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Rep. Nass: Doyle and Barrett reform plan for MPS – Simply criminal

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Nass: What MPS is failing to do for the children of Milwaukee should be a crime.

State Representative Steve Nass (R-Whitewater) responded with outrage to Governor Jim Doyle and Mayor Tom Barrett's plan for reforming the failed Milwaukee Public School System. Their plan calls for spending more federal and state money on MPS, allowing the same Milwaukee stakeholders that helped destroy it to now reform it and creation of another blue ribbon council to advise MPS administration.

"Doyle and Barrett are condemning the children of Milwaukee to another decade or longer in what can best be described as an educational prison system. The same stakeholders that have perverted that educational system will now be put in charge of its reform plans. This response by the Governor and Mayor is nothing short of a crime against the children and families of Milwaukee," Nass said.

Nass argued that just one day after another devastating independent audit of MPS was released, the Governor and Mayor want to allow the teachers union, the Department of Public Instruction and other Milwaukee special interests to lead the effort in fixing the terminally failed system. These same groups, he noted, share some direct responsibility for corrupting the system in the first place and the failures to educate children.

"MPS is a terminally failed educational institution that can't be fixed. The only hope for the children is an immediate state takeover that leads to the creation of several smaller school districts within the boundaries of the current system," Nass said.



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