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from being abused, the following line
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GOVERNMENT REPORT CASE # 6

Four students, all under 6 years old, attended a special education class in a Tennessee public school, where they were assaulted and physically restrained by their teacher. The teacher allegedly restrained one boy so tightly that a teacher's aide would spend 5 minutes or more trying to unravel the knots. In addition to the restraint, there were claims that the teacher hit the children with a flyswatter, ruler, and her hand.

In May of 2009, a government report listed 19 state governments that have yet to regulate the practices of restraint and seclusion in schools. The report also cited multiple cases of improper restraint and seclusion resulting in death, injury, and emotional trauma of children with varying disabilities.

We have rules against torturing terrorists, yet we have no rules in place for special needs students. Protection for disabled children is long overdue. **Isn't it time for our Federal Government to step in?**