

Committee members:

I am writing you to express my support for SB 1552. The 3% cap is random and reduces options for parents and students seeking to meet the needs of their children not available in their local public school.

- Choice empowers parents and students to determine the best place for their student to learn and grow.
- Charter schools are smaller and more responsive to student needs.
- Teachers at charter schools are eligible for state retirement benefits.
- Teachers have more input and flexibility in a local charter school.
- Public schools have more stability in staffing with the accurate enrollment forecasting tools available.
- Historically, some of the best performing schools in transient or poor neighborhoods are charter schools.

Remove the cap. It's good for teachers, students and parents. Please vote YES on SB 1552.

Respectfully submitted,

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