My name is Denise Imoehl and I am a teacher from Postville CSD.  I am opposed to the collective bargaining bill because:

-        The bill completely removes educator voices – the ones closest to the classroom from the decisions being made. Negotiations are not just about wages, they are about decisions made that affect our students. This bill eliminates any discussion about those decisions.

-        Where are the cost saving measures in the bill and where does this give more local control to our communities? Educators and other employees have been stripped of control and local school boards are not allowed to discuss most topics with those in the classroom.

-        This bill will cause a ripple effect hitting our rural communities hardest. How will we attract and retain the best and brightest in our profession with no voice in their profession and no incentives to move to harder to fill areas?

Sincerely,

Denise T. Imoehl