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Superintendent

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March 30, 1992

Honorable Gary Hart  
Chair, Senate Education Committee  
State Capitol, Room 4074  
Sacramento, CA 95814

**RE: SB 1448 (Hart)  
Support**

Dear Chairman Hart:

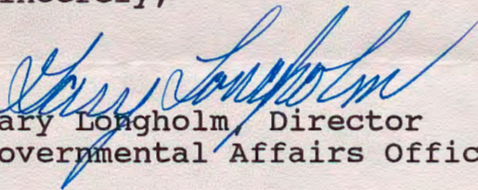
We have reviewed SB 1448 and are very supportive of the concept of charter schools. We look forward to working with you on this important legislation.

SB 1448 would authorize a school board, a county board of education or the State Board of Education to initially approve a charter public school for up to five years. The charter school concept allows teachers, parents, employees, or others within the public school system to establish and operate a charter school free from control of governance of any existing school district.

We believe this approach is appropriately balanced with accountability for students outcome.

Should you have any questions regarding our position on this bill, please contact me at (916) 657-2280.

Sincerely,

  
Gary Longholm, Director  
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cc: Members, Senate Education Committee