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Chairman Highland and House Education Committee Members,

I am writing as a proponent of HB 2292.

Everything I have investigated concerning The Kansas College and Career Ready Standards, aka Common Core Standards, has proven that they are based on deception and faulty thinking. Exactly the opposite of what we should expect from our educational system. Attached is a short document depicting the “core” faults with these “common” standards. Specific faults are many and have been documented by some in the educational field. But you don’t need to be an educator to understand something is wrong with these standards.

On the Kansas Department of Education website on page 5 of the document “Understanding the Common Core Standards” is an example of a 4th grade math problem comparing before and after common core.

BEFORE Common Core = One Correct Answer.

AFTER Common Core = “It also demonstrates that some math problems can have more than one right answer.”

That’s insane. There can only be **one** answer with a math problem, given defined parameters. Does anyone think that having more than one right answer in math is a higher standard?

Extend this type of thinking to other subjects and we will soon have no solid, objective, factual basis for anything! Our history will be subjectively obliterated!

I request your help in stopping that from happening.

I ask that you support HB 2292 and pass the bill out of committee.

Respectfully,

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Stop Common Core Here!

Standards: Standards determined by the State or districts within the State can currently be changed anytime.

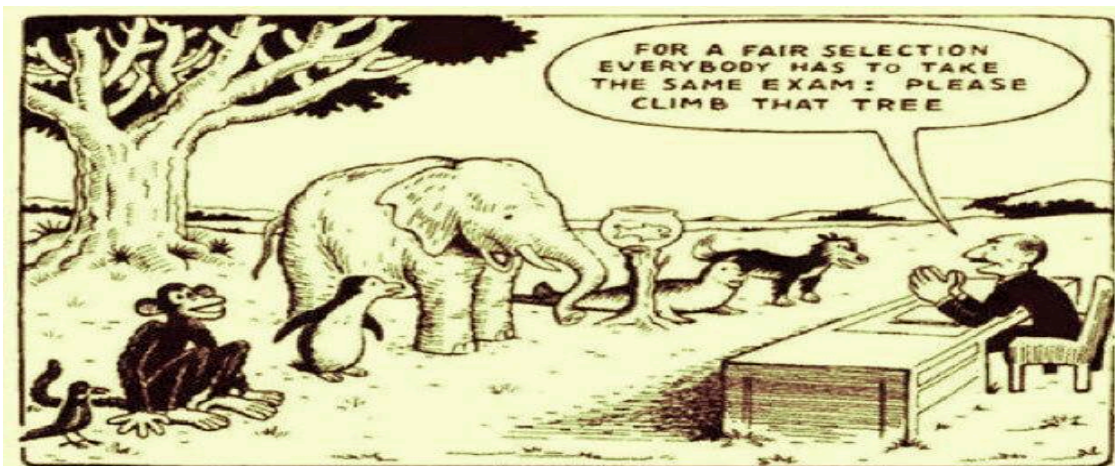
Why limit future courses of action?

Competition: Competition between individuals, states, and the three branches of federal government has produced the most successful nation in history.

Why endorse a single non-competitive standard?

History: History shows that power concentrated in a central government produces harmful results!

Why would educators, of all people, disregard the facts and evidence of history?



Our Education System

"Everybody is a genius. But if you judge a fish by its ability to climb a tree, it will live its whole life believing that it is stupid."

- Albert Einstein