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Bill 33, Supporting Children and Students Act

OTF Statement

Surely Ontario's publicly funded education system deserves real government investments not an act that pays lip service to the challenges the system is facing. Our teachers and our students are paying the price for the Ford government's persistent underfunding. Our schools are crumbling, resources are lacking, teachers are struggling, and students are not getting the support they deserve as they try to learn in overcrowded classrooms in understaffed schools.

The Ford government has introduced a new act that they'd have us believe is the answer to these education challenges students and teachers are facing. Don't be fooled. Bill 33, *Supporting Children and Students Act* simply hides the fact that this government is responsible for years of cuts and chronic underfunding to Ontario's publicly funded education system.

At its core, Bill 33 fails our students, teachers and educators, and schools. If the government really believes in strengthening Ontario's education system, the focus should be on real investment and meaningful collaboration.

Ontarians deserve better than a political smokescreen that is only designed to hide the harmful effects that underfunding and stripping away of local control has on schools.

We don't need another act; we need action.

Contact your local MPP and demand that Minister Calandra reverse course on Bill 33.

To view the OTF President's video message click here.