

# THE SPECIAL EDUCATION MUCKRAKER

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(Well, somebody's got to do it.)

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## SPECIAL EDUCATION MUCKRAKER ALERT!

### THE GOOD OLE BOYS ARE AT IT AGAIN

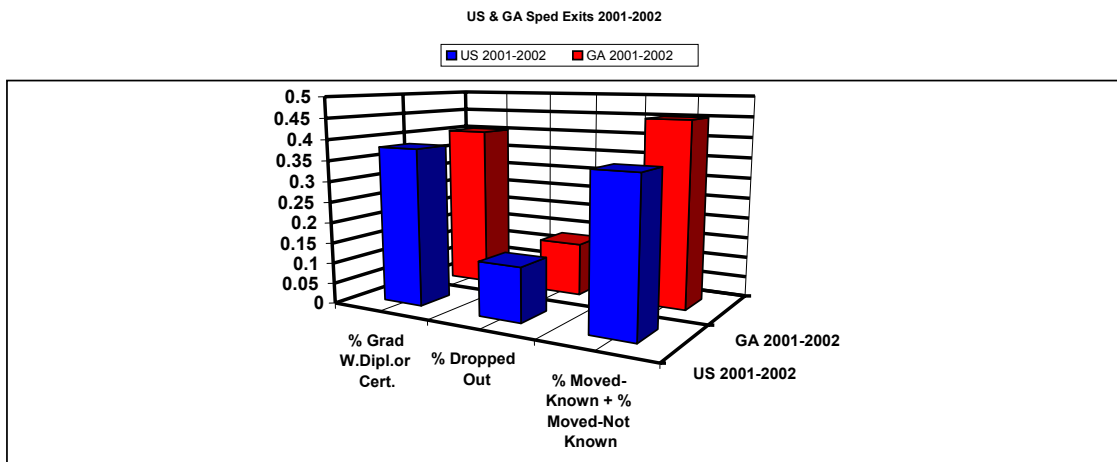
Representative Johnny Isakson (R-GA) just announced, according to the Macon-Telegraph.com October 30<sup>th</sup> edition, that he will introduce an amendment to the No Child Left Behind Act to give more "flexibility" to state education departments in testing students with disabilities. *So that they can be tested at lower levels!*

<http://www.macon.com/mld/macon/news/7136870.htm>.

**THE SPECIAL EDUCATION MUCKRAKERS** decided to look at Georgia-Johnny's state outcomes for kids with disabilities to see if flexibility and kindness to cognitively-disabled kids was what *really* motivated this here fella. And, y'all know, the numbers - well - they're *just not that good*. In fact, the sovereign State of Georgia produces kids with disabilities who "move" more than just about any other place in the country. Move out of school without graduating, that is.

Since the USDOE's Office of the Inspector General found in 4 separate audits that public schools and districts wrongly categorize special ed. dropouts as "movers," we're not impressed with Georgia school districts' knowledge of basic math facts . . . like how to add value to their disabled kids' educations by teaching them effectively . . . or subtract. Subtract dropouts and come up with clean special ed. high school exiting numbers, we mean

In fact, we think that Georgia school districts and its state ed. department should move . . . move right out of the Arthur Anderson School of Special Ed. Accounting. *Folks, what part of "No" in No Child Left Behind don't these folks understand?*



Source: USDOE-OSEP, exiting tables 2001-2002, at [www.ideadata.org](http://www.ideadata.org).

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