

STRONGLY OPPOSE

This bill requires school districts to establish educational equity advisory committee. Prescribes duties and membership of committees. Parents are objecting to BLM and LGBTQ+ political speech that equity teams are promoting. Equity teams have caused some strife among staff members. With the addition of this type of political speech, it could further cause declines in enrollment causing families to homeschool or move to private schools.

An Equity Advisory committee would advise the school district and superintendent about the educational equity impacts of policy decisions; and inform the school district board and school district superintendent when a situation arises in a school of the school district that negatively impacts underrepresented students and advise on how best to handle that situation. They would also participate in approving the district budget and revisions of the district's improvement plan, basically acting as an unelected board member with veto power.