

Proponent Testimony of SB 13
For the Senate Education Committee

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I am writing to express my 100% support of SB13. I feel very comfortable that I am speaking for our entire Perry Lecompton community (especially our senior citizens) and faculty, as well.

USD 343, Perry Lecompton Schools use our own broadcast team to broadcast all of our football and many of our basketball games. We have a [USD 343 Youtube Media channel](#) and our feed is much better than anything KSHSAA has offered, with few connection issues. In fact, we even have instant replay. Our HS football team has competed in the state championship (twice) and our HS basketball team in the state basketball tournament (twice) in the past five years. During our four post-season events, our broadcast team was denied access to broadcasting our games to our community/fans. Many of our senior citizens were unable to travel to these championship events, and unfortunately, experienced connection issues or refused to pay the fee for the KSHSAA stream. Our feed is free.

Keep in mind, KSHSAA represents the schools that compete, not the other way around. Therefore, all schools should have the right to broadcast their own state championship game or tune into KSHSAA's broadcast, if they choose.

I fully support SB13 and trust it will be passed.

Respectfully,

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Thank you!

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