

POLICY: 205.6

BOARD LEGISLATIVE AND LIAISON FUNCTION

The Board must operate within the state and federal laws affecting school districts. The Board must work for the passage of laws designed to advance the cause of public schools and for the repeal or modification of laws that impede this cause. Therefore, the Board shall, when appropriate:

- develop a legislative program through liaison efforts and/or interactions at conferences with state and national Board associations.
- will actively work for the achievement of common legislative objectives through these associations and related groups.
- seek both direct and indirect representation of its position on pending legislation with appropriate state and federal legislators and legislative committees.
- seek representation in Board associations and/or assemblies of those associations.

Being aware of and expressing an opinion on proposed education-related law revisions and new laws is essential for a Board to maintain and create an education program to meet the needs of the District. A Board member who encourages a state official to pass, defeat or modify an education-related law or rule shall be registered as a lobbyist.

The Secretary shall keep the Board informed on affairs of Board Associations and those Associations representing Board concerns/interests.

LEGAL REFERENCE: Iowa Code §279.8 (1991)
Iowa Code §68B (Iowa Acts. 1992)

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