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Charter schools provide a crucial educational option for families. There is immense value in providing a diversity of school options. Charter Schools allow students to participate in a high quality, engaging, and alternative style school set up while remaining within the public school system. There are often higher levels of parent and community involvement within Charter Schools which lead to student and community growth. We know of many families on waiting lists for the few charter options available. Instead of limiting the scope of Charter schools that this bill proposes, there should be increased communication and opportunities brought forth for Charter Schools within the public school system. Please do not put further limitations on the already overburdened system. I oppose this bill.