

SAMPLE RESOLUTION ON HOUSE BILL 253

_____ **Board of Education**

WHEREAS, Missouri already has one of the lowest state tax burdens in the nation; and

WHEREAS, House bill 253 would reduce state revenue by more than \$800 million annually and up to \$1.2 billion as soon as Congress passes the Marketplace Fairness Act; and

WHEREAS, House Bill 253 would jeopardize the ability of the state to provide adequate funding for our public schools for years to come; and

WHEREAS, House bill 253 could cost the <insert school district> up to <insert numbers from DESE/OA >; and

WHEREAS, the foundation formula for funding public schools is already underfunded by approximately \$600 million; and

WHEREAS, the <insert school district> has already seen reductions of <insert any local cuts>; and

WHEREAS, House Bill 253 would also jeopardize the ability of the state to fund public education and other critical state services; and

WHEREAS, House Bill 253 would prohibit the <insert school district> from investing in <insert possible local initiatives>; and

WHEREAS, House Bill 253 is a fiscally irresponsible bill that would threaten the credit rating of the state and increase borrowing costs for the state and the <insert school district>; and

WHEREAS, House Bill 253 would undermine the budget of the <insert school district> and the quality of education for our students;

Therefore be it RESOLVED, the _____ Board of Education on this ___ day of _____, hereby urges the General Assembly to sustain the veto of House Bill 253.

NAME OF BOARD PRESIDENT