

House _____ Amendment NO. _____

Offered By

1 AMEND House Committee Substitute for House Bill No. 581, Page 10, Section 160.405, Lines 74-
2 75, by deleting all of said lines and inserting in lieu thereof the following:

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4 "education and in any district described in subdivision (5), (6), or (7) of subsection 2 of section
5 160.400 by the voters of the local school district in which the charter school is to be located at the
6 next election available for such measures, by January thirty-first prior to the school year of the
7 proposed opening date of the charter school;"; and

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

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

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

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

28 (2) The state board of education shall approve or deny a charter application within sixty days
29 of receipt of the application. The state board of education may deny a charter on grounds that the
30 application fails to meet the requirements of sections 160.400 to 160.425 and section 167.349 or that
31 a charter sponsor previously failed to meet the statutory responsibilities of a charter sponsor. Any
32 denial of a charter application made by the state board of education shall be in writing and shall
33 identify the specific failures of the application to meet the requirements of sections 160.400 to
34 160.425 and section 167.349, and the written denial shall be provided within ten business days to
35 the sponsor.

36 (3) (a) If a charter application is submitted to the state board of education in school year

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1 2020-21 or any subsequent year that proposes operating a charter school in any district described in
 2 section 160.400, the state board of education shall review the application and determine within
 3 sixty days of receipt whether the application meets the requirements of sections 160.400 to 160.425
 4 and section 167.349.

5 (b) If the application fails to meet the requirements of sections 160.400 to 160.425 and
 6 section 167.349, the state board of education shall deny the charter in writing, identify the specific
 7 failures of the application to meet the requirements of sections 160.400 to 160.425 and section
 8 167.349 in the written denial, and provide the written denial within ten business days to the sponsor.

9 (c) If the application meets the requirements of sections 160.400 to 160.425 and section
 10 167.349, and is a charter described in subdivision (5), (6), or (7) of subsection 2 of section 160.400,
 11 the state board of education shall direct the board of directors of the school district in which the
 12 charter school is proposed to be located to cause the question of charter approval to be submitted to
 13 the voters of the district at the next municipal election or, if the next annual school election is more
 14 than sixty days from the date the application is received, cause the question to be submitted to the
 15 voters in the district at a special election called in accordance with law on a date set by the state
 16 board of education. The election shall be conducted in the manner provided by law for the
 17 conducting of school district elections generally. A majority affirmative vote for approval is
 18 required for approval of the charter school application."; and

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

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 23 " , provided that the state board of education shall approve or deny such alternative arrangements
 24 before the question of charter approval is submitted to the voters"; and

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

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 29 "; and

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

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