

February 22, 2021

Attn: Cindy Harris - Kansas House of Representatives

To Whom It May Concern:

My name is Rebecca Becker and I am a Proponent of H.B.2354. I have been in Education for 30+ years and I have been a member of a “Teacher’s Union” off and on and I have now chosen not to be these last 4 years. My decision to not be a member has come from investigating and watching the policies/procedures of the Union I was in and deciding I would not support it both financially and verbally.

To be forced to contribute and join or continue or (trouble in opting out) not continue membership is and should be against our First Amendment right and is protected. I have been very disappointed and disturbed with the recent actions and policies of the main Teacher Unions.

I am so very thankful that I found KANAAE a Teacher’s Association that has their policies, procedures and actions in the right direction. They support Teachers and the Education of Children with a true caring and Never ever hold Educators as Hostages!

I love Teaching and consider myself Blessed to do what I truly Love. Yet if I were forced to return to the Teachers Union I used to be a member of, I can guarantee you that I would quit the profession of Teaching!

Teacher Unions affect Teachers, the Profession of Education and our Children/Young Adults and I believe that they are not “Leading” but “Forcing” us All down a very wrong and dark path that is deeply driven by Politics and an unending hunger for Power and Greed. This fact has no place when we are teaching, growing and developing our “Greatest Natural Resource”...Our Children and Young Adults.

Please Pass H.B. 2354 to Protect All of Us...Teachers and Families and Communities and our State. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Rebecca Becker

