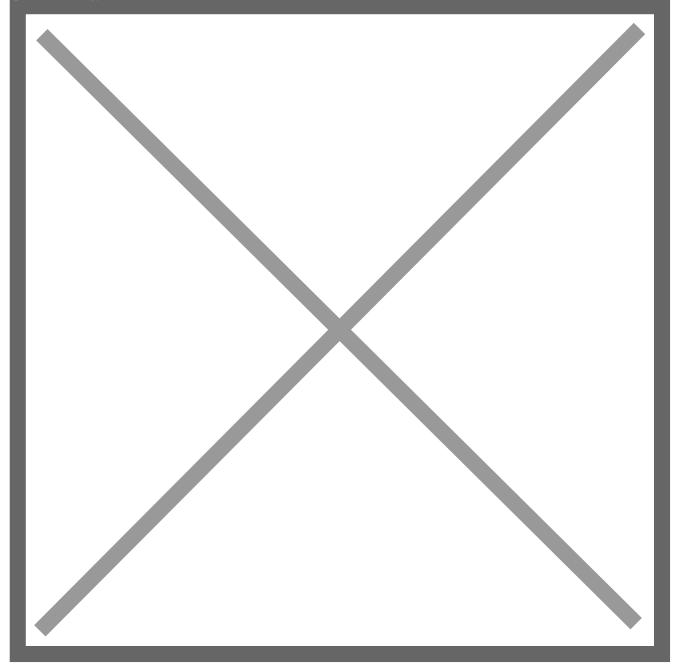


NEW YORK STATE SENATOR

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Standing Up for Our Kids

DEAN G. SKELOS March 11, 2014



On behalf of the thousands of frustrated parents, students and teachers that I represent, I've just voted against confirmation of the four Board of Regents candidates that were nominated by the State Assembly.

The roll-out of Common Core has been profoundly flawed, and the State Education Department and Board of Regents are responsible for this mess.

Today's vote sends a loud and clear message that our students deserve better and that this bureaucratic disaster needs to be fixed.

New York State must return its focus to one overriding goal: providing a quality education that helps every child achieve a bright, successful and rewarding future.