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## **Michelle Williams responds to examiner's findings that she was wrongly terminated by HISD**

Houston Education Association President Michelle Williams released the following statement:

I am pleased that the independent hearing examiner has recommended that I be reinstated as a teacher in Houston ISD. I was wrongly terminated by a non-elected board of managers for putting the needs and education of my students over arbitrary district rules that, I believe, violate state laws and Texas educators' code of ethics.

In her conclusions of Law, the examiner held that the district failed to meet its burden to establish good cause to terminate my contract and went on to conclude: "The evidence, in fact, supports a conclusion that Ms. Williams has faithfully served the HISD for years, to the great benefit of students and staff in the District."

I hope the board of managers will do what is right for the kids I was trying to help and return me to the classroom. I am a teacher who has always put the safety, the individual needs and the advancement of my students first and will continue to do so.