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To Whom It May Concern:

As a teacher in the Providence Public School Department, I support S2787 because charter schools syphon money from public schools creating an injustice to urban public schools.

WE know what happens when 39 MILLION dollars a year is sent to big box charters, because we love that day in and day out every day in school. The district likes to blame the financial situation on wages, but ignores that they are literally giving away our budgets for our schools to places like Achievement First and Excel Academy. We cannot continue to lose more money in a district that serves the most vulnerable population because charter schools make it difficult for them to attend their schools.

Sincerely,  
Tara Finlay