

SENATE FILE NO. SF0086

Charter schools funding-amendments.

Sponsored by: Senator(s) Massie and Representative(s) Wasserburger

A BILL

for

1 AN ACT relating to charter schools; imposing requirements
2 for charter school facilities; modifying charter school
3 funding provisions and requiring school district provision
4 of services as specified; and providing for an effective
5 date.

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7 *Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Wyoming:*

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9 **Section 1.** W.S. 21-3-308(c) and 21-3-314(c)(intro),
10 (i)(intro), by creating a new paragraph (ii), by
11 renumbering (ii) as (iii) and (d) are amended to read:

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13 **21-3-308. Hearing by local board; prohibited actions**
14 **by local board; criteria; compliance with state standards;**
15 **state board review; contractual authority.**

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1 (c) The district board shall require the applicant to
2 provide information regarding the proposed operation and
3 potential effects of the school, including but not limited
4 to the facilities to be utilized by the school, the
5 adequacy of facilities as defined by statewide standards
6 established under W.S. 21-15-115, the manner in which
7 administrative services of the school are to be provided
8 and a demonstration that the school is adequately insured
9 for liability, including errors and omissions coverage, and
10 that the school district is indemnified to the fullest
11 extent possible. As authorized under subsection (a) of this
12 section, the applicant may request the district board and
13 the board may approve the charter application subject to
14 specified conditions which provide the applicant sufficient
15 time to acquire necessary funding for securing or otherwise
16 finalizing arrangements for adequate facilities or
17 equipment necessary for the operation of the proposed
18 school. ~~In addition, The district board may upon request of~~
19 ~~the applicant and approval of the charter school~~
20 ~~application, make~~ shall for charter schools approved after
21 July 1, 2005, subject to approval by the school facilities
22 commission and to the extent district facilities are
23 available for use by the charter school, locate the charter
24 school in any district facility which is closed, not

1 operational and otherwise feasible for use as an
2 educational building as defined under W.S.
3 21-15-109(a)(ii). Facilities shall not be leased for
4 operation of a charter school approved after July 1, 2005,
5 unless adequate district facilities are not available for
6 this purpose.

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8 **21-3-314. Students counted amount district ADM;**
9 **determination of charter school funding.**

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11 (c) Subject to subsection (d) of this section and as
12 part of the charter school contract, the charter school and
13 the school district shall agree on funding and any services
14 to be provided by the school district to the charter
15 school. The charter school and the school district shall
16 begin discussions on the contract using the following
17 revenue assumptions:

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19 (i) The charter school shall be entitled to the
20 benefit of ninety-five percent (95%) of the foundation
21 program amount computed under the appropriate prototypical
22 school model level specified under W.S. ~~21-13-309(p)~~
23 ~~upon 21-13-309(m)(ii) for~~ the average daily membership of
24 the charter school, less:

1 (ii) Excluding adjustments provided under W.S.
2 21-13-309(n) (i), (ii), (ix) and (x), the charter school
3 shall to the extent the school qualifies for each separate
4 adjustment, be entitled to the benefit of ninety-five
5 percent (95%) of the adjustments to the prototypical amount
6 as prescribed under W.S. 21-13-309(n) and (o) based upon
7 the average daily membership, relevant student populations
8 and employees of the charter school as applicable to each
9 specific model adjustment;

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11 ~~(ii)~~ (iii) The charter school shall be entitled
12 to the benefit of one hundred percent (100%) of the amount
13 to be contributed to the school district under major
14 maintenance payments pursuant to W.S. 21-15-109 based upon
15 the proportion that the charter school educational building
16 gross square footage contributes to the district
17 educational building gross square footage.

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19 (d) The charter school may also contract with the
20 school district for centralized services provided by the
21 district including curriculum, media services, and
22 libraries. ~~and federally required educational services such~~
23 ~~as special education~~ The district shall provide
24 transportation of charter school children as provided under

1 W.S. 21-13-320(b)(i), (ii), special education programs and
2 services as defined under W.S. 21-13-321(a)(ii) and
3 isolation and maintenance as provided under W.S. 21-4-401
4 for the charter school at the expense of the district.

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6 **Section 2.** W.S. 21-3-314(e) is repealed.

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8 **Section 3.** This act is effective July 1, 2005.

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10 (END)