



MISSOURI HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
WITNESS APPEARANCE FORM

BILL NUMBER: HB 1365		DATE: 4/9/2025	
COMMITTEE: Elementary and Secondary Education			
TESTIFYING: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> IN SUPPORT OF <input type="checkbox"/> IN OPPOSITION TO <input type="checkbox"/> FOR INFORMATIONAL PURPOSES			
WITNESS NAME			
BUSINESS/ORGANIZATION:			
WITNESS NAME: BRANDI BENZ		PHONE NUMBER: 573-280-5921	
BUSINESS/ORGANIZATION NAME: MAESP		TITLE: PRINCIPAL	
ADDRESS: 3550 AMAZONAS			
CITY: JEFFERSON CITY		STATE: MO	ZIP: 65109
EMAIL:	ATTENDANCE:	SUBMIT DATE: 4/9/2025 12:00 AM	
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WITNESS NAME: DEBORAH J. HILL		PHONE NUMBER: 573-473-5220	
BUSINESS/ORGANIZATION NAME: MISSOURI ASSOCIATION OF SECONDARY SCHOOL PRINCIPALS		TITLE: PRESIDENT ELECT	
ADDRESS: 207 PEACHWAY, SUITE 102			
CITY: COLUMBIA		STATE: MO	ZIP: 65203
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WITNESS NAME: MATT MICHELSON		PHONE NUMBER: 573-680-6188	
REPRESENTING: MISSOURI STATE TEACHERS ASSOCIATION		TITLE:	
ADDRESS: 407 S. 6TH ST.			
CITY: COLUMBIA		STATE: MO	ZIP: 65205
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WITNESS NAME: OTTO FAJEN		PHONE NUMBER: 573-634-3202	
REPRESENTING: MISSOURI NEA		TITLE:	
ADDRESS: 1810 E. ELM ST.			
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WITNESS NAME: STACEY D. FICK		PHONE NUMBER: 573-694-6464	
BUSINESS/ORGANIZATION NAME: MAESP		TITLE:	
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WITNESS NAME: ARNIE C."HONEST-ABE" DIENOFF-STATE PUBLIC ADVOCATE		PHONE NUMBER:	
BUSINESS/ORGANIZATION NAME:		TITLE:	
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CITY:		STATE:	ZIP:
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I am Opposed to this Bill for several reasons. Isn't this Policy of Administrator Evaluation and Administrator Contracts already being done as Acceptable Best-Practices. This Bill takes away Local Control and School Board Authority.



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WITNESS NAME: GENNIFER MONTEER		PHONE NUMBER:	
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Chaplains are wonderful people in certain roles. Not as a counselor for a child in a public school. They are NOT qualified and their own religion may interfere with proper care!!



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WITNESS NAME: JERE HOCHMAN		PHONE NUMBER:	
BUSINESS/ORGANIZATION NAME:		TITLE:	
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CITY:		STATE:	ZIP:
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NO! OPPOSE. Good idea but not without necessary preparation, training, and TIME. On the surface, of course it makes sense. The instructional leaders are responsible for instruction, development, supervision, and accountability. That does not occur overnight - neither the development and training of administrators or allocation of duties to overworked administrators with only so many hours in the day. The result will be top-down mandates on lesson design, scripted lessons, rote (and boring) practice sessions for kids alone on ipad. Checklists for inexperienced administrators to follow. Some administrators are two years out of the classroom. That in itself is unfair to the teachers and kids and sets the administrator up for non-success. Stop fixing. Develop systemic, well-informed, common sense responses to your perceived problems.