

Kylie Kilmer
Regarding HB2452
January 17, 2026

Dear Elections Committee,

My name is Kylie Kilmer, and I hold an elected seat on the Abilene, Kansas School Board.

I oppose HB2452.

I am proud to serve on a non-partisan school board with seats filled by community members of all political backgrounds and experiences. Our board works collaboratively on nearly all votes, regardless of our backgrounds, and we have had only one split vote in my time on the board. Because we are elected as non-partisan officials, the dynamic of the board has been incredibly productive with very little political tension. Our work together has resulted in positive, forward movement in our district.

Moving local non-partisan positions to even year ballots to align with politically divided elections risks further dividing our communities, resulting in the destruction of trusting, collaborative boardrooms.

Keeping municipal and school board elections as non-partisan elections is essential to the integrity of the board and our work.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,
Kylie C. Kilmer, MS.Ed
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