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THE RIGHT TAKE ON HIGHER ED

Tuesday, February 23, 2010

**Out, Out, Damned Department!** [George Leef]

That would be the Department of Education. In [this piece](#), Cato's Neal McCluskey argues that it was a mistake (constitutionally and policy-wise) to have created it in the first place, and that since it just wastes [money](#) we don't have today, it ought to be eliminated.

Ultimately, I favor the complete separation of school and state. A necessary first step is the separation of school and the [federal government](#).

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