



Reauthorization  
of  
IDEA/ESEA  
by  
Statute, Regulations, or Funding

# ***What is going on Reauthorization***

- Congress working on rewriting ESEA
  - Senate
    - Gang of four
    - Draft by the end of Spring
    - Amendments
  - House
    - Three to five bills
    - First one HR 1891 this Wednesday

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# ***What is going on - Regulations***

- Regulator Reform . cutting of %ed-tape.+
- Granting of waivers . instead of reauthorization

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# ***What is going on with Funding***

- House . moving into appropriations phase with an overall cut back to 2004 levels
  - Appropriations % mark-up for FY 12 in late July
- Senate . voting this week on budget
  - Will vote on House measure & President's Feb 14<sup>th</sup> budget . all will fail
- Debt Ceiling . cuts being proposed in direct relationship to increases in debt ceiling

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Vice President Biden leading discussions on grand compromise

# *Big Issues*

- Role of federal government
  - How prescriptive to be in Title I, Title III (ELL), IDEA
- Relationship of competitive to formula grants
  - Race to the Top vs IDEA/Title I
- Role of college and career ready standards
  - How do we transition from NCLB to new
  - Assessments . lots of issues
  - May 23, 2011 Alternatives to Common Core State Standards

# *More specific issues*

- Relationship of IDEA to Title I
  - Supplement not supplant
  - Maintenance of effort
  - Data collection
- Relationship of Head Start and early childhood programs to education (K-12)
- Links between teacher ed and high need areas
- How does LEARN/Striving Readers fit in?
- How categoricals fit in?

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# *Where does LD sit?*

- Costs of IDEA . governors voting on pushing for special ed funding
- Role of federal government??
- Universal design . seems to be an accepted principle
- RTI/MTSS . high interest

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# *What to watch when*

- LEARN introduction in House
- Passage . votes on HR 1891
- Will Senate have draft by ~~end~~ end of Spring?+
- How deep the debt ceiling will cut education
- How deep will the House budget cuts be in July
- Will US ED move towards a regulatory change for NCLB & IDEA?

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