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I am OPPOSED to all aspects of HB 4079. Democrat members' attempt to commission local school district superintendents & personnel to carry out the State's opposition exercise to the lawful enforcement of the nation's immigration laws is reprehensible, wrong headed, and just plain stupid. It is not now, nor ever has it been, a local school district's function to interfere with, obstruct, injure, or deplete the sense of safety of, any law enforcement official including fed'l law enforcement personnel performing their lawful duties. Whether one agrees with the current immigration enforcement practices or not, placing civilian school district personnel in the incorrect position of standing in the way of law enforcement is simply a manifestation of the bill sponsors' obsession with fighting against POTUS rather than entering into a cooperative agreement. Why would anyone in their right mind increase the tension & safety risk of this issue ON SCHOOL GROUNDS? Why would anyone in their right mind intentionally jeopardize the benefit of available fed'l funds meant to improve the scholastic purpose & experience in order to make a symbolic stand supported by a noisy & ill-informed few? Not only should this bill be dead on arrival, the sponsoring legislators should be chastised & publicly humiliated for bringing such an ill-conceived, wrong-headed, & blatantly partisan proposal into session in the first place. Kill this bill.