

MESSAGE TO SEND TO LEGISLATORS ABOUT HB24-1363

SUBJECT: The TRUTH About HB24-1363, Charter Schools Accountability

Perhaps you have been receiving messages with dire concerns expressed about HB24-1363, Charter Schools Accountability. These are misleading. The purpose of the bill is to update accountability for charter schools. The bill will ensure that students are served well and will protect the use of taxpayer dollars.

The original charter school law was passed in Colorado over 30 years ago. Over that time, much has changed. It is time for some adjustments to be made so that there is adequate accountability, transparency, and equity regarding charter schools' funding, governance, and staffing.

The bill seeks to ensure that locally elected school boards have the authority to manage the schools in their district. This is especially important in the current environment of declining enrollment and the decade-long underfunding of public schools through the Budget Stabilization Factor.

*See the attached document for detailed explanations about the provisions of the bill.*