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CHAMBER ACTION

Senate

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1 Representative Garcia offered the following:

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3 **Amendment (with title amendment)**

4 Remove lines 204-395 and insert:

5 Section 2. Subsection (7), paragraphs (a) and (e) of  
6 subsection (10), and paragraph (b) of subsection (17) of section  
7 1002.33, Florida Statutes, are amended to read:

8 1002.33 Charter schools.—

9 (7) CHARTER.—The terms and conditions for the operation of  
10 a charter school, including a virtual charter school, shall be  
11 set forth by the sponsor and the applicant in a written  
12 contractual agreement, called a charter. The sponsor and the  
13 governing board of the charter school or virtual charter school

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14 shall use the standard charter contract or standard virtual  
15 charter contract, respectively, pursuant to subsection (21),  
16 which shall incorporate the approved application and any addenda  
17 approved with the application. Any term or condition of a  
18 proposed charter contract or proposed virtual charter contract  
19 that differs from the standard charter or virtual charter  
20 contract adopted by rule of the State Board of Education shall  
21 be presumed a limitation on charter school flexibility. The  
22 sponsor may not impose unreasonable rules or regulations that  
23 violate the intent of giving charter schools greater flexibility  
24 to meet educational goals. Limitations on student enrollment  
25 which are less than the documented facility capacity are  
26 unreasonable and may not be imposed. The charter shall be signed  
27 by the governing board of the charter school and the sponsor,  
28 following a public hearing to ensure community input.

29 (a) The charter shall address and criteria for approval of  
30 the charter shall be based on:

31 1. The school's mission, the types of students to be  
32 served, and, for a virtual charter school, the types of students  
33 the school intends to serve who reside outside of the sponsoring  
34 school district, and the ages and grades to be included.

35 2. The focus of the curriculum, the instructional methods  
36 to be used, any distinctive instructional techniques to be  
37 employed, and identification and acquisition of appropriate  
38 technologies needed to improve educational and administrative

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39 performance which include a means for promoting safe, ethical,  
40 and appropriate uses of technology which comply with legal and  
41 professional standards.

42 a. The charter shall ensure that reading is a primary  
43 focus of the curriculum and that resources are provided to  
44 identify and provide specialized instruction for students who  
45 are reading below grade level. The curriculum and instructional  
46 strategies for reading must be consistent with the Next  
47 Generation Sunshine State Standards and grounded in  
48 scientifically based reading research.

49 b. In order to provide students with access to diverse  
50 instructional delivery models, to facilitate the integration of  
51 technology within traditional classroom instruction, and to  
52 provide students with the skills they need to compete in the  
53 21st century economy, the Legislature encourages instructional  
54 methods for blended learning courses consisting of both  
55 traditional classroom and online instructional techniques.  
56 Charter schools may implement blended learning courses which  
57 combine traditional classroom instruction and virtual  
58 instruction. Students in a blended learning course must be full-  
59 time students of the charter school pursuant to s.  
60 1011.61(1)(a)1. Instructional personnel certified pursuant to s.  
61 1012.55 who provide virtual instruction for blended learning  
62 courses may be employees of the charter school or may be under  
63 contract to provide instructional services to charter school

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64 students. At a minimum, such instructional personnel must hold  
65 an active state or school district adjunct certification under  
66 s. 1012.57 for the subject area of the blended learning course.  
67 The funding and performance accountability requirements for  
68 blended learning courses are the same as those for traditional  
69 courses.

70 3. The current incoming baseline standard of student  
71 academic achievement, the outcomes to be achieved, and the  
72 method of measurement that will be used. The criteria listed in  
73 this subparagraph shall include a detailed description of:

74 a. How the baseline student academic achievement levels  
75 and prior rates of academic progress will be established.

76 b. How these baseline rates will be compared to rates of  
77 academic progress achieved by these same students while  
78 attending the charter school.

79 c. To the extent possible, how these rates of progress  
80 will be evaluated and compared with rates of progress of other  
81 closely comparable student populations.

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83 A district school board is required to provide academic student  
84 performance data to charter schools for each of their students  
85 coming from the district school system, as well as rates of  
86 academic progress of comparable student populations in the  
87 district school system.

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88 4. The methods used to identify the educational strengths  
89 and needs of students and how well educational goals and  
90 performance standards are met by students attending the charter  
91 school. The methods shall provide a means for the charter school  
92 to ensure accountability to its constituents by analyzing  
93 student performance data and by evaluating the effectiveness and  
94 efficiency of its major educational programs. Students in  
95 charter schools shall, at a minimum, participate in the  
96 statewide assessment program created under s. 1008.22.

97 5. In secondary charter schools, a method for determining  
98 that a student has satisfied the requirements for graduation in  
99 s. 1002.3105(5), s. 1003.4281, or s. 1003.4282.

100 6. A method for resolving conflicts between the governing  
101 board of the charter school and the sponsor.

102 7. The admissions procedures and dismissal procedures,  
103 including the school's code of student conduct. Admission or  
104 dismissal must not be based on a student's academic performance,  
105 except as authorized under subparagraph (10)(e)5.

106 8. The ways by which the school will achieve a  
107 racial/ethnic balance reflective of the community it serves or  
108 within the racial/ethnic range of other nearby public schools or  
109 school districts.

110 9. The financial and administrative management of the  
111 school, including a reasonable demonstration of the professional  
112 experience or competence of those individuals or organizations

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113 applying to operate the charter school or those hired or  
114 retained to perform such professional services and the  
115 description of clearly delineated responsibilities and the  
116 policies and practices needed to effectively manage the charter  
117 school. A description of internal audit procedures and  
118 establishment of controls to ensure that financial resources are  
119 properly managed must be included. Both public sector and  
120 private sector professional experience shall be equally valid in  
121 such a consideration.

122 10. The asset and liability projections required in the  
123 application which are incorporated into the charter and shall be  
124 compared with information provided in the annual report of the  
125 charter school.

126 11. A description of procedures that identify various  
127 risks and provide for a comprehensive approach to reduce the  
128 impact of losses; plans to ensure the safety and security of  
129 students and staff; plans to identify, minimize, and protect  
130 others from violent or disruptive student behavior; and the  
131 manner in which the school will be insured, including whether or  
132 not the school will be required to have liability insurance,  
133 and, if so, the terms and conditions thereof and the amounts of  
134 coverage.

135 12. The term of the charter which shall provide for  
136 cancellation of the charter if insufficient progress has been  
137 made in attaining the student achievement objectives of the

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138 charter and if it is not likely that such objectives can be  
139 achieved before expiration of the charter. The initial term of a  
140 charter shall be for 5 years, excluding 2 planning years. In  
141 order to facilitate access to long-term financial resources for  
142 charter school construction, charter schools that are operated  
143 by a municipality or other public entity as provided by law are  
144 eligible for up to a 15-year charter, subject to approval by the  
145 sponsor. A charter lab school is eligible for a charter for a  
146 term of up to 15 years. In addition, to facilitate access to  
147 long-term financial resources for charter school construction,  
148 charter schools that are operated by a private, not-for-profit,  
149 s. 501(c) (3) status corporation are eligible for up to a 15-year  
150 charter, subject to approval by the sponsor. Such long-term  
151 charters remain subject to annual review and may be terminated  
152 during the term of the charter, but only according to the  
153 provisions set forth in subsection (8).

154 13. The facilities to be used and their location. The  
155 sponsor may not require a charter school to have a certificate  
156 of occupancy or a temporary certificate of occupancy for such a  
157 facility earlier than 15 calendar days before the first day of  
158 school. A charter school is authorized to increase its student  
159 enrollment to more than the capacity identified in the charter,  
160 but student enrollment may not exceed the capacity of the  
161 facility at the time the enrollment increase will take effect.  
162 Facility capacity for purposes of expansion shall include any

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163 improvements to an existing facility or any new facility in  
164 which the students of the charter school will enroll. The  
165 sponsor may not require facility capacity documentation earlier  
166 than 15 calendar days before the first day of school. The  
167 sponsor may not impose a limitation to the charter school's  
168 student enrollment which is less than the facility capacity.

169 14. The qualifications to be required of the teachers and  
170 the potential strategies used to recruit, hire, train, and  
171 retain qualified staff to achieve best value.

172 15. The governance structure of the school, including the  
173 status of the charter school as a public or private employer as  
174 required in paragraph (12)(i).

175 16. A timetable for implementing the charter which  
176 addresses the implementation of each element thereof and the  
177 date by which the charter shall be awarded in order to meet this  
178 timetable.

179 17. In the case of an existing public school that is being  
180 converted to charter status, alternative arrangements for  
181 current students who choose not to attend the charter school and  
182 for current teachers who choose not to teach in the charter  
183 school after conversion in accordance with the existing  
184 collective bargaining agreement or district school board rule in  
185 the absence of a collective bargaining agreement. However,  
186 alternative arrangements shall not be required for current  
187 teachers who choose not to teach in a charter lab school, except

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188 as authorized by the employment policies of the state university  
189 which grants the charter to the lab school.

190 18. Full disclosure of the identity of all relatives  
191 employed by the charter school who are related to the charter  
192 school owner, president, chairperson of the governing board of  
193 directors, superintendent, governing board member, principal,  
194 assistant principal, or any other person employed by the charter  
195 school who has equivalent decisionmaking authority. For the  
196 purpose of this subparagraph, the term "relative" means father,  
197 mother, son, daughter, brother, sister, uncle, aunt, first  
198 cousin, nephew, niece, husband, wife, father-in-law, mother-in-  
199 law, son-in-law, daughter-in-law, brother-in-law, sister-in-law,  
200 stepfather, stepmother, stepson, stepdaughter, stepbrother,  
201 stepsister, half brother, or half sister.

202 19. Implementation of the activities authorized under s.  
203 1002.331 by the charter school when it satisfies the eligibility  
204 requirements for a high-performing charter school. A high-  
205 performing charter school shall notify its sponsor in writing by  
206 March 1 if it intends to increase enrollment or expand grade  
207 levels the following school year. The written notice shall  
208 specify the amount of the enrollment increase and the grade  
209 levels that will be added, as applicable.

210 (b) The sponsor has 30 days after approval of the  
211 application to provide an initial proposed charter contract to  
212 the charter school. The applicant and the sponsor have 40 days

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213 thereafter to negotiate and notice the charter contract for  
214 final approval by the sponsor unless both parties agree to an  
215 extension. The proposed charter contract shall be provided to  
216 the charter school at least 7 calendar days before the date of  
217 the meeting at which the charter is scheduled to be voted upon  
218 by the sponsor. The Department of Education shall provide  
219 mediation services for any dispute regarding this section  
220 subsequent to the approval of a charter application and for any  
221 dispute relating to the approved charter, except a dispute  
222 regarding a charter school application denial. If either the  
223 charter school or the sponsor indicates in writing that the  
224 party does not desire to settle any dispute arising under this  
225 section through mediation procedures offered by the Department  
226 of Education, a charter school may immediately appeal any formal  
227 or informal decision by the sponsor to an administrative law  
228 judge appointed by the Division of Administrative Hearings. If  
229 the Commissioner of Education determines that the dispute cannot  
230 be settled through mediation, the dispute may also be appealed  
231 to an administrative law judge appointed by the Division of  
232 Administrative Hearings. The administrative law judge has final  
233 order authority to rule on issues of equitable treatment of the  
234 charter school as a public school, whether proposed provisions  
235 of the charter violate the intended flexibility granted charter  
236 schools by statute, or any other matter regarding this section,  
237 except a dispute regarding charter school application denial, a

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238 charter termination, or a charter nonrenewal. The administrative  
239 law judge shall award the prevailing party reasonable attorney  
240 fees and costs incurred during the mediation process,  
241 administrative proceeding, and any appeals, to be paid by the  
242 party against whom the administrative law judge rules.

243 (c)1. A charter may be renewed provided that a program  
244 review demonstrates that the criteria in paragraph (a) have been  
245 successfully accomplished and that none of the grounds for  
246 nonrenewal established by paragraph (8)(a) have been expressly  
247 found. The charter of a charter school that meets these  
248 requirements and has received a school grade lower than a "B"  
249 pursuant to s. 1008.34 in the most recently graded school year  
250 must be renewed for no less than a 5-year term except as  
251 provided in paragraph (9)(n). In order to facilitate long-term  
252 financing for charter school construction, charter schools  
253 operating for a minimum of 3 years and demonstrating exemplary  
254 academic programming and fiscal management are eligible for a  
255 15-year charter renewal. Such long-term charter is subject to  
256 annual review and may be terminated during the term of the  
257 charter.

258 2. The 15-year charter renewal that may be granted  
259 pursuant to subparagraph 1. must be granted to a charter school  
260 that has received a school grade of "A" or "B" pursuant to s.  
261 1008.34 in the most recently graded school year and that is not  
262 in a state of financial emergency or deficit position as defined

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263 by this section. Such long-term charter is subject to annual  
264 review and may be terminated during the term of the charter  
265 pursuant to subsection (8).

266 (d) A charter may be modified during its term upon the  
267 recommendation of the sponsor or the charter school's governing  
268 board and the approval of both parties to the agreement. Changes  
269 to curriculum which are consistent with state standards are  
270 ~~shall be~~ deemed approved unless the sponsor and the Department  
271 of Education determine in writing that the curriculum is  
272 inconsistent with state standards. Modification during any term  
273 may include, but is not limited to, consolidation of multiple  
274 charters into a single charter if the charters are operated  
275 under the same governing board, regardless of the renewal cycle.  
276 A charter school may assign its charter to a high-performing  
277 charter school operating in the same district. A charter school  
278 that is not subject to a school improvement plan and that closes  
279 as part of a consolidation shall be reported by the sponsor as a  
280 consolidation. A request for consolidation of multiple charters  
281 must be approved or denied within 60 days after the submission  
282 of the request. If the request is denied, the sponsor shall  
283 notify the charter school's governing board of the denial and  
284 provide the specific reasons, in reasonable detail, for the  
285 denial of the request for consolidation within 10 days.

286 (e) A charter may be terminated by a charter school's  
287 governing board through voluntary closure. The decision to cease

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288 operations must be determined at a public meeting. The governing  
289 board shall notify the parents and sponsor of the public meeting  
290 in writing before the public meeting. The governing board must  
291 notify the sponsor, parents of enrolled students, and the  
292 department in writing within 24 hours after the public meeting  
293 of its determination. The notice shall state the charter  
294 school's intent to continue operations or the reason for the  
295 closure and acknowledge that the governing board agrees to  
296 follow the procedures for dissolution and reversion of public  
297 funds pursuant to paragraphs (8) (d)-(f) and (9) (o).

298 (f) A charter may include a provision requiring the  
299 charter school to be held responsible for all costs associated  
300 with, but not limited to, mediation, damages, and attorney fees  
301 incurred by the district in connection with complaints to the  
302 Office of Civil Rights or the Equal Employment Opportunity  
303 Commission.

304 (10) ELIGIBLE STUDENTS.—

305 (d) A charter school may give enrollment preference to the  
306 following student populations:

307 1. Students who are siblings of a student enrolled in the  
308 charter school.

309 2. Students who are the children of a member of the  
310 governing board of the charter school.

311 3. Students who are the children of an employee of the  
312 charter school.

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- 313 4. Students who are the children of:  
314 a. An employee of the business partner of a charter  
315 school-in-the-workplace established under paragraph (15) (b) or a  
316 resident of the municipality in which such charter school is  
317 located; or  
318 b. A resident or employee of a municipality that operates  
319 a charter school-in-a-municipality pursuant to paragraph (15) (c)  
320 or allows a charter school to use a school facility or portion  
321 of land provided by the municipality for the operation of the  
322 charter school.
- 323 5. Students who have successfully completed, during the  
324 previous year, a voluntary prekindergarten education program  
325 under ss. 1002.51-1002.79 provided by the charter school, the  
326 charter school's governing board, or a voluntary prekindergarten  
327 provider that has a written agreement with the governing board.
- 328 6. Students who are the children of an active duty member  
329 of any branch of the United States Armed Forces.
- 330 7. Students who attended or are assigned to failing  
331 schools pursuant to s. 1002.38(2).
- 332 8. Students who have successfully completed, during the  
333 previous year, a prekindergarten education program under ss.  
334 402.3025 provided by a high-performing charter school or a high-  
335 performing charter school system, or a prekindergarten education  
336 provider that has a written agreement with the high-performing  
337 charter school or high-performing charter school system.

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338 (e) A charter school may limit the enrollment process only  
339 to target the following student populations:

340 1. Students within specific age groups or grade levels.

341 2. Students considered at risk of dropping out of school  
342 or academic failure. Such students shall include exceptional  
343 education students.

344 3. Students enrolling in a charter school-in-the-workplace  
345 or charter school-in-a-municipality established pursuant to  
346 subsection (15).

347 4. Students residing within a reasonable distance of the  
348 charter school, as described in paragraph (20)(c). Such students  
349 shall be subject to a random lottery and to the racial/ethnic  
350 balance provisions described in subparagraph (7)(a)8. or any  
351 federal provisions that require a school to achieve a  
352 racial/ethnic balance reflective of the community it serves or  
353 within the racial/ethnic range of other nearby public schools.

354 5. Students who meet reasonable academic, artistic, or  
355 other eligibility standards established by the charter school  
356 and included in the charter school application and charter or,  
357 in the case of existing charter schools, standards that are  
358 consistent with the school's mission and purpose. Such standards  
359 shall be in accordance with current state law and practice in  
360 public schools and may not discriminate against otherwise  
361 qualified individuals.

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362 6. Students articulating from one charter school to  
363 another pursuant to an articulation agreement between the  
364 charter schools that has been approved by the sponsor.

365 7. Students living in a development, or students whose  
366 parent or legal guardian maintains physical or permanent  
367 employment within a development, in which a developer, including  
368 any affiliated business entity or charitable foundation,  
369 contributes to the formation, acquisition, construction, or  
370 operation of one or more charter schools or charter school  
371 facilities and related property in an amount equal to or having  
372 a total appraised value of at least \$5 million to be used as  
373 charter schools to mitigate the educational impact created by  
374 the development of new residential dwelling units. Students  
375 living in the development are entitled to 50 percent of the  
376 student stations in the charter schools. The students who are  
377 eligible for enrollment are subject to a random lottery, the  
378 racial/ethnic balance provisions, or any federal provisions, as  
379 described in subparagraph 4. The remainder of the student  
380 stations must be filled in accordance with subparagraph 4.

381 8. Students whose parent is employed within a reasonable  
382 distance of the charter school, as described in paragraph  
383 (20) (c).

384 (17) FUNDING.—Students enrolled in a charter school,  
385 regardless of the sponsorship, shall be funded as if they are in  
386 a basic program or a special program, the same as students

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387 enrolled in other public schools in a school district. Funding  
388 for a charter lab school shall be as provided in s. 1002.32.

389 (b)1. The basis for the agreement for funding students  
390 enrolled in a charter school shall be the sum of the school  
391 district's operating funds from the Florida Education Finance  
392 Program as provided in s. 1011.62 and the General Appropriations  
393 Act, including gross state and local funds, discretionary  
394 lottery funds, and funds from the school district's current  
395 operating discretionary millage levy; divided by total funded  
396 weighted full-time equivalent students in the school district;  
397 and multiplied by the weighted full-time equivalent students for  
398 the charter school. Charter schools whose students or programs  
399 meet the eligibility criteria in law are entitled to their  
400 proportionate share of categorical program funds included in the  
401 total funds available in the Florida Education Finance Program  
402 by the Legislature, including transportation, and the evidence-  
403 based reading allocation. Total funding for each charter school  
404 shall be recalculated during the year to reflect the revised  
405 calculations under the Florida Education Finance Program by the  
406 state and the actual weighted full-time equivalent students  
407 reported by the charter school during the full-time equivalent  
408 student survey periods designated by the Commissioner of  
409 Education. For charter schools operated by a not-for-profit or  
410 municipal entity, any unrestricted current and capital assets  
411 identified in the charter school's annual financial audit may be

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412 used for other charter schools operated by the not-for-profit or  
413 municipal entity within the school district. For charter schools  
414 operated by a not-for-profit or municipal entity, any  
415 unrestricted current and capital assets may be used for other  
416 charter schools operated by the not-for-profit or municipal  
417 entity and located outside of the originating charter school's  
418 school district, but within the state, through an unforgiveable  
419 loan which must be repaid to the originating charter school by  
420 the receiving charter school. Unrestricted current assets shall  
421 be used in accordance with s. 1011.62, and any unrestricted  
422 capital assets shall be used in accordance with s. 1013.62(2).

423 2.a. Students enrolled in a charter school sponsored by a  
424 state university or Florida College System institution pursuant  
425 to paragraph (5)(a) shall be funded as if they are in a basic  
426 program or a special program in the school district. The basis  
427 for funding these students is the sum of the total operating  
428 funds from the Florida Education Finance Program for the school  
429 district in which the school is located as provided in s.  
430 1011.62 and the General Appropriations Act, including gross  
431 state and local funds, discretionary lottery funds, and funds  
432 from each school district's current operating discretionary  
433 millage levy, divided by total funded weighted full-time  
434 equivalent students in the district, and multiplied by the full-  
435 time equivalent membership of the charter school. The Department  
436 of Education shall develop a tool that each state university or

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437 Florida College System institution sponsoring a charter school  
438 shall use for purposes of calculating the funding amount for  
439 each eligible charter school student. The total amount obtained  
440 from the calculation must be appropriated from state funds in  
441 the General Appropriations Act to the charter school.

442 b. Capital outlay funding for a charter school sponsored  
443 by a state university or Florida College System institution  
444 pursuant to paragraph (5) (a) is determined pursuant to s.  
445 1013.62 and the General Appropriations Act.

446 Section 3. Subsection (2) of section 1002.331, Florida  
447 Statutes, is amended to read:

448 1002.331 High-performing charter schools.—

449 (2) A high-performing charter school is authorized to:

450 (a) Increase its student enrollment once per school year  
451 to more than the capacity identified in the charter, but student  
452 enrollment may not exceed the capacity of the facility at the  
453 time the enrollment increase will take effect. Facility capacity  
454 for purposes of expansion must ~~shall~~ include any improvements to  
455 an existing facility or any new facility in which the students  
456 of the high-performing charter school will enroll.

457 (b) Expand grade levels within kindergarten through grade  
458 12 to add grade levels not already served if any annual  
459 enrollment increase resulting from grade level expansion is  
460 within the limit established in paragraph (a).

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461 (c) Submit a quarterly, rather than a monthly, financial  
462 statement to the sponsor pursuant to s. 1002.33(9)(g).

463 (d) Consolidate under a single charter the charters of  
464 multiple high-performing charter schools operated in the same  
465 school district by the charter schools' governing board  
466 regardless of the renewal cycle.

467 (e) Receive a modification of its charter to a term of 15  
468 years or a 15-year charter renewal. The charter may be modified  
469 or renewed for a shorter term at the option of the high-  
470 performing charter school. The charter must be consistent with  
471 s. 1002.33(7)(a)19. and (10)(h) and (i), is subject to annual  
472 review by the sponsor, and may be terminated during its term  
473 pursuant to s. 1002.33(8).

474 (f) Assume the charter of another operator within the same  
475 school district in which it operates.

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477 A high-performing charter school shall notify its sponsor in  
478 writing by March 1 if it intends to increase enrollment or  
479 expand grade levels the following school year. The written  
480 notice shall specify the amount of the enrollment increase and  
481 the grade levels that will be added, as applicable. If a charter  
482 school notifies the sponsor of its intent to expand, the sponsor  
483 shall modify the charter within 90 days to include the new  
484 enrollment maximum and may not make any other changes. The  
485 sponsor may deny a request to increase the enrollment of a high-

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486 performing charter school if the commissioner has declassified  
487 the charter school as high-performing. If a high-performing  
488 charter school requests to consolidate multiple charters or  
489 assume an existing charter, the sponsor has shall have 40 days  
490 after receipt of that request to provide an initial draft  
491 charter to the charter school. The sponsor and charter school  
492 ~~shall~~ have 50 days thereafter to negotiate and notice the  
493 charter contract for final approval by the sponsor.

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496 **T I T L E A M E N D M E N T**

497 Remove line 11 and insert:  
498 dismissal procedures for charter schools; revising  
499 provisions relating to student enrollment; authorizing  
500 a charter school to assign its charter to a high-  
501 performing charter school in the same district;  
502 authorizing the transfer of specified assets to  
503 certain charter schools within the state; providing  
504 requirements for such transfers; amending s. 1002.331,  
505 F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the  
506 act; amending s.

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