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103RD GENERAL ASSEMBLY

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AN ACT

To repeal sections 160.400 and 160.415, RSMo, and to enact in lieu thereof two new sections relating to charter schools.

Be i	t enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Missouri, as follows:
	Section A. Sections 160.400 and 160.415, RSMo, are
2	repealed and two new sections enacted in lieu thereof, to be
3	known as sections 160.400 and 160.415, to read as follows:
	160.400. 1. A charter school is an independent public
2	school.
3	2. Except as further provided in subsection 4 of this
4	section, charter schools may be operated only:
5	(1) In a metropolitan school district;
6	(2) In an urban school district containing most or all
7	of a city with a population greater than three hundred fifty
8	thousand inhabitants;
9	(3) In a school district that has been classified as
10	unaccredited by the state board of education;
11	(4) In a school district that has been classified as
12	provisionally accredited by the state board of education and
13	has received scores on its annual performance report
14	consistent with a classification of provisionally accredited
15	or unaccredited for three consecutive school years beginning
16	with the 2012-13 accreditation year under the following
17	conditions:

EXPLANATION-Matter enclosed in bold-faced brackets [thus] in this bill is not enacted and is intended to be omitted in the law.

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18 The eligibility for charter schools of any school (a) district whose provisional accreditation is based in whole 19 20 or in part on financial stress as defined in sections 161.520 to 161.529, or on financial hardship as defined by 21 rule of the state board of education, shall be decided by a 22 vote of the state board of education during the third 23 24 consecutive school year after the designation of provisional 25 accreditation; and

(b) The sponsor is limited to the local school board
or a sponsor who has met the standards of accountability and
performance as determined by the department based on
sections 160.400 to 160.425 and section 167.349 and properly
promulgated rules of the department; or

(5) [In a school district located within a county with
more than one hundred fifty thousand but fewer than two
hundred thousand inhabitants, provided that the provisions
of subsections 15 to 18 of section 160.415 shall not apply
to any charter school operated in such county; or

36 (6)] In a school district that has been accredited without provisions, sponsored only by the local school 37 board; provided that no board with a current year enrollment 38 of one thousand five hundred fifty students or greater shall 39 permit more than thirty-five percent of its student 40 enrollment to enroll in charter schools sponsored by the 41 local board under the authority of this subdivision, except 42 43 that this restriction shall not apply to any school district 44 that subsequently becomes eligible under subdivision (3) or 45 (4) of this subsection or to any district accredited without 46 provisions that sponsors charter schools prior to having a current year student enrollment of one thousand five hundred 47 48 fifty students or greater.

49 3. Except as further provided in subsection 4 of this
50 section, the following entities are eligible to sponsor
51 charter schools:

The school board of the district in any district 52 (1)which is sponsoring a charter school as of August 27, 2012, 53 as permitted under subdivision (1) or (2) of subsection 2 of 54 this section, the special administrative board of a 55 56 metropolitan school district during any time in which powers granted to the district's board of education are vested in a 57 58 special administrative board, or if the state board of education appoints a special administrative board to retain 59 the authority granted to the board of education of an urban 60 61 school district containing most or all of a city with a population greater than three hundred fifty thousand 62 inhabitants, the special administrative board of such school 63 district; 64

65 (2) A public four-year college or university with an
66 approved teacher education program that meets regional or
67 national standards of accreditation;

68 (3) A community college, the service area of which69 encompasses some portion of the district;

70 (4) Any private four-year college or university with 71 an enrollment of at least one thousand students, with its 72 primary campus in Missouri, and with an approved teacher 73 preparation program;

(5) Any two-year private vocational or technical
school designated as a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization
under the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, and
accredited by the Higher Learning Commission, with its
primary campus in Missouri;

79 (6) The Missouri charter public school commission80 created in section 160.425.

81 4. Changes in a school district's accreditation status
82 that affect charter schools shall be addressed as follows,
83 except for the districts described in subdivisions (1) and
84 (2) of subsection 2 of this section:

85 (1) As a district transitions from unaccredited to
86 provisionally accredited, the district shall continue to
87 fall under the requirements for an unaccredited district
88 until it achieves three consecutive full school years of
89 provisional accreditation;

90 (2) As a district transitions from provisionally 91 accredited to full accreditation, the district shall 92 continue to fall under the requirements for a provisionally 93 accredited district until it achieves three consecutive full 94 school years of full accreditation;

95 In any school district classified as unaccredited (3)96 or provisionally accredited where a charter school is 97 operating and is sponsored by an entity other than the local school board, when the school district becomes classified as 98 99 accredited without provisions, a charter school may continue 100 to be sponsored by the entity sponsoring it prior to the 101 classification of accredited without provisions and shall 102 not be limited to the local school board as a sponsor.

A charter school operating in a school district identified 103 in subdivision (1)[, (2), or (5)] or (2) of subsection 2 of 104 this section may be sponsored by any of the entities 105 106 identified in subsection 3 of this section, irrespective of 107 the accreditation classification of the district in which it 108 is located. A charter school in a district described in this subsection whose charter provides for the addition of 109 grade levels in subsequent years may continue to add levels 110 111 until the planned expansion is complete to the extent of

112 grade levels in comparable schools of the district in which 113 the charter school is operated.

114 5. The mayor of a city not within a county may request a sponsor under subdivision (2), (3), (4), (5), or (6) of 115 subsection 3 of this section to consider sponsoring a 116 117 "workplace charter school", which is defined for purposes of sections 160.400 to 160.425 as a charter school with the 118 119 ability to target prospective students whose parent or 120 parents are employed in a business district, as defined in 121 the charter, which is located in the city.

6. No sponsor shall receive from an applicant for a charter school any fee of any type for the consideration of a charter, nor may a sponsor condition its consideration of a charter on the promise of future payment of any kind.

126 7. The charter school shall be organized as a Missouri
127 nonprofit corporation incorporated pursuant to chapter 355.
128 The charter provided for herein shall constitute a contract
129 between the sponsor and the charter school.

8. As a nonprofit corporation incorporated pursuant to
chapter 355, the charter school shall select the method for
election of officers pursuant to section 355.326 based on
the class of corporation selected. Meetings of the
governing board of the charter school shall be subject to
the provisions of sections 610.010 to 610.030.

9. A sponsor of a charter school, its agents and
employees are not liable for any acts or omissions of a
charter school that it sponsors, including acts or omissions
relating to the charter submitted by the charter school, the
operation of the charter school and the performance of the
charter school.

142 10. A charter school may affiliate with a four-year143 college or university, including a private college or

144 university, or a community college as otherwise specified in 145 subsection 3 of this section when its charter is granted by 146 a sponsor other than such college, university or community college. Affiliation status recognizes a relationship 147 between the charter school and the college or university for 148 149 purposes of teacher training and staff development, curriculum and assessment development, use of physical 150 151 facilities owned by or rented on behalf of the college or university, and other similar purposes. A university, 152 153 college or community college may not charge or accept a fee for affiliation status. 154

The expenses associated with sponsorship of 155 11. 156 charter schools shall be defrayed by the department of 157 elementary and secondary education retaining one and five-158 tenths percent of the amount of state and local funding 159 allocated to the charter school under section 160.415, not 160 to exceed one hundred twenty-five thousand dollars, adjusted for inflation. The department of elementary and secondary 161 education shall remit the retained funds for each charter 162 school to the school's sponsor, provided the sponsor remains 163 in good standing by fulfilling its sponsorship obligations 164 under sections 160.400 to 160.425 and 167.349 with regard to 165 each charter school it sponsors, including appropriate 166 167 demonstration of the following:

168 (1) Expends no less than ninety percent of its charter
169 school sponsorship funds in support of its charter school
170 sponsorship program, or as a direct investment in the
171 sponsored schools;

172 (2) Maintains a comprehensive application process that
173 follows fair procedures and rigorous criteria and grants
174 charters only to those developers who demonstrate strong

175 capacity for establishing and operating a quality charter 176 school;

177 (3) Negotiates contracts with charter schools that
178 clearly articulate the rights and responsibilities of each
179 party regarding school autonomy, expected outcomes, measures
180 for evaluating success or failure, performance consequences
181 based on the annual performance report, and other material
182 terms;

(4) Conducts contract oversight that evaluates performance, monitors compliance, informs intervention and renewal decisions, and ensures autonomy provided under applicable law; and

187 (5) Designs and implements a transparent and rigorous
188 process that uses comprehensive data to make merit-based
189 renewal decisions.

190 12. Sponsors receiving funds under subsection 11 of 191 this section shall be required to submit annual reports to 192 the joint committee on education demonstrating they are in 193 compliance with subsection 17 of this section.

194 13. No university, college or community college shall 195 grant a charter to a nonprofit corporation if an employee of 196 the university, college or community college is a member of 197 the corporation's board of directors.

198 14. No sponsor shall grant a charter under sections 199 160.400 to 160.425 and 167.349 without ensuring that a 200 criminal background check and family care safety registry check are conducted for all members of the governing board 201 202 of the charter schools or the incorporators of the charter school if initial directors are not named in the articles of 203 incorporation, nor shall a sponsor renew a charter without 204 205 ensuring a criminal background check and family care safety

206 registry check are conducted for each member of the 207 governing board of the charter school.

208 15. No member of the governing board of a charter school shall hold any office or employment from the board or 209 210 the charter school while serving as a member, nor shall the 211 member have any substantial interest, as defined in section 212 105.450, in any entity employed by or contracting with the 213 board. No board member shall be an employee of a company 214 that provides substantial services to the charter school. 215 All members of the governing board of the charter school 216 shall be considered decision-making public servants as defined in section 105.450 for the purposes of the financial 217 disclosure requirements contained in sections 105.483, 218 219 105.485, 105.487, and 105.489.

220 16. A sponsor shall develop the policies and 221 procedures for:

222 (1)The review of a charter school proposal including an application that provides sufficient information for 223 224 rigorous evaluation of the proposed charter and provides clear documentation that the education program and academic 225 program are aligned with the state standards and grade-level 226 227 expectations, and provides clear documentation of effective governance and management structures, and a sustainable 228 229 operational plan;

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(2) The granting of a charter;

(3) The performance contract that the sponsor will use
to evaluate the performance of charter schools. Charter
schools shall meet current state academic performance
standards as well as other standards agreed upon by the
sponsor and the charter school in the performance contract;

(4) The sponsor's intervention, renewal, andrevocation policies, including the conditions under which

the charter sponsor may intervene in the operation of the charter school, along with actions and consequences that may ensue, and the conditions for renewal of the charter at the end of the term, consistent with subsections 8 and 9 of section 160.405;

243 (5) Additional criteria that the sponsor will use for244 ongoing oversight of the charter; and

(6) Procedures to be implemented if a charter school
should close, consistent with the provisions of subdivision
(15) of subsection 1 of section 160.405.

248 The department shall provide guidance to sponsors in 249 developing such policies and procedures.

250 17. (1) A sponsor shall provide timely submission to 251 the state board of education of all data necessary to 252 demonstrate that the sponsor is in material compliance with 253 all requirements of sections 160.400 to 160.425 and section 254 167.349. The state board of education shall ensure each 255 sponsor is in compliance with all requirements under 256 sections 160.400 to 160.425 and 167.349 for each charter school sponsored by any sponsor. The state board shall 257 258 notify each sponsor of the standards for sponsorship of 259 charter schools, delineating both what is mandated by 260 statute and what best practices dictate. The state board 261 shall evaluate sponsors to determine compliance with these standards every three years. The evaluation shall include a 262 263 sponsor's policies and procedures in the areas of charter application approval; required charter agreement terms and 264 content; sponsor performance evaluation and compliance 265 monitoring; and charter renewal, intervention, and 266 revocation decisions. Nothing shall preclude the department 267 from undertaking an evaluation at any time for cause. 268

269 (2)If the department determines that a sponsor is in 270 material noncompliance with its sponsorship duties, the 271 sponsor shall be notified and given reasonable time for 272 remediation. If remediation does not address the compliance 273 issues identified by the department, the commissioner of 274 education shall conduct a public hearing and thereafter provide notice to the charter sponsor of corrective action 275 276 that will be recommended to the state board of education. 277 Corrective action by the department may include withholding 278 the sponsor's funding and suspending the sponsor's authority 279 to sponsor a school that it currently sponsors or to sponsor 280 any additional school until the sponsor is reauthorized by the state board of education under section 160.403. 281

282 The charter sponsor may, within thirty days of (3) 283 receipt of the notice of the commissioner's recommendation, 284 provide a written statement and other documentation to show 285 cause as to why that action should not be taken. Final determination of corrective action shall be determined by 286 287 the state board of education based upon a review of the documentation submitted to the department and the charter 288 289 sponsor.

(4) If the state board removes the authority to
sponsor a currently operating charter school under any
provision of law, the Missouri charter public school
commission shall become the sponsor of the school.

18. If a sponsor notifies a charter school of closure under subsection 8 of section 160.405, the department of elementary and secondary education shall exercise its financial withholding authority under subsection 12 of section 160.415 to assure all obligations of the charter school shall be met. The state, charter sponsor, or

300 resident district shall not be liable for any outstanding 301 liability or obligations of the charter school.

160.415. 1. For the purposes of calculation and 2 distribution of state school aid under section 163.031, 3 pupils enrolled in a charter school shall be included in the 4 pupil enrollment of the school district within which each pupil resides. Each charter school shall report the 5 6 eligibility for free and reduced price lunch, special 7 education, or limited English proficiency status, as well as 8 eligibility for categorical aid, of pupils resident in a school district who are enrolled in the charter school to 9 the school district in which those pupils reside. 10 The 11 charter school shall report the average daily attendance data, free and reduced price lunch count, special education 12 pupil count, and limited English proficiency pupil count to 13 the state department of elementary and secondary education. 14 Each charter school shall promptly notify the state 15 department of elementary and secondary education and the 16 17 pupil's school district when a pupil discontinues enrollment at a charter school. 18

19 2. Except as provided in subsections 3 and 4 of this
20 section, the aid payments for charter schools shall be as
21 described in this subsection.

22 (1) A school district having one or more resident pupils attending a charter school shall pay to the charter 23 24 school an annual amount equal to the product of the charter 25 school's weighted average daily attendance and the state adequacy target, multiplied by the dollar value modifier for 26 27 the district, plus local tax revenues per weighted average daily attendance from the incidental and teachers' funds in 28 excess of the performance levy as defined in section 163.011 29 plus all other state aid attributable to such pupils. 30

31 (2) The district of residence of a pupil attending a
32 charter school shall also pay to the charter school any
33 other federal or state aid that the district receives on
34 account of such pupil.

35 (3) If the department overpays or underpays the amount 36 due to the charter school, such overpayment or underpayment 37 shall be repaid by the charter school or credited to the 38 charter school in twelve equal payments in the next fiscal 39 year.

40 (4) The amounts provided pursuant to this subsection41 shall be prorated for partial year enrollment for a pupil.

42 (5) A school district shall pay the amounts due
43 pursuant to this subsection as the disbursal agent and no
44 later than twenty days following the receipt of any such
45 funds. The department of elementary and secondary education
46 shall pay the amounts due when it acts as the disbursal
47 agent within five days of the required due date.

A workplace charter school shall receive payment
for each eligible pupil as provided under subsection 2 of
this section, except that if the pupil is not a resident of
the district and is participating in a voluntary
interdistrict transfer program, the payment for such pupils
shall be the same as provided under section 162.1060.

54 4. A charter school that has declared itself as a local educational agency shall receive from the department 55 56 of elementary and secondary education an annual amount equal 57 to the product of the charter school's weighted average 58 daily attendance and the state adequacy target, multiplied by the dollar value modifier for the district, plus local 59 tax revenues per weighted average daily attendance from the 60 incidental and teachers funds in excess of the performance 61 levy as defined in section 163.011 plus all other state aid 62

63 attributable to such pupils. If a charter school declares 64 itself as a local educational agency, the department of 65 elementary and secondary education shall, upon notice of the 66 declaration, reduce the payment made to the school district 67 by the amount specified in this subsection and pay directly 68 to the charter school the annual amount reduced from the 69 school district's payment.

70 5. If a school district fails to make timely payments 71 of any amount for which it is the disbursal agent, the state 72 department of elementary and secondary education shall authorize payment to the charter school of the amount due 73 pursuant to subsection 2 of this section and shall deduct 74 75 the same amount from the next state school aid apportionment to the owing school district. If a charter school is paid 76 77 more or less than the amounts due pursuant to this section, 78 the amount of overpayment or underpayment shall be adjusted 79 equally in the next twelve payments by the school district 80 or the department of elementary and secondary education, as 81 appropriate. Any dispute between the school district and a charter school as to the amount owing to the charter school 82 shall be resolved by the department of elementary and 83 secondary education, and the department's decision shall be 84 the final administrative action for the purposes of review 85 pursuant to chapter 536. During the period of dispute, the 86 87 department of elementary and secondary education shall make 88 every administrative and statutory effort to allow the continued education of students in their current charter 89 90 school setting.

91 6. The charter school and a local school board may
92 agree by contract for services to be provided by the school
93 district to the charter school. The charter school may
94 contract with any other entity for services. Such services

95 may include but are not limited to food service, custodial 96 service, maintenance, management assistance, curriculum 97 assistance, media services and libraries and shall be 98 subject to negotiation between the charter school and the 99 local school board or other entity. Documented actual costs 100 of such services shall be paid for by the charter school.

101 7. In the case of a proposed charter school that 102 intends to contract with an education service provider for 103 substantial educational services or management services, the 104 request for proposals shall additionally require the charter 105 school applicant to:

106 (1) Provide evidence of the education service
107 provider's success in serving student populations similar to
108 the targeted population, including demonstrated academic
109 achievement as well as successful management of nonacademic
110 school functions, if applicable;

111 Provide a term sheet setting forth the proposed (2)duration of the service contract; roles and responsibilities 112 113 of the governing board, the school staff, and the service provider; scope of services and resources to be provided by 114 the service provider; performance evaluation measures and 115 time lines; compensation structure, including clear 116 identification of all fees to be paid to the service 117 118 provider; methods of contract oversight and enforcement; 119 investment disclosure; and conditions for renewal and 120 termination of the contract;

121 (3) Disclose any known conflicts of interest between
122 the school governing board and proposed service provider or
123 any affiliated business entities;

124 (4) Disclose and explain any termination or nonrenewal
125 of contracts for equivalent services for any other charter
126 school in the United States within the past five years;

127 (5) Ensure that the legal counsel for the charter
128 school shall report directly to the charter school's
129 governing board; and

(6) Provide a process to ensure that the expenditures
that the education service provider intends to bill to the
charter school shall receive prior approval of the governing
board or its designee.

8. A charter school may enter into contracts with
community partnerships and state agencies acting in
collaboration with such partnerships that provide services
to students and their families linked to the school.

9. A charter school shall be eligible for
transportation state aid pursuant to section 163.161 and
shall be free to contract with the local district, or any
other entity, for the provision of transportation to the
students of the charter school.

143 10. (1) The proportionate share of state and federal resources generated by students with disabilities or staff 144 145 serving them shall be paid in full to charter schools enrolling those students by their school district where such 146 enrollment is through a contract for services described in 147 The proportionate share of money generated 148 this section. under other federal or state categorical aid programs shall 149 150 be directed to charter schools serving such students 151 eligible for that aid.

(2) A charter school shall provide the special
services provided pursuant to section 162.705 and may
provide the special services pursuant to a contract with a
school district or any provider of such services.

156 11. A charter school shall not charge tuition or 157 impose fees that a school district is prohibited from 158 charging or imposing, except that a charter school may

159 receive tuition payments from districts in the same or an 160 adjoining county for nonresident students who transfer to an 161 approved charter school, as defined in section 167.895, from 162 an unaccredited district.

12. A charter school is authorized to incur debt in 163 164 anticipation of receipt of funds. A charter school may also borrow to finance facilities and other capital items. 165 Α 166 school district may incur bonded indebtedness or take other measures to provide for physical facilities and other 167 168 capital items for charter schools that it sponsors or contracts with. Except as otherwise specifically provided 169 170 in sections 160.400 to 160.425, upon the dissolution of a charter school, any liabilities of the corporation will be 171 172 satisfied through the procedures of chapter 355. A charter 173 school shall satisfy all its financial obligations within twelve months of notice from the sponsor of the charter 174 175 school's closure under subsection 8 of section 160.405. After satisfaction of all its financial obligations, a 176 177 charter school shall return any remaining state and federal funds to the department of elementary and secondary 178 179 education for disposition as stated in subdivision (17) of subsection 1 of section 160.405. The department of 180 elementary and secondary education may withhold funding at a 181 182 level the department determines to be adequate during a 183 school's last year of operation until the department determines that school records, liabilities, and reporting 184 requirements, including a full audit, are satisfied. 185

186 13. Charter schools shall not have the power to187 acquire property by eminent domain.

188 14. The governing board of a charter school is
189 authorized to accept grants, gifts or donations of any kind
190 and to expend or use such grants, gifts or donations. A

191 grant, gift or donation shall not be accepted by the 192 governing board if it is subject to any condition contrary 193 to law applicable to the charter school or other public 194 schools, or contrary to the terms of the charter.

195 15. In addition to any state aid remitted to charter 196 schools under this section, the department of elementary and 197 secondary education shall remit to any charter school an 198 amount equal to the weighted average daily attendance of the 199 charter school multiplied by the difference of:

200 (1) The amount of state aid and local aid per weighted 201 average daily attendance received by the school district in 202 which the charter school is located, not including any funds remitted to charter schools in the district. For the 203 204 purposes of this subdivision, the weighted average daily 205 attendance of the school district shall not include the 206 weighted average daily attendance of the charter schools 207 located in the district; and

208 (2) The amount of state aid and local aid per weighted
209 average daily attendance of the charter school received by
210 the charter school.

211 16. Charter schools may adjust weighted average daily212 attendance pursuant to section 163.036.

213 17. When calculating the amounts in subdivisions (1)
214 and (2) of subsection 15 of this section, the department
215 shall utilize the most current data to which the department
216 has access.

217 18. For the purposes of subsection 15 of this section:
218 (1) The definitions contained in section 163.011,
219 shall apply;

(2) The term "local aid" shall mean all local and county revenue received, including, but not limited to, the following:

223 Property taxes and delinguent taxes; (a) 224 (b) Merchants' and manufacturers' tax revenues; Financial institutions' tax revenues; 225 (C) City sales tax revenue, including city sales tax 226 (d) 227 collected in any city not within a county; 228 Payments in lieu of taxes; and (e) Revenues from state-assessed railroad and 229 (f) 230 utilities tax; 231 The term local aid shall not be construed to (3) 232 include: 233 Charitable contributions, gifts, and grants made (a) to school districts; 234 Interest earnings of school districts and student 235 (b) 236 fees paid to school districts; 237 Debt service authorized by a public vote for the (C) 238 purpose of making payments on a bond issuance of a school 239 district; Proposition C revenues received for school 240 (d) 241 purposes from the school district trust fund under section 163.087; or 242 (e) Any other funding solely intended for a particular 243 school district or their respective employees, schools, 244 foundations, or organizations; 245 246 (4) The term "state aid" shall mean any revenues 247 received pursuant to this section and sections 163.043 and 248 163.087. 249 19. Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the contrary, subsections 15 to 18 of this section shall be 250 applicable to charter schools operated only in the following 251 school districts [, provided that no such school district 252 253 shall be located in a county with more than one hundred

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fifty thousand but fewer than two hundred thousand

255 inhabitants]:

(1) In a metropolitan school district;

(2) In an urban school district containing most or all
of a city with more than four hundred thousand inhabitants
and located in more than one county;

260 (3) In a school district that has been classified as261 unaccredited by the state board of education;

262 In a school district that has been classified as (4) 263 provisionally accredited by the state board of education and 264 has received scores on its annual performance report consistent with a classification of provisionally accredited 265 266 or unaccredited for three consecutive school years beginning 267 with the 2012-13 accreditation year under the conditions 268 described in paragraphs (a) and (b) of subdivision (4) of 269 subsection 2 of section 160.400; or

(5) In a school district that has been accredited
without provisions, sponsored only by the local school board
under the conditions described in subdivision (6) of
subsection 2 of section 160.400.

274 20. (1) The members of the governing board of a275 charter school shall be residents of the state of Missouri.

(2) Any current member of a governing board of a
charter school who does not meet the requirements in
subdivision (1) of this subsection may complete their term.
Such individual shall not be renominated as a member of the
governing board on which he or she sits.

281 21. (1) Any charter school management company
282 operating a charter school in the state shall be a nonprofit
283 corporation incorporated pursuant to chapter 355.

284 (2) Notwithstanding any provision of law to the285 contrary, if a charter school is operated by a charter

school management company, all laws and regulations that apply to employees of such charter school shall apply to the actions of any employees of the management company while they are conducting any work relating to the direct decisionmaking of the operation of such charter school.

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291 22. Beginning July 1, 2023, the provisions of section292 160.995 shall be applicable to charter schools.

23. Each charter school shall publish its annual
performance report on the school's website in a downloadable
format.

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