## RELATIONSHIP OF THE SCHOOL BOARD TO STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT

The term "board of education" shall include by whatever name known the governing body charged with the general control, management and responsibility of the schools of a union free school district, central district, or a city school district. (Art. 1, Sec. 2, No. 14, New York State <u>Education Law</u>, 1957)

The responsibility for education has been placed in the hands of the state legislature. By custom, the state has permitted the development of provisions for education locally. As a result, the school board represents not only the people of the school district, but the people of the entire state in its relationship to the local school system. (New York State Constitution, Article XI, Sec. 1)

Because of the intimate relationship between matters of proper concern to other local government, there is necessity for close cooperation. The Board of Education should stand ready to give such cooperation wherever it will be helpful.

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