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On Behalf Of:

Committee: Senate Committee On Education

Measure: SB1583

I oppose SB 1583. School boards are an essential part of the public education system. Among their important responsibilities, they establish the vision and goals for the public schools in their district and they set performance standards for both the schools and school leadership. They are elected by the people in their community to represent their values, views, and desires for the schools in their district. This bill is nothing more than an attempt at the state level to usurp the authority of local leaders and parents and to advance the political agenda of the party currently occupying the Governor's office and a majority in the Legislative Branch.