

To the honorable Chairman and committee members:

“When an opponent declares, I will not come over to your side, I will calmly say, ‘Your child belongs to us already. What are you? You will pass on. Your descendants... now stand in the new camp.’”

So declared Adolf Hitler of the Third Reich. Their education was from the top down. No local control.

My grandma survived that education system. In 1948, she happily emigrated to America. Today, she sadly says that America is like the Third Reich—centrally planned and controlled. A few people dictate to millions of others how to live, how to teach their children. “Common Core” takes away parental and local authority, and gives power to distant bureaucrats who don’t know Kansas children.

H.B. 2292 restores local control of education. We Kansans know how to educate Kansas children. I urge you to pass the bill out of committee without any amendments.

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