



**Failed in the Senate.**

**SB 427:** School districts would be required to publicly list the names and email addresses of current school board members on district websites as well as on the Kansas Department of Education’s website. Board members must be allowed to add new business items to the agenda at the board meeting, ask questions or engage in discussions with members of the public. Board members may access district property, including any school buildings or attendance centers, during school hours or when there is school or community activities on such property. Members of the public are authorized to address school boards at board meetings. School boards are authorized to pay annual dues to any not-for-profit organization that provides services to member school districts. **This bill was requested by the Kansas Policy Institute (KPI).**

**802 Position:** Opposed

Many of the provisions of this bill are aimed at removing local control from the elected school board. Not a principle most Kansans support, and for this reason The 802 is opposed. Additionally, most school districts currently list their board members on the district website. We are unsure of the purpose of requiring KSDE to maintain a statewide database of BOE members other than perhaps quick access for a group wanting to communication board members from across the state. To our knowledge, there is no provision that currently prevents a district from paying annual dues to any not-for-profit such as the Kansas School Board Resource Center which is under the umbrella of KPI.

| SB 427        | District | Hometown        | Yes | No | Pass |
|---------------|----------|-----------------|-----|----|------|
| Alley         | 32       | Winfield        |     | X  |      |
| Baumgardner   | 37       | Louisburg       | X   |    |      |
| Billinger     | 40       | Goodland        |     |    | X    |
| Blasi         | 27       | Wichita         | X   |    |      |
| Bowers        | 36       | Concordia       |     | X  |      |
| Claeys        | 24       | Salina          | X   |    |      |
| Corson        | 7        | Prairie Village |     | X  |      |
| Dietrich      | 20       | Topeka          |     | X  |      |
| Doll          | 39       | Garden City     |     | X  |      |
| Erickson      | 30       | Wichita         | X   |    |      |
| Fagg          | 14       | El Dorado       | X   |    |      |
| Faust-Goudeau | 29       | Wichita         |     | X  |      |
| Francisco     | 2        | Lawrence        |     | X  |      |
| Gossage       | 9        | Eudora          |     |    | X    |
| Haley         | 4        | Kansas City     |     | X  |      |
| Holland       | 3        | Baldwin City    |     | X  |      |
| Holscher      | 8        | Overland Park   |     | X  |      |
| Kerschen      | 26       | Garden Plain    | X   |    |      |
| Kloos         | 19       | Berryton        | X   |    |      |
| Longbine      | 17       | Emporia         |     | X  |      |

Recorded vote of members of the Senate on SB 427: Changes to Local School Board Meeting Procedures



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|---------------|----|----------------|---|---|---|
| Masterson     | 16 | Andover        | X |   |   |
| McGinn        | 31 | Sedgwick       |   | X |   |
| O'Shea        | 18 | Topeka         |   | X |   |
| Olson         | 23 | Olathe         |   | X |   |
| Peck          | 15 | Havana         |   | X |   |
| Petersen      | 28 | Wichita        | X |   |   |
| Petty         | 6  | Kansas City    |   | X |   |
| Pittman       | 5  | Leavenworth    |   | X |   |
| Pyle          | 1  | Hiawatha       | X |   |   |
| Reddi         | 22 | Manhattan      |   | X |   |
| Ryckman       | 38 | Meade          |   | X |   |
| Shallenburger | 13 | Baxter Springs |   | X |   |
| Steffen       | 34 | Hutchinson     | X |   |   |
| Straub        | 33 | Ellinwood      | X |   |   |
| Sykes         | 21 | Lenexa         |   | X |   |
| Thompson      | 10 | Shawnee        | X |   |   |
| Tyson         | 12 | Parker         |   | X |   |
| Ware          | 25 | Wichita        |   | X |   |
| Warren        | 11 | Leawood        |   |   | X |
| Wilborn       | 35 | McPherson      |   | X |   |