



**Oral Opponent Testimony on
SB 341, postsecondary agreements
Senate Education Committee**

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Madam Chair and Members of the Committee,

KASB opposes SB 341 as currently written. We certainly appreciate the focus on the partnerships between local boards of education and the state's post-secondary institutions; dual and concurrent enrollment has benefited not only our students but also boosted our state's economy by preparing kids for high-paying, in-demand jobs.

Our concerns are three-fold. First, our member-adopted legislative platform calls for local boards of education to have authority over agreements with our post-secondary partners.

Second, and I believe this concern may be addressed by a pending amendment, SB 341 as currently written interferes with each local school district's individually negotiated agreement with its teacher bargaining unit. We'd support an amendment to address our concerns.

Finally, as we read the current text of the bill, it would artificially cap compensation for K-12 teachers who teach dual/concurrent enrollment classes at secondary institutions. We oppose any such barrier to recruiting and retaining quality educators to our public schools.

Thank you. I'll stand for questions at the appropriate time.

Thank you.



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