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The government isn't meant to limit personal choice of it's citizens... It is meant to support our choices. There is NO reason to limit school choice unless there is an agenda to control. Charter schools have waitlists because parents aren't satisfied with the one size fits all approach that has become the public school system. We parents know & love our children & have the right to identify their needs & have them met where we see fit; whether that's public school, private school, charter school, homeschool or the like. Each child deserves an education that suits them & each parent holds the right to help choose that for their children. I ask that you not only deny this bill, I ask that you go a step further & introduce a bill that allow us to take our children/student's education tax dollars with them to whatever educational institution we see fit. Creating an a competitive educational system early on that is vast with many different models, methods & even focuses will help children, particularly neurodivergent children, have an opportunity to succeed & flourish vs being herded along with the masses with the likelihood of only moderately meeting their potential, or worse. We need to change the path that our governments have somehow taken on of deciding what box Americans should fit in & trying to force all of us into it. Innovation & success come from the freedom to explore & identify our strengths & weaknesses. Please stop trying to create "equity" by keeping people down & enclosed in these "safe" boxes. All people, skillsets, mindsets, etc are important. The garbage man is as important at the President. Our society needs the ditch diggers just as much, if not more, than we need the lawyers. Nobody should be made to feel inadequate because their grades aren't as high as another's or their physical abilities don't meet someone else's. The people that are meant to rise to the top of different sectors should have the opportunity to do so, while being taught how to love, care for & respect their fellow humans in such a way as they help them to rise to, & be respected for, their maximum potential as well. Limiting choice, all choice, is soul & society crushing. There is no point in working hard or being innovative if you're controlled in such a way as there's a ceiling above you, limiting your heights. Please help change the course of this current wave of "equity" & support parent's choices in education for their children so that each individual is able to have the opportunity to reach their own personal, maximum potential & help people learn to celebrate each other's successes. Thank you!