

# State Board of Education Governance

**HB 1609: Allows State Board of Education members to choose their own chair from among existing members.**

## THIS BILL DOES NOT:

- X** Remove the Superintendent as head of the Indiana Department of Education
- X** Change the composition of, or remove the Superintendent from, the State Board of Education
- X** Make the Superintendent of Public Instruction an appointed office in Indiana
- X** Prevent the Superintendent of Public Instruction from being chosen as chair of the board
- X** Remove the requirement that no more than 6 members may be from the same political party

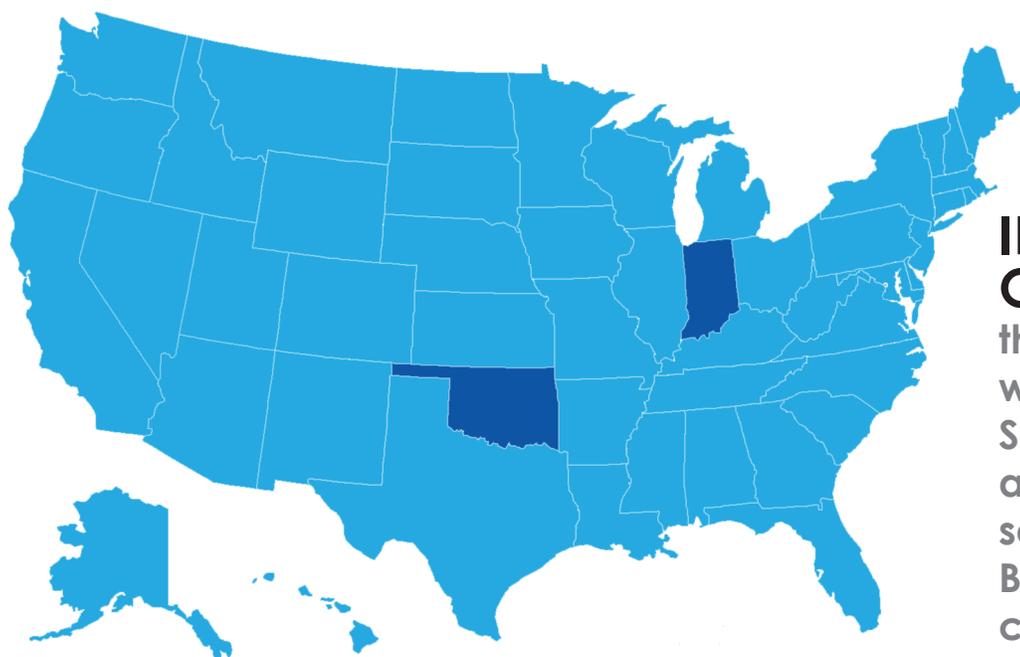
## STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION

The State Board of Education is made up of:

- State Superintendent of Public Instruction
- 10 members appointed by the Governor, including:
  - At least 4 members actively employed by an Indiana school and hold teaching license
  - At least one member from each of the nine Congressional districts in the state
  - Not more than 6 members from any one political party

## DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

The Department of Education is its own agency within state government and is headed by the elected Superintendent of Public Instruction.



**INDIANA + OKLAHOMA =**  
the only two states where the State Superintendent automatically serves as State Board of Education chair