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Please vote "NO" on HB 2612.

This type of legislation sets the stage to remove accreditation to any public school (ONLY), once the legislature introduces a bill to ban the teaching of "true history"- (anti-CRT or anti-LGBTQ+ laws, as an example).

What's worse, this type of legislation will be harmful to the bright students who have plans to attend college or higher ed. If their high school isn't accredited when they apply for college, they could be denied admissions by no fault of their own.

It's also not fair to our public schools that they're expected to be held to a certain level of compliance with state statute when the KS Legislature itself hasn't met statutory requirements to fully fund special education.

Please vote "NO" on HB 2612.

Sincerely,

Sherrine McLaughlin