

Testimony for The House Committee on Federal and State Affairs
From The Kansas National Education Association
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Mr. Chair and Members of the Committee the Kansas National Education Association supports the passage of HB 2200 regarding state employees and bullying in the workplace. We believe that by passing HB 2200 you will put in place the process to stop work place bullying which in turn increases worker productivity and job satisfaction.

In recent years KNEA worked with the legislature to pass a bullying bill that put into place definitions and processes in which to address the problem of bullying in schools. Our experience has been positive regarding the implementation of the law a few years ago. While there is more work to be done regarding bullying in schools there would be less progress regarding the issue without the law being in place.

The same process is necessary for state employees to have in place a method to deal with work place bullying. Therefore we recommend that you pass HB 2200 favorably out of committee.

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