

Written Only Testimony as a Proponent of HB2292

My name is Sandra Connary of Wichita Kansas and I am in favor HB2292 concerning withdrawal from our involvement in Common Core State Standards (CCSS). I believe that the adoption of Common Core in 2010 was a mistake in judgment without complete knowledge of the ramifications to our local schools, the students and teachers.

Education is a state and local control issue and should not be controlled or interfered with by private third parties who are unelected, unaccountable and not subject to transparency laws. I do not want a one-size-fits-all “dumbing down” of our K-12 educational system.

Students learn in many, many different ways and our talented and caring teachers should be free to teach pupils in the best manner suited to each individual situation. I believe in the free market of ideas and that state and local schools should be free to innovate new and better learning standards and methods without federal pressures or mandates.

Common Core violates personal and family privacy for unnecessary and unrelated data collection to be shared with outside organizations as a tool for someone’s profit. Our children are a God given blessing entrusted to us as parents to nurture, educate and help grow into competent functioning adult citizens not robots or pegs to fit into someone’s planned agenda.

Thank you, and I do support HB2292

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