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Dear Chairwoman Gallo and the Esteemed Members of the Senate Committee on Education,

I strongly oppose any expansion of charter schools in our district and fully support S2787. Our public schools cannot continue to lose funding and resources to charter schools without serious consequences for our students.

As a teacher in the Providence Public School Department for over 30 years, I have seen firsthand the financial impact charters have had on my students. We face cuts to essential supplies and teaching positions and are continually being asked to do more with less. Every year, \$39 million is sent to big box charters like Achievement First and Excel Academy. The district often blames wages for budget issues, yet continues to give away our school funding to these charters.

I urge you to support S2787 so we can invest in our public schools rather than diverting scarce resources to expand charter schools. Our students deserve properly funded classrooms and enough teachers to meet their needs.

Sincerely,

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