

House _____ Amendment NO. _____

Offered By

1 AMEND House Committee Substitute for House Bill No. 581, Page 10, Section 160.405, Line 74,
2 by inserting after the word "education" the following:

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4 "or, if subject to the provisions of subdivision (3) of subsection 3 of this section, by the voters of the
5 district in which the charter school is to be located"; and

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7 Further amend said bill, page, and section, Line 94, by deleting said line and inserting in lieu thereof
8 the following:

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10 "of education shall notify the applicant in writing as to the reasons for its denial, if applicable.
11 Notwithstanding the above, if a charter application is submitted under this subdivision in school
12 year 2020-21 or any subsequent year that proposes operating a charter school in any district
13 described in subdivisions (3), (4), (5), (6), or (7) of subsection 2 of section 160.400, any decision by
14 the state board of education to grant such charter shall not become effective until approved by the
15 voters of the district in which the charter school is to be located as described in subdivision (3) of
16 subsection 3 of this section; and"; and

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18 Further amend said bill and section, Page 11, Lines 111-122, by deleting said lines and inserting in
19 lieu thereof the following:

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21 "3. (1) If a charter is approved by a sponsor, the charter application shall be submitted to
22 the state board of education, along with a statement of finding by the sponsor that the application
23 meets the requirements of sections 160.400 to 160.425 and section 167.349 and a monitoring plan
24 under which the charter sponsor shall evaluate the academic performance, including annual
25 performance reports, of students enrolled in the charter school.

26 (2) Except as otherwise provided in subdivision (3) of this subsection, the state board of
27 education shall approve or deny a charter application within sixty days of receipt of the application.
28 The state board of education may deny a charter on grounds that the application fails to meet the
29 requirements of sections 160.400 to 160.425 and section 167.349 or that a charter sponsor
30 previously failed to meet the statutory responsibilities of a charter sponsor. Any denial of a charter
31 application made by the state board of education shall be in writing and shall identify the specific
32 failures of the application to meet the requirements of sections 160.400 to 160.425 and section
33 167.349, and the written denial shall be provided within ten business days to the sponsor.

34 (3) (a) If a charter application is submitted to the state board of education in school year
35 2020-21 or any subsequent year that proposes operating a charter school in any district described in
36 subdivision (3), (4), (5), (6), or (7) of subsection 2 of section 160.400, the state board of education

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1 shall review the application and determine within sixty days of receipt whether the application
2 meets the requirements of sections 160.400 to 160.425 and section 167.349.

3 (b) If the application fails to meet the requirements of sections 160.400 to 160.425 and
4 section 167.349, the state board of education shall deny the charter in writing, identify the specific
5 failures of the application to meet the requirements of sections 160.400 to 160.425 and section
6 167.349 in the written denial, and provide the written denial within ten business days to the sponsor.

7 (c) If the application meets the requirements of sections 160.400 to 160.425 and section
8 167.349, the state board of education shall direct the board of directors of the school district in
9 which the charter school is proposed to be located to cause the question of charter approval to be
10 submitted to the voters of the district at the next municipal election or, if the next annual school
11 election is more than sixty days away, cause the question to be submitted to the voters in the district
12 at a special election called in accordance with law on a date set by the state board of education. The
13 election shall be conducted in the manner provided by law for the conducting of school district
14 elections generally. A majority affirmative vote for approval is required for approval of the charter
15 school application."; and

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17 Further amend said bill and section, Page 14, Line 207, by inserting after the word "time" the
18 following:

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20 "; except that, if a charter is subject to the provisions of subdivision (3) of subsection 3 of this
21 section, the state board of education shall approve or deny such alternative arrangements before the
22 question of charter approval is submitted to the voters"; and

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24 Further amend said bill, Page 19, Section 160.408, Line 27 by inserting after the word "operations"
25 the following:

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27 "; and

28 (4) If the charter application is filed with the state board of education in school year 2020-21
29 or any subsequent year and proposes replicating and expanding into an unaccredited district, the
30 charter application shall not be approved until the voters have approved it as described in
31 subdivision (3) of subsection 3 of section 160.405"; and

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33 Further amend said bill by amending the title, enacting clause, and intersectional references
34 accordingly.