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RE: HB 463

The Members of the Trustees of Hamilton Township – Lawrence County, do <u>NOT</u> support the passage of HB 463.

HB 463 would eliminate the District Advisory Council. Our local health department feels the current situation with the DAC is working well, and the purposed changes are NOT necessary.

The Township that we represent has always had a good solid relationship with the local health department. Simply consolidating the approval body to the county commissioners does not increase the accountability, transparency of the decisions of the board of health.

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