

KENTUCKY GENERAL ASSEMBLY AMENDMENT FORM
2024 REGULAR SESSION
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Amend printed copy of **HB 449/SCS 1**

On page 1, after line 2, insert the following:

"➔SECTION 1. A NEW SECTION OF KRS CHAPTER 160 IS CREATED TO READ AS FOLLOWS:

- (1) No later than November 1, 2024, each local board of education shall adopt a policy establishing a code of ethics for members of the local board of education. The policy shall, at a minimum, include the provisions of the model code of ethics policy published by the Kentucky School Boards Association as it existed on January 1, 2024.
- (2) (a) In accordance with KRS 7.410, the Office of Education Accountability shall have the duty and responsibility to investigate current local board of education members for allegations of a substantial violation of a local board of education’s code of ethics policy.
- (b) If, after an investigation, the Office of Education Accountability determines that a current local board of education member has committed a substantial violation of the local board of education’s code of ethics policy, the Office of Education Accountability shall refer the matter to the Attorney General."; and

Renumber subsequent section; and

On page 2, lines 10 to 22, delete all language and insert the following in lieu thereof:

"(3) (a) A member of a board of education shall be subject to removal from office pursuant

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Rep. Sen. Jimmy Higdon

Committee Amendment _____

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to KRS 415.050 and 415.060 if, after the election the ~~[of any] member;~~ ~~[of the board,~~
~~he]~~

1. Becomes interested in any contract with or claims against the board, of the kind mentioned in ~~[paragraph (g) of]~~ subsection (2)(e) of this section; ~~;~~ ~~or if he]~~
2. Moves his or her residence from the district for which he or she was chosen; ~~;~~ ~~or if he]~~
3. Attempts to influence the hiring of any school employee, except the superintendent ~~[of schools]~~ or school board attorney; ~~;~~ ~~or [if he]~~
4. Does anything that would render the member ~~[him]~~ ineligible for reelection ~~;~~ ~~he shall be subject to removal from office pursuant to KRS 415.050 and 415.060].~~

(b) A member of a board of education may be subject to removal from office pursuant to KRS 415.050 and 415.060 for a violation of the code of ethics policy adopted by the board of education in accordance with Section 1 of this Act."