

Good morning,

I am reaching out to you today in regards to HB 463 and the concerns which directly impact local boards of health. The bill seeks to abolish the District Advisory Council (DAC) which is made up of all political subdivisions served by the Board of Health and Knox Public Health is opposed to such a position. Furthermore, the concerns brought forward by the bill sponsor & other interested parties will not be addressed nor redirected in a positive manner by moving local health districts under the direction of their county commissioners. State mandated programs (food, sewage, etc.) and director orders would remain the same under the control outlined in this proposed bill.

Please understand the local health districts are actively collaborating with parties of the bill sponsor to mitigate the concerns brought forward & ensure that all political subdivisions within each county jurisdiction continue to be involved through the DAC.

Respectfully,

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