



**Substitute Senate Bill No. 648**

**Public Act No. 08-50**

**AN ACT CONCERNING STATE CHARTER SCHOOLS.**

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

Section 1. Section 10-220h of the 2008 supplement to the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2008*):

When a student enrolls in a school in a new school district or in a new state charter school, the new school district or new state charter school shall provide written notification of such enrollment to the school district in which the student previously attended school or the state charter school. The school district in which the student previously attended school or the state charter school that the student previously attended (1) shall transfer the student's education records to the new school district or new state charter school no later than ten days after receipt of such notification, and (2) if the student's parent or guardian did not give written authorization for the transfer of such records, shall send notification of the transfer to the parent or guardian at the same time that it transfers the records. In the case of a student who transfers from Unified School District #1, the new school district or new state charter school shall provide written notification of such enrollment to Unified School District #1 not later than ten days after the date of enrollment, the unified school district shall, not later than ten days

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after receipt of notification of enrollment from the new school district or new state charter school, transfer the records of the student to the new school district or new state charter school and the new school district or new state charter school shall, not later than thirty days after receiving the student's education records, credit the student for all instruction received in Unified School District #1.

Sec. 2. Section 10-66kk of the 2008 supplement to the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2008*):

(a) The governing council of each state charter school [, as defined in subdivision (3) of section 10-66aa,] shall post on any Internet web site that the council operates the (1) schedule, (2) agenda, and (3) minutes of each meeting, including any meeting of subcommittees of the governing council.

(b) The membership of the governing council of each state charter school shall meet the requirements concerning such membership set forth in the provisions of subdivision (3) of subsection (d) of section 10-66bb of the 2008 supplement to the general statutes at the time of application for a state charter and at all other times.

Sec. 3. Section 10-66aa of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2008*):

As used in sections 10-66aa to 10-66ff, inclusive, and [section] sections 10-66hh to 10-66kk, inclusive, as amended by this act:

(1) "Charter school" means a public, nonsectarian school which is (A) established under a charter granted pursuant to section 10-66bb of the 2008 supplement to the general statutes, (B) organized as a nonprofit entity under state law, (C) a public agency for purposes of the Freedom of Information Act, as defined in section 1-200, and (D) operated independently of any local or regional board of education in

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accordance with the terms of its charter and the provisions of sections 10-66aa to 10-66ff, inclusive, provided no member or employee of a governing council of a charter school shall have a personal or financial interest in the assets, real or personal, of the school;

(2) "Local charter school" means a public school or part of a public school that is converted into a charter school and is approved by the local or regional board of education of the school district in which it is located and by the State Board of Education pursuant to subsection (e) of section 10-66bb of the 2008 supplement to the general statutes; and

(3) "State charter school" means a new public school approved by the State Board of Education pursuant to subsection (f) of section 10-66bb of the 2008 supplement to the general statutes.

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