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SEN. DOLORES GRESHAM
SENATE EDUCATION COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN
(Received \$15,500 from Students First in 2012)

WHY WE ARE AGAINST SB0830/HB0702

These bills will allow the Charter to by pass the local school board and go directly to the state for approval. That means every Charter that wants to open its doors in TN will be allowed to do so. Students First is lobbying for this bill and Sen. Gresham has received a lot of campaign money from SF. See why we are against this bill in the



"THEY" CAN OUT SPEND US BUT THE ONLY WAY "THEY" CAN BEAT US IF WE ALLOW THEM TO OUT NUMBER US!!!

We have been waiting for OUR time and OUR time is NOW. I am only going to say this one more time. If WE do not show up in huge numbers; If WE do not make thousands of phone calls and send thousands of emails THEY win!!!! It is up to you. If you think our legislators are going to do the right thing by us you are sadly mistaken. If you think we have no voice or power again you are sadly mistaken. We may lose some battles but in the end if citizens are committed and courageous we will win this war. Plan A might not work but I guarantee Plan B will if you make it happen. **PLEASE make every effort to be on our weekly Common Core Conference Call.** We will have our weekly conference call: Monday,



REP. HARRY BROOKS
HOUSE EDUCATION COMMITTEE - CHAIRMAN
(Received \$2,000 from Students First)

HB1129 Sponsor Rep. Timothy Hill

PLEASE call the HOUSE EDUCATION SUBCOMMITTEE (**NOW**) and ask for a YES vote on this bill. They have answering machines so call now PLEASE. The opposition feels this is dictating curriculum. PLEEEASE!

NY REPEAL COMMON CORE

This bill is simple and right to the point. We want this bill in TN. I had

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Education Committee contact information in this newsletter to email and call every member of the House and Senate Education Committee and ask them to vote NO for these bills. Of course no need to call Gresham or Tate. I am sure if they are sponsoring the bill they are already convinced they will vote for it. Ms. Rhee is back in town and has her check book opened.

SENATE EDUCATION BILLS. I sent these attachments to every state legislator.

[THE DESTRUCTION OF LOCAL GOVERNANCE CROSSING A LINE](#) (THIS EXPLAINS SB0830-HB0702)
[SCHOOL BOARD BEWARE](#)

WE DO NOT SUPPORT EITHER OF THESE BILLS

Copy of each bill can be viewed by clicking on the links below.

[DATA SB1469](#)
[DATA SB1470](#)

209-747-1600 Pin: 915138#. The call will be recorded and you can listen to the recording after the call ends by dialing 209-647-1699 Pin: 915138#

NO COMPROMISE - REPEAL COMMON CORE STANDARDS

Our objective was and will remain to repeal the Common Core Standards; more commonly known as the GLUE that holds the assessments and the curriculum together and that includes data collection. We MUST not allow them to divert us from the objective by bills to remove PARCC, protect data (the government wants that data and they WILL get the data no matter what bills our state passes). Passing a bill to address future standards is also another smoke and mirror objective. I am not against supporting these bills but our top priority will remain the REPEAL OF COMMON CORE STANDARDS in TENNESSEE.

with the sponsor of this bill. Assemblyman Al Graf. We will discuss this bill on our Monday night call. We might have to get a team together to shop this bill in Nashville.

[A07994](#)

SJR0491 Sponsored by Sen. Gresham

This mess speaks for itself. A Resolution is a statement with no teeth and no power to change anything. We must look really stupid to this Senator. How can you say you will not allow something that has already taken place???

[SJR0491](#)



KEVIN HUFFMAN - TN STATE EDUCATION COMMISSIONER
CCSSO - (BOD); PARCC -

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GOVERNOR BILL
HASLAM
NGA (FINANCE) ACHIEVE
(BOD)

FUTURE USE



PLAN B - WHAT ARE YOUR SUGGESTIONS

So far the overwhelming response has been to withdraw our children out of the system. I want to discuss (on our conference call) the option of doing this in the summer

1. Boycott Public Schools
2. RINO hunt - select and target a couple of Republican legislators and work as a statewide team to take them out of office in 2014. Target legislators that were on the wrong side of the issue.
3. Create a resource website to provide help for parents that want to take their kids out of public school

RADIO AD DONATIONS NEEDED

\$18 BUYS US 60 SECONDS ON 101.3 CLEVELAND

FOR CHANGE (MEMBER)
HE IS WHAT IS WRONG IN
TN EDUCATION
(awarded a \$6.6 million dollar no-bid contract to his old employer Teach For America)

CAMPAIGN
CONTRIBUTIONS (??) TO
EDUCATION COMMITTEE
MEMBERS

This list will be posted in this Newsletter every week. This is not a complete list of TN Legislators that received money from Students First. Students First is a radical, progressive organization that works with other like minded organizations to fundamentally transform America through education. The founder of SF (Michelle Rhee) was married to TN Education Commissioner Kevin Huffman. Both worked for Teach For America. She also sits on the Board of **The Broad Superintendent Academy**. Two of the lead writers of Common Core

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**CONTACT KAREN BRACKEN IF YOU
WOULD LIKE TO DONATE TO OUR
RADIO AD FUND**

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LEGISLATION INFORMATION

[2014 LEGISLATIVE TRACKING SHEET](#)

Attached please find our tracking spreadsheet. As bills roll in I will be updating this spreadsheet every Thursday with status of our bills.

**WHAT CAN WE DO TO GET MORE PEOPLE
ENGAGED AND ACTIVE?? SEND ME YOUR PLAN
OR IDEA.**

TENNESSEE AGAINST COMMON CORE ACTION REQUESTS

1. Make a personal commitment to prioritize the next 9 weeks as THE most important and do whatever you can to help in this fight
2. Get other to join www.tnacc.net
3. Call/Email the House Education Sub Committee - **Request they vote YES for HB1129 due to be heard on 1/21/14**
4. BE SURE TO CONTACT YOUR STATE REPRESENTATIVE AND YOUR STATE SENATOR
MESSAGE: REPEAL COMMON CORE STANDARDS - NO COMPROMISE
5. Flyer blitz your neighborhood. Ask your church leader if you can hand out a flyer before or after services.

**Student Achievement
Partners** are listed on SF
IRS 990 form as Board
Members (David Coleman
and Jason Zimba) It's all
so cozy. Nothing here is
illegal. But being legal
doesn't make it right!!!

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**WHOEVER PAYS THE
BILLS MAKES THE
RULES**

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POSTCARD CAMPAIGN

Attached are both JPEG and PDF files of our postcards for your personal use. They can be printed and mailed (print on thick cardstock) add 33 cent stamp.

I would encourage you to start mailing to all the legislators on the House and Senate Education Committees (23). The front and back are already populated all you have to do is add NO COMPROMISE if you want to and the legislators address. If you or your group would like to purchase these cards already made up I believe they run about 15 cents each. Let me know and I will assist you in getting them.

[JPEG FRONT](#)

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REMEMBER: WHOEVER PAYS THE BILLS MAKES THE RULES

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