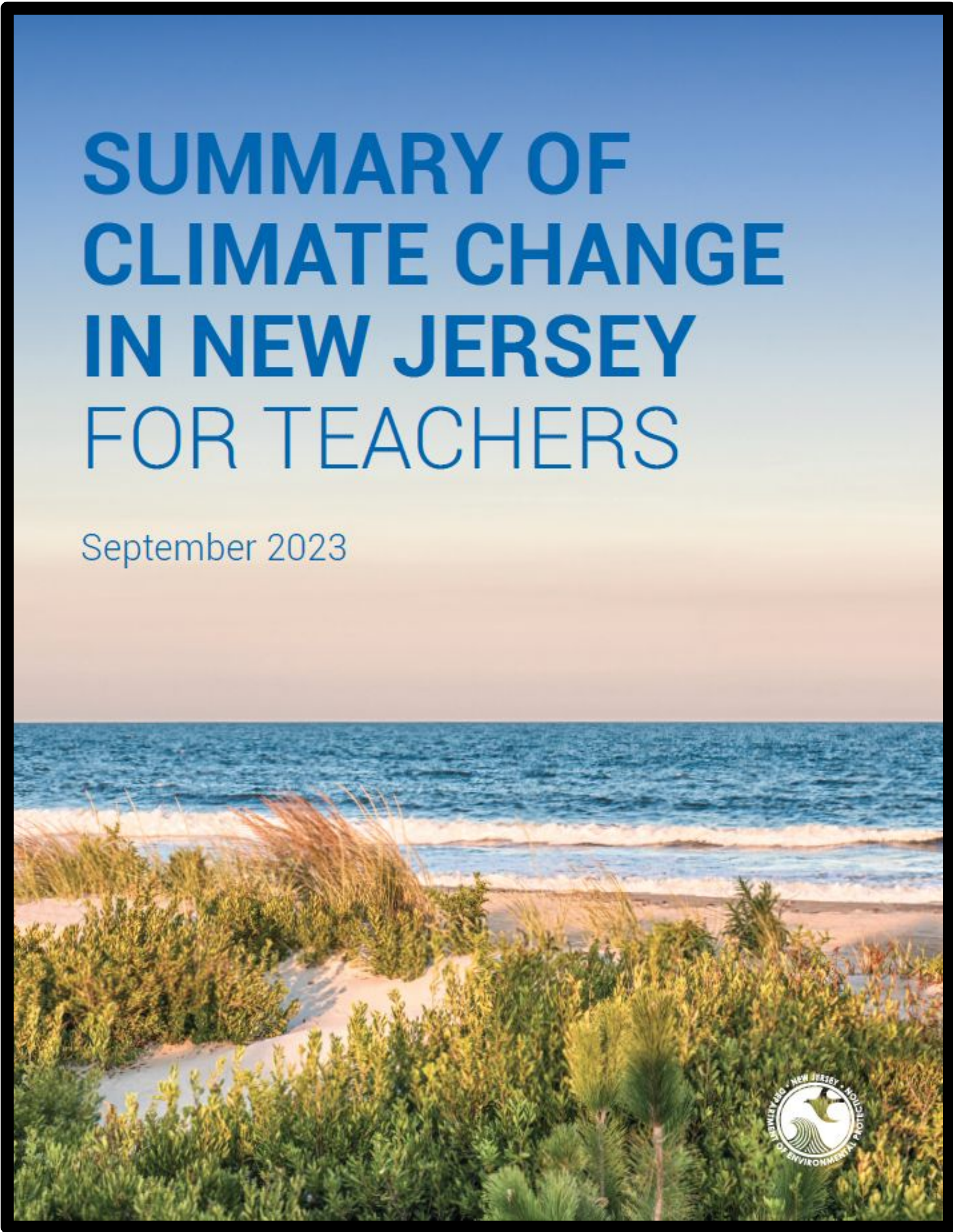


The Placement of
Climate Justice in Public
Schooling

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Background:

As the climate crisis grows, the responsibility to handle its disastrous effects is continually left in the hands of our youth. However, education on the nuances of the climate and its unequal distribution is rare, facing challenges from right-wing politicians, misinformed parents, and a growing sense of apathy from children who believe they have no power to address the problem.



PREPARING OUR YOUTH TO FACE THE
INJUSTICES OF OUR EVER-CHANGING CLIMATE



Well, What’s Being Done
About It?

- New Jersey was among one of the first states to mandate climate change education across all subjects in 2020, followed by Connecticut soon after.
- In these more climate-aware states, teachers are provided with lessons that address social concerns over the climate directly from their governments.

How This Will Helps Our
Kids:

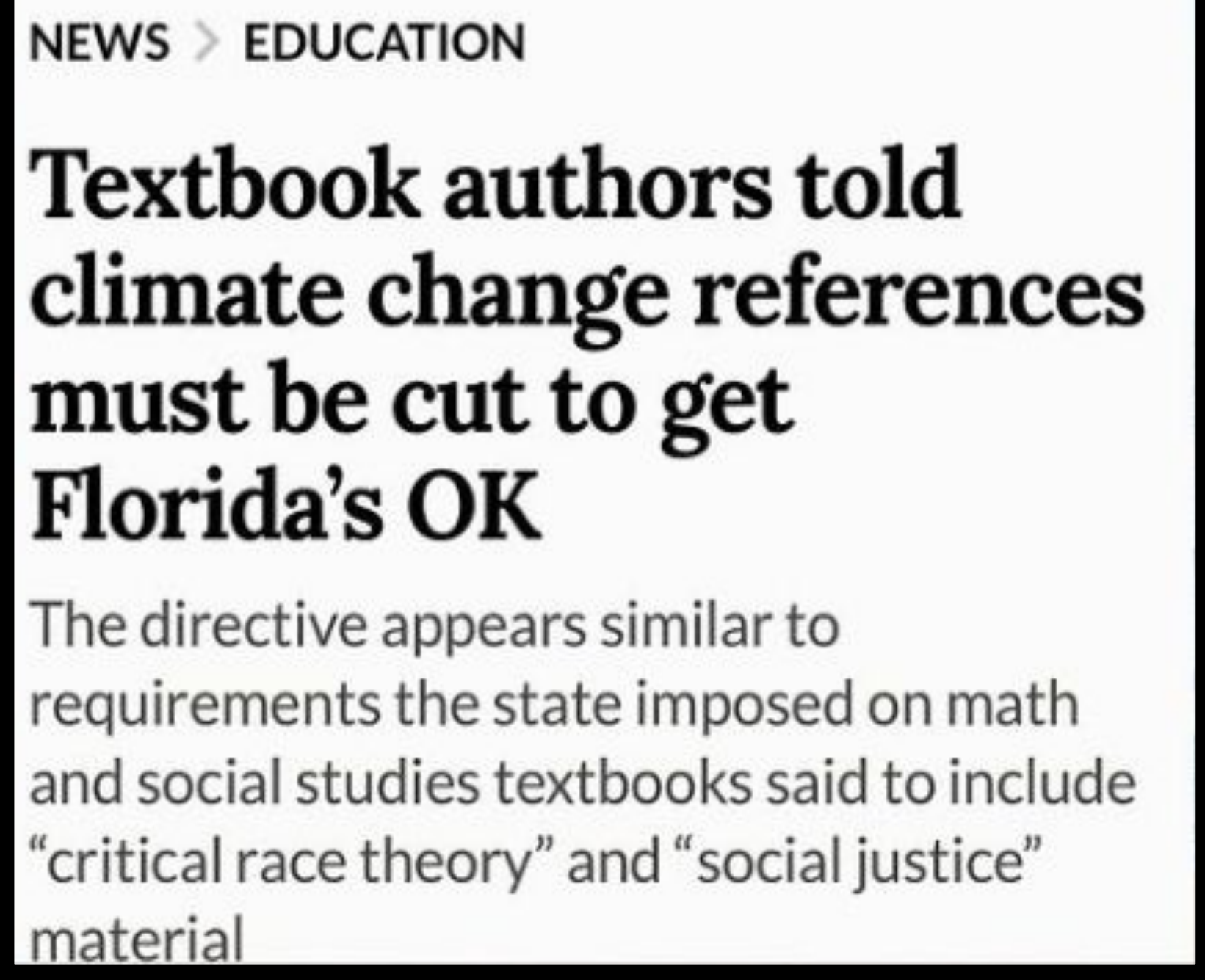
- Research actually supports expansion of climate education, especially in its overlap with social justice. Classrooms that have taught for climate justice have seen active participation in contrast to courses about only the science.
- Teaching climate justice helps shift attitudes on how children feel they can make a difference.

Why should you care?

- Future generations will be most vulnerable to the shifting climate, yet they may not understand its implications.
- As of March 1st of this year, President Trump has signed an executive order to dismantle the DOE, leaving more power to the states on what can and can’t be taught.



- Despite the effects of climate change worsening, states such as Florida have pushed to remove climate education from their curriculum.



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