“China Strains to Fit Migrants Into Mainstream Classes”

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Abstract: Deprived of access to public education migrants turned to private schools, many of them unlicensed and substandard. Trying to right this wrong, China’s State Council, or cabinet, passed a law in 2003 ordering local governments to provide a public school education for all children under their jurisdictions. But the edict created a huge new burden for local governments without providing the money to carry it out.