

HB 271 -- SCHOOL BOARD CONTINUING EDUCATION

SPONSOR: Sommer

This bill establishes continuing education requirements for school board members. Board members in districts that are provisionally accredited, have any school building scoring less than fully accredited, or that the Department of Elementary and Secondary Education deems as needing additional support must complete a total of 12 hours of continuing education training annually with at least six hours on specified subjects. The training must not replace and must be in addition to the specified orientation and training requirements for new school board members. Incumbent board members who have served on the board in the term immediately prior or those reelected after a break in service must complete at least four hours of continuing education training as set by the districts' board policy.

Failure to comply with the orientation and training requirements may result in the forfeiture of his or her position on the board or other penalty as set by board policy of that district.

This bill is similar to HB 1430 (2016).