



Oral opponent testimony on
HB 2224, increasing the number of school days and hours

In

House Education

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Mr. Chair and members of the committee,

KASB appears today in opposition to HB 2224.

Our legislative policies, reaffirmed by our members in November 2022, support the State Board of Education's constitutional oversight of Kansas public schools and the constitutional authority of locally-elected school boards to manage their districts. HB 2224 appears to conflict with the provisions of Article 6 of the Kansas Constitution.

Additionally, HB 2224 appears to add a significant number of days to the school year without making a legislative commitment to fund the additional costs districts would incur to pay classroom educators and other staff.

KASB cannot support HB 2224 unless these constitutional and fiscal issues are appropriately addressed.

Thank you.

KASB is a non-profit service organization built on an abiding belief in Kansas public schools. We have put the needs of students and K-12 leaders first since 1917.

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