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TO: Sen. Roger Moe Rep. Dee Long
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FROM: Sen. Ember Reichgott *Ember*

RE: Harris Poll on Education Reform

I found the attached polling data from the national education magazine Agenda quite instructive. In this 1992 poll, there appears to be strong public support for education "reform" issues. Harris suggests that the state of schools will be a central issue in the 1992 elections.

I specifically point your attention to page 20 of the polling data where Democrats have a ten point lead in credibility as better able to improve the quality of education in America.

As you know, Minnesota has been at the national forefront with its past emphasis on choice and new focus on charter schools. It appears from these poll results that any attempt to temper or repeal reform efforts such as charter schools may not be viewed favorably by the public.

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Attachment

