

January 2022 Legislative Report

Happy New Year fellow workers! With holidays dominating the past month, there's not much on which to report on the legislative front. Count your blessings. Mask up. Stay safe.

With a lack of legislative material, I thought I'd recommend a follow on social media. While most of you likely already follow him, if you don't, President Biden's Education Secretary Miguel Cardona is a wonderful cheerleader for public schools, teachers & students. He is also wildly hilarious at times like in this tweet where he jokes about getting "more tests" to schools, as if widespread Covid testing already occurs there! Love this guy!



Secretary Miguel Cardona ✓ @SecCardona · 2d

We are doing everything in our power to get more tests to schools, families, and communities across the country. This latest move by @POTUS is on top of the roughly \$3 billion investment in testing supplies announced previously.



reuters.com

Biden inks \$137 mln contract to boost supply of key material for COVID tests -source

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100 school districts sue Ohio over private school vouchers, saying they're

unconstitutional: While that pretty much sums things up, if you'd like to read more about the latest in this ongoing story, here's a link to an article at [The Plain Dealer](#). Here's one from the [Columbus Dispatch](#).

If you'd like a more provocative (read realistic) take, then check out [Stephen Dyer's blog](#) on the subject, in which he shoots down voucher proponent's critique of the lawsuit, and affirms the racism implicit in Ohio's voucher system.

"Vouchers are disproportionately distributed to white students, leading to greater overall segregation in public school districts and communities of color with substantially fewer state resources to educate students in those communities."