

KEA President's Points

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Dear Member,

UPDATE ON SB 3 INFORMATION!

Today, [SB 3](#) had two readings and will be heard in the Senate Education Committee tomorrow, January 10 at 1 p.m. in the Capitol Building, Room 327.

This bill dramatically alters the education community voice in our SBDM councils.

Needless to say there is much in this bill that we cannot support and has much in it that goes against goals in the KEA legislative program.

We need members to begin contacting members of the Senate Education committee. The committee is:

- [Sen. Max Wise](#) [Chair]
- [Sen. Stephen West](#) [Vice Chair]
- [Sen. David P. Givens](#)
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We should begin to voice our opposition to the changes articulated below:

- Section 1(a) reduces the number of teacher representatives from three to two.
- Forces councils to set school policies consistent with district board policy and develop goals consistent with district school board goals.
- Superintendents, after consultation with the school council, would now be the person to select principal vacancies.
- Eliminates KRS 160.345 (12) - "Discretionary authority exercised under subsection (2)(h)2b of this section shall not violate provisions of any employer-employee bargained contract existing between the district and its employees."

We should continue to voice our support for:

- The consideration of adding an additional member on the SBDM in the form of a classified school employee, elected by the members of the classified employees in the building.
- Keeping the educator majority voice on school councils.
- Keeping principal selection a responsibility of each individual school community and not the decision of one person.

You can send legislators an email or leave a message on the legislative message line at 1-800-372-7181.

Save the Date



JAN 8 - 11	2019 Legislature in Session
JAN 14 - FEB 4	2019 Legislature in Recess
JAN 15	KEA Deadline to submit KEA Constitutional Amendments
JAN 21	MLK Holiday
JAN 23	KEA #DifferenceMakers Student Art Contest Entries due to KEA HQ

Sincerely,

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