

Chair and Members of the Committee,

My name is Amber Falgout and I am the Communications Director with Battle Born Progress. Battle Born Progress stands with the Nevada State Education Association (NSEA) in strong opposition to AB236. This bill removes NSEA as the nominating authority for key education boards and councils, threatening statewide educator representation and weakening the voices of teachers and students across Nevada.

For 125 years, NSEA has led the fight for public education, representing educators in all 17 school districts and ensuring rural, urban, and special education voices are heard. Their nominees bring expertise, experience, and a student-first approach to policymaking. Stripping NSEA's role would disrupt leadership and exclude critical perspectives from these important decision-making bodies.

If the goal is to expand representation, we urge an alternative approach—adding a representative nominated by the Clark County Education Association (CCEA) while maintaining NSEA's essential role. We ask for your NO vote on AB236 to protect Nevada's students, teachers, and public education system.

Thank you.