

HB 400 -- Educational Service Agencies

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This bill creates a new section of law governing the creation of educational service agencies that develop, provide, or manage instructional services for school districts. These agencies must be designated by contract, organized as nonprofit corporations, and considered as political subdivisions whose governing board and employees are subject to the same conflict of interest provisions as public employees. Meetings of the board of a service agency are public meetings pursuant to state law (Chapter 610, RSMo). The granting of a contract to a service agency does not relieve a school district of its obligation to provide the services it has contracted for.