

**REORGANIZATION OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION  
LOCAL SCHOOL DISTRICTS**

- WHEREAS, Section 162.301 (1) RSMo-School Districts, dictates that within seven (7) days after the annual election of school board members in each six director and seven director district, other than an urban district, the board shall meet and the newly elected members shall qualify by taking the oath of office prescribed by Article VII, Section II of the Constitution of Missouri; and
- WHEREAS, Newly elected school board members may not be informed or familiar with duties such as: school district budgets, employee contracts, negotiations, other decisions that must be made at the end of each fiscal year; and
- WHEREAS, A change of school board members at a crucial time in the school year could create problems for ongoing and new school board members; therefore be it
- RESOLVED, That the Missouri Congress of Parents and Teachers, its units and councils, urge the Missouri General Assembly to change Section 162.301 (1) (2) RSMo to allow outgoing school board members to retain their seats with voting privileges until the first school board meeting after the beginning of the next fiscal year; and at that first meeting the newly elected school board members be sworn in, seated and the school board reorganized.