

Omnibus Amendment to HB 2

Amendment #	Description
AM0045	Prohibits any member of a charter school governing authority from serving on a district school board and vice versa
AM0205	Permits high-performing charter schools to operate a preschool program and permits exemplary sponsors to authorize a new charter school to operate a preschool program. Dropout recovery charter schools are prohibited from operating a preschool program.
AM0206	Clarifications to RC 3314.03 (sponsor-school contracts) including details of blended learning model, accounting for outstanding loans, facilities used for instruction, internal financial controls, financial plans for new schools
AM0207	Names of charter governing authority members shall be posted on the school website; names and addresses of governing authority members shall be provided to sponsors and ODE
AM0208	Sponsor notification of nonrenewal to schools moved from February 1 to December 1
AM0209	School-operator contracts shall be posted on the ODE website
AM0210	Clarification to the requirement for all charter schools to employ or contract with an independent fiscal officer; permits governing authority to annually waive requirement by resolution with sponsor approval
AM0211	Permits a consolidation of charter schools into a single public benefit corporation so long as resulting school is sponsored by an exemplary sponsor
AM0212-1	Establishes incentives for exemplary sponsors including an extended contract
AM0213	Clarifies governing authority members' disclosure for vendors limited to the "past three years," permits a vendor of a school district or educational service center to serve on a charter school governing authority; requires sponsors to annually verify that there are no outstanding findings for recovery against any governing authority member
AM0214	Permits ODE to establish the format and deadlines for applications to the ODE Office of School Sponsorship; permits the state board to establish additional criteria necessary for approval for sponsorship by ODE; permits the Transformation Alliance to offer a recommendation regarding an application for a new charter school to be located within a municipal school district received by ODE's Office of Sponsorship
AM0215	Clarifies that only the performance of students in a conversion dropout recovery charter school residing in the district shall be included on the district report card
AM0216	Requires that a charter school sponsor, not a contracted agent, is responsible for communicating and meeting with the AOS regarding the condition of enrollment, financial records and audits of schools authorized by the sponsor

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AM0222	Requires all entities sponsoring charter schools to have a written agreement with ODE. (This includes “grandfathered” entities, school districts and educational service centers.) Agreements with ODE shall specify whether schools may be sponsored statewide or on a limited-territory basis. Permits sponsors rated as exemplary to have a contract with ODE not to exceed twelve years in length. Permits ODE to evaluate quality practices of exemplary-rated sponsors every third year. (Student performance and compliance will continue to be evaluated annually.) Adds a sponsor rating of poor which results in immediate revocation of sponsorship authority.
AM0229-1	Requires monthly financial and enrollment reports to be sent to school operator as well as sponsor and school’s governing authority.
AM0242	Clarifies that ODE shall approve financial plan of new charter schools and the plan shall stand as approved if ODE fails to make a decision within 14 days of submission
AM0243-1	Clarifies that expenditures by sponsors for oversight and technical assistance is in the aggregate
AM0270	The operator performance report shall be included in the annual charter school report required under 3314.015 (A)(4)
AM0284	Requires that a charter school governing authority retain independent counsel for purposes of negotiating the contract with their sponsor and operator
AM0299	Requires governing authority members, administrative and supervisory staff of charter schools to receive annual training regarding public records and open meetings