

A RESOLUTION CALLING FOR NORTH CAROLINA CHARTER SCHOOLS TO BE UNDER THE AUSPICES OF THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION

WHEREAS, charter Schools were created in North Carolina to develop new and innovative programs for education that would be later shared with all other public schools; and,

WHEREAS, and very few new and innovative programs have been shared with the public school system to improve student performance; and

WHEREAS, funding for charter schools creates a financial burden for local educational agencies (LEAs) who are mandated to provide an education for all students in their service area; and

WHEREAS, on average, charter schools have a greater failing performance than traditional public schools, now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, That the charter schools be subject to the Department of Public Instruction oversight and be subject to the same regulations as public schools, including having a Board of Education with representatives elected in proportion to their funding from the LEA's the charter serves. Board members shall be elected at the same time as the LEA's board members are elected.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that any charter school (including any virtual charter school) whose performance lags significantly behind the state average shall be orderly closed and its students returned to their local educational agencies along with their associated funding.