HOUSE BILL No. 2872

By Committee on Education

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9 AN ACT relating to evaluations of education employees; amending 10 K.S.A. 72-9004 and repealing the existing section.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Kansas:

Section 1. K.S.A. 72-9004 is hereby amended to read as follows: 72-9004. Evaluation policies adopted under K.S.A. 72-9003, and amendments thereto, shall meet the following guidelines or criteria:

- (a) Consideration shall be given to the following employee attributes: Efficiency, *absenteeism*, *ethical conduct*, personal qualities, professional deportment, ability, results and performance, including improvement in the academic performance of pupils or students insofar as the evaluated employee has authority to cause such academic improvement, in the case of teachers, the capacity to maintain control of pupils or students, and such other matters as may be deemed material.
- (b) Community attitudes toward, support for and expectations with regard to educational programs along with pupil evaluations shall be reflected
- (c) The original policy and amendments thereto shall be developed by the board in cooperation with the persons responsible for making evaluations and the persons who are to be evaluated, and, to the extent practicable, consideration shall be given to comment and suggestions from other community interests.
- (d) Evaluations of teachers at grade level nine or above shall include evaluations by pupils. Evaluations of the chief administrator employed by a board shall be made by the board. The board shall place primary responsibility upon members of the administrative staff in making evaluations of other employees.
- (e) Persons to be evaluated shall participate in their evaluations, and shall be afforded the opportunity for self-evaluation.
- (f) The contract of any person subject to evaluation shall not be non-renewed on the basis of incompetence unless an evaluation of such person has been made prior to notice of nonrenewal of the contract and unless the evaluation is in substantial compliance with the board's policy of personnel evaluation procedure as filed with the state board in accordance with the provisions of K.S.A. 72-9003, and amendments thereto.

- Sec. 2. K.S.A. 72-9004 is hereby repealed.

 Sec. 3. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its publication in the statute book.