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Tying test scores to teacher evaluations has done nothing to "raise" the standards for student achievement. If anything, SLO creation and analysis has only taking away valuable planning time and attention from student work. There was never a valid reason to take away the power of teacher evaluation from local school districts in the first place. If a district has the power to hire a teacher, they should have the ability to fire a teacher- not the state or any other third party. There has always been an annual performance review in my district and so teacher evaluation was never a problem. Basing any evaluation on teacher predictions for student performance, as is the case with the SLO, has no basis in any sort of scientific research and, as such, is an invalid evaluation model.