

Public Hearing Testimony Concerning the

DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

Senate Budget and Appropriations Committee – March 16, 2005

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[Karalee Kludzuweit](#), Superintendent, Cape May County Special Services School District, representing New Jersey Joint Council of County Special Services School Districts

[Jennifer Langer](#), Executive Director, New Jersey Charter Public Schools Association

[Mary Moyer](#), Vice President, New Jersey Association of School Librarians (NJASL)

[Daniel Santo Pietro](#), Executive Director, Hispanic Directors Association of New Jersey

[Barry Semple](#), Past President, New Jersey Association of Lifelong Learning

[Caryl Mackin-Wagner](#), Focus on Literacy, Inc.

Senate Budget and Appropriations Committee – March 22, 2005

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[Rev. Reginald T. Jackson](#), Black Ministers Council of New Jersey

[Christine Ranaghan](#), Director, Education Outreach, Recording for the Blind & Dyslexic, New Jersey Unit

[Dana Rone](#), Public Housing and Educational Advocate, Newark School Board Member

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Assembly Budget Committee – March 24, 2005

[Dr. Charles Murray](#), Superintendent, Mercer County Special Services School District

[Suzanne Williamson](#), Chair, New Jersey Child Care Advisory Council

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Assembly Budget Committee – March 29, 2005

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[Matt Roberts](#), Student

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