

Calif. has more control over education dollars

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Starting next year, California and seven other states will have more control over how they spend the millions of federal dollars tied to a questionable tutoring program.

Under the George W. Bush administration's No Child Left Behind law, schools that serve high concentrations of poor students and were rated as underperforming for several years were required to set aside money for tutoring, known as "supplemental education services."

Between 2011 and 2014, California spent \$507 million on these programs. But the California Department of Education routinely received complaints alleging that the tutoring companies provided little feedback on students' academic progress, fabricated invoices and lied about enrollment and attendance information.

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