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The Honorable John Vasconcellos
Chairman, Assembly Ways and Means Committee
State Capitol, Room 6026
Sacramento, California 95814

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SUBJECT: Senate Bill 1448 (Hart)
POSITION: OPPOSE

Dear Assemblyman Vasconcellos:

This is to inform you that the California Teachers Association is opposed to SB 1448. This measure will be heard in the Assembly Ways and Means Committee on Wednesday, August 5.

CTA's concerns about this bill include:

--The creation of a class of public school employees who could be hired at sub-standard wages and benefits and without benefit of STRS coverage;

--A blanket exemption for charter schools of virtually all Education Code provisions and State Department rules and regulations. We feel that only those regulations and provisions of law which interfere with the program of a charter school should be waived through the formal waiver process;

--Ignoring the exclusive bargaining agent in the development of charter school proposals and in the process for approval of these proposals. CTA believes that failure to involve exclusive representatives formally in the process of reform would be counterproductive. It would breed mistrust and defensiveness.

More importantly, it is not necessary. There are examples throughout the nation of educational restructure which were created by the collective bargaining process. We believe that reforms created mutually by all parties of interest in such matters are the most effective.

WE URGE A NO VOTE ON SB 1448.

Sincerely,

Ernest F. Ciarrocchi
Legislative Advocate

✓ cc: Senator Gary Hart
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This letter has also been sent to each member of the Assembly Committee on Ways & Means.