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Sue,

Senator Lewis, as well as several members of the Assembly Republican Caucus, is concerned about Section 1 of Senator Hart's Senate Bill 1264. Specifically, Senator Lewis would like language added to this Section clarifying that changes to the proposed charter which are made by, or at the request of, the governing board of the school district or its representatives shall not necessitate a petition circulation.

Such a clarification is consistent with the intent of Senator Hart's bill and would eliminate confusion that might unduly delay the charter petitioning process.

Please let me know if Senator Hart would be amenable to such a change. Thanks!

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**FLOOR STATEMENT - SB 1264
CONCURRENCE IN ASSEMBLY AMENDMENTS**

The Assembly Amendments:

- 1) Deleted the provision which would have lifted the cap on charter schools
- 2) Clarify that the revenue limit provided to charter schools can be modified by the parent school district, if provided for the charter petition, to reflect (a) the grade level of instruction at the school or (b) services provided by the school districts to the school.
- 3) Require that a complete copy of the charter accompany the signature page of the charter petition and specify that if the charter is substantively changed, before going to the school board for final action, it must be recirculated for new teacher signatures.

ASK FOR CONCURRENCE IN ASSEMBLY AMENDMENTS

BILL STATEMENT
SB 1264 (HART) - August 12 version

SUMMARY

This bill makes various technical and substantive changes to the Charter Schools Act. **NOTE: No change to charter school cap is proposed in the bill.**

Specifically, the bill:

- 1) Adds language which clarifies that the revenue limit provided to charter schools can be modified by the parent school district, if provided for the charter petition, to reflect (a) the grade level of instruction at the school or (b) services provided by the school districts to the school. In addition, to this change, the bill makes the following changes to the funding provisions related to charter schools:
 - a) Specifies that, for apportionment purposes, a charter school shall be operative no sooner than July 1 following approval of the charter petition,
 - b) Authorizes charter schools to receive funds from summer school apportionments.
- 2) Adds language which requires that a complete copy of the charter accompany the signature page of the petition and specifies that if the charter is substantively changed, it must be recirculated for new signatures. (CTA's request)
- 3) Allows charter schools whose charters are **revoked** to appeal the revocation decision to the county superintendent of schools.
- 4) Clarifies, that in the case of **districtwide** charters, the State Board of Education, may grant one or more renewal of those charters for a period not to exceed five years.

There is no known opposition to the bill and the bill has not received any NO votes in the Assembly.

BILL STATEMENT
SB 1264 (HART)
As Amended: August 12, 1994

SUMMARY

This bill makes various technical and substantive changes to the Charter Schools Act. NOTE: No change to charter school cap is proposed in the bill.

Specifically, the bill:

- 1) Adds language which clarifies that the revenue limit provided to charter schools can be modified by the parent school district, if provided for the charter petition, to reflect (a) the grade level of instruction at the school or (b) services provided by the school districts to the school. In addition, to this change, the bill makes the following changes to the funding provisions related to charter schools:
 - a) Specifies that, for apportionment purposes, a charter school shall be operative no sooner than July 1 following approval of the charter petition,
 - b) Authorizes charter schools to receive funds from summer school apportionments.
- 2) Adds language which requires that a complete copy of the charter accompany the signature page of the petition and specifies that if the charter is substantively changed, it must be recirculated for new signatures. (CTA's request)
- 3) Allows charter schools whose charters are revoked to appeal the revocation decision to the county superintendent of schools.
- 4) Clarifies, that in the case of districtwide charters, the State Board of Education, may grant one or more renewal of those charters for a period not to exceed five years.

BILL STATEMENT
SB 1264 (HART)
As Amended: June 29, 1994

SUMMARY

This bill makes various technical and substantive changes to the Charter Schools Act.

CHANGES FROM LAST ASM. ED HEARING:

- 1) Deletes any change in 100 schools or 10 schools per district "cap. Current law is retained.
- 2) Adds language which clarifies that the revenue limit provided to charter schools can be modified, if provided for the charter petition, to reflect (a) the grade level of instruction at the school or (b) services provided by the school districts to the school.
- 3) Adds language which requires that a complete copy of the charter accompany the signature page of the petition. ADDITIONAL AUTHOR'S AMENDMENT NEEDED: Specify that if the charter is substantively changed, it must be recirculated for new signatures. (CTA's request)

WITH THESE CHANGES THE OPPOSITION TO THE BILL FROM CTA HAS BEEN REMOVED.

OTHER PROVISIONS OF THE BILL INCLUDE:

- 1) Allows charter schools whose charters are **revoked** to appeal the revocation decision to the county superintendent of schools.
- 2) Clarifies, that in the case of **districtwide** charters, the State Board of Education, may grant one or more renewal of those charters for a period not to exceed five years.
- 3) In addition, to the funding provision mentioned in the first section above, the bill makes the following changes to the funding provisions related to charter schools:
 - a) Specifies that, for apportionment purposes, a charter school shall be operative no sooner than July 1 following approval of the charter petition,
 - b) Authorizes charter schools to receive funds from summer school apportionments.

BILL STATEMENT
SB 1264 (HART)
As Amended: April 20, 1994

SUMMARY

This bill makes various technical and substantive changes to the Charter Schools Act.

BACKGROUND AND ANALYSIS

- 1) Current law, which was established by SB 1448 (Hart-1992), provides for establishment of charter schools or charter school districts. The bill specifies that no more than 100 charter schools can operate in the state, of which no more than 10 schools may operate in a single school district.

This bill repeals the charter school "cap",

- 2) Current law provides for an appeal process to the county superintendent of schools if local governing boards reject charter school petitions.

This bill allows charter schools whose charters are revoked to appeal the revocation decision to the county superintendent of schools.

- 3) Current law specifies that a charter may be granted for a period not to exceed five years. Current law further authorizes governing boards or the county superintendent of schools, as appropriate, to grant one or more renewals of the charter for a period not to exceed five years.

This bill clarifies, that in the case of districtwide charters, the State Board of Education, may grant one or more renewal of those charters for a period not to exceed five years.

- 4) Current law authorizes charter schools to receive general apportionment and specified categorical funding in an amount equal to funds received by the chartering school district.

This bill makes the following changes to the funding provisions related to charter schools:

- a) Specifies that, for apportionment purposes, a charter school shall be operative no sooner than July 1 following approval of the charter petition,
- b) Authorizes charter schools to receive funds from summer school apportionments,

AUTHOR'S AMENDMENTS NEEDED - Strike out all provisions related to lottery funding - charter schools already eligible - language unnecessary (specific language attached)

PROPOSED AUTHOR'S AMENDMENTS

SB 1264 (HART) - April 20 version

Eliminate provisions related to lottery funding for charter schools, because they are already eligible and language is unnecessary.

- 1) On page 6, strike out lines 19-23
- 2) On page 7, strike out lines 7-40, strike out page 8 and on page 9, strike out lines 1-12.

BILL STATEMENT
SB 1264 (HART)
As Amended: May 9, 1994

SUMMARY

This bill makes various technical and substantive changes to the Charter Schools Act.

BACKGROUND AND ANALYSIS

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- b) Authorizes charter schools to receive funds from summer school apportionments,

AUTHOR'S AMENDMENTS NEEDED - Add language to funding section to clarify that the revenue limit provided to charter schools can be modified, if provided for the charter petition, to reflect (a) the grade level of instruction at the school or (b) services provided by the school districts to the school. Leg Counsel language attached and the committee consultant has reviewed the language.