

KEA President's Points

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Dear Member,

Call your state **SENATORS** and ask them to vote **NO** on [HB 520](#)- Charter school legislation that would allow for-profit charter schools in any school district in the state and also allows for local mayors to be authorizers.

**LEGISLATIVE
RECAP**



The Legislative Contact line is: 1-800-372-7181- For more information about HB 520 please click [here](#).

Dedicated KEA members stayed in Frankfort for 2 days to attend both regular and special called meetings of the House Education Committee last week. I want to give a BIG shout out to KEA's EKEA, Second, and Retired Districts for putting in long hours advocating for their students in the House and Senate education meetings over a 3 day period.

Yesterday, the House Education Committee heard and passed [SB 1](#), sponsored by Sen. Mike Wilson. **KEA SUPPORTS** this bill. It will now go to the full House to be considered.

Last week's legislative recap can be located [here](#).

TELL Survey- Have YOU responded yet?

Let's make our goal of a 95% response rate!

TELL
TEACHING,
EMPOWERING,
LEADING AND
LEARNING
Kentucky

The biennial web-based TELL (Teaching, Empowering, Leading and Learning) Kentucky Survey is voluntary, anonymous and confidential, and is designed to gather input from certified educators about

working conditions in Kentucky's schools. **Our state response rate after 1 week is 27.93%.**

Congratulations to the following school districts for already achieving a response rate of over 90%:

- Jackson Ind. 95.24%
- West Point Ind. 91.67%
- Butler County 91.43%

All building-level certified educators may complete the survey independently during the month of March 2017, from any Internet-enabled device. During the survey period March 1-31, 2017, school and state response rates may be tracked at <https://tellkentucky.org/>. Our statewide response goal is 95%! Together we can make it happen! TELL Kentucky Survey results will be available in June 2017.

KEA -NEA Representative Assembly Elections Online NOW

KEA certified and classified members can vote for delegates to the NEA Representatives Assembly. Voting will open at 6 am on March 1 and will close at 6 pm ET on March 31, 2017. To vote please click [here](#).

Dates to Remember:



- Mar 8** Deadline to reserve rooms for the KEA DA
- ****** Pre-Delegate Caucuses occur for all KEA Districts this month
- April 5-7** KEA Delegate Assembly
- June 12-13** Let's TALK Conference, Lexington KY
- June 17-18** RESPECT Conference, for all classified employees
- June 27-29** NBCT Jumpstart Training www.kea.org

Sincerely,

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