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Charter school bill

The senate voted learner this month to authorize the creation of charter schools. SB 1448, authored by Gary K. Hart (D-Santa Barbara), passed by a vote of 21 to 6. Charter schools would be initiated by a group of teachers who obtain charters to operate a school free from the existing, sometimes cumbersome, public school bureaucratic rules and structure, in exchange for living up to agreed procedures between the school and local or state education officials. SB 1448 now goes on to the Assembly.