

## State Budget Crisis: Cutting Education

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Bureaucrats should pay the price, not our kids or teachers

As the budget battle in Sacramento rages, it is clear that the education budget along with much more must be cut.

There are at least two places to cut that won't impact teachers, aides and others who work with kids.

The bureaucracy: It's bloated and wasteful. Cuts should affect the state and county (and even local) administrators.

The textbooks: I sit on a school district oversight committee and am shocked by the state-mandated textbook policies. We should suspend the purchasing of \$100-\$200 books. It will not affect the quality of education.

It just takes common sense to solve the deficit crisis.