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**HB 7312 AN ACT ESTABLISHING A TASK FORCE TO STUDY ISSUES RELATING TO  
PARENTAL INVOLVEMENT WITH STUDENTS**

CABE supports HB 7312, An Act Establishing a Task Force to Study Issues Relating to Parental Involvement with Students. Positive engagement by parents and guardians with their students and their schools is a critical component of student success. CABE has a long-standing position urging all Connecticut school boards to develop parent/family/school involvement policy statements that recognize that a child's education is a responsibility shared by the school and family. Important components of such policies include:

- Establishing effective two-way communication with all parents
- Respecting the diversity and different needs of families
- Developing strategies and structures at schools which enable parents to participate actively in their children's education
- Providing support and coordination for school staff and parents to implement and sustain appropriate parental involvement from Pre-K through grade 12
- Utilizing schools to connect students and families with community resources to provide educational enrichment support

CABE urges you to support HB 7312.

Thank you for your attention to this issue.