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Proponent Testimony for House Bill 2382

House Committee on Education

Cathy Hopkins and Danny Zeck, Liaisons
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Chair Goetz and members of the Committee,

Thank you for bringing House Bill 2382 forward and for the opportunity to provide proponent testimony on behalf of the State Board of Education. The State Board of Education voted to prioritize changing statute to provide equitable compensation for State Board members in line with recent changes in Legislative compensation in the Board's 2025 Legislative Priorities.

House Bill 2382 supports this priority by amending statute to establish the daily compensation rate for members of the State Board of Education in an amount that corresponds to the daily compensation rate of members of the Legislature while in session. Similar to priorities outlined by the Legislative Compensation Commission, this will support maintaining an elected citizen State Board of Education and encourage participation from a broad range of individuals to represent their communities.

Thank you for your thoughtful consideration of our testimony,

Cathy Hopkins

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Kansas leads the world in the success of each student.