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Committee: Senate Committee On Education
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As an employee of City View Charter School for the last 16 years I've experienced many challenges around growing our enrollment within our current facility. I've observed the educational system through multiple challenges and how our community rallied to provide instruction with limited resources during COVID. It's been an honor to be in the role of Executive Director and I'm extremely proud of the school, our students and heart of our community.

Over the last decade our committees have worked extensively to find a permanent home for our school. We've found an excellent location that is currently .5 miles outside of our sponsoring districts boundaries. With the current SB767 it would bar City View from operating outside of Hillsboro School District bounds, which accounts for 89% of our enrolled students. Our sponsor, Hillsboro School District is currently in process of adjusting attendance boundaries with new school facilities and there own expansion efforts due to increased population. Moving forward, the best course of action would be to amend the current SB to be equitable and allow some measurable latitude with shifting district boundaries to charter schools for being within a 5 mile radius of the sponsoring district. I implore you to make an amendment to the existing bill so that we can continue to build our dream into a reality and fulfill our communities growing needs.