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The Honorable Jack Markell
Governor
Tatnall Building - 2nd Floor
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Dear Governor Markell:

The State Council for Persons with Disabilities (SCPD) has reviewed S.B. 51 which imposes more rigorous standards on enrollment in teacher preparation programs and requires passage of a new test to become certified. Overall, it is intended to raise the caliber of instructors in Delaware schools. Longitudinal data on graduates working in Delaware schools would be collected. The legislation is detailed and prescriptive, and has been endorsed by the Delaware State Education Association (DSEA).

SCPD endorses this proposed legislation.

Thank you for your consideration and please contact SCPD if you have any questions regarding our position on the proposed legislation.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Daniese McMullin-Powell".

Daniese McMullin-Powell, Chairperson
State Council for Persons with Disabilities

cc: Mr. Brian Hartman, Esq.
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