



July 11, 2025

Sen. Sasha Renée Pérez  
Chair, Senate Education Committee  
1021 O Street, Room 6740  
Sacramento, CA 95814

**RE: ASSEMBLY BILL 84 (Muratsuchi) - OPPOSE**

Dear Chair Pérez:

We represent a broad coalition of education freedom advocates that consists of public school boosters, charter school families, private school supporters, and homeschoolers. Despite our different approaches to education, we stand united in opposing AB 84.

**This bill would harm hundreds of thousands of California families.**

AB 84 threatens to dismantle California's charter school system, which has served families well since its inception in 1992. While the bill's author has made multiple amendments, sometimes within hours of each other, it reflects a pattern of political gamesmanship rather than thoughtful policy-making.

We have sent numerous letters detailing our specific concerns about this bill's broad scope and harmful impact. We have concluded that there are no amendments that could be proposed to fix the fundamental problems with AB 84. The bill would devastate not only charter schools, but also private schools and homeschooling families. As such, here are three considerations before you as chair of the Senate Education Committee:

1. Whether AB 84 deserves to advance with similar legislation in your committee,

2. How this bill lacks good-faith negotiations that families with school-aged children deserve,
3. What charter schools, private schools, and homeschoolers should think of this process.

California families need more educational choices, not fewer options. AB 84 would eliminate opportunities for students who depend on alternatives to traditional public schools. Many of these families turn to flexible education options because they have children who have special education needs, and/or otherwise struggle with a traditional classroom learning environment.

The legislative process should serve families, not political agendas. We stand ready to work on genuine solutions that strengthen education opportunities for all California students. As such, we respectfully urge you not to advance AB 84 from the Senate Education Committee.

Sincerely,



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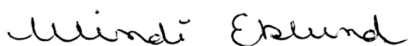


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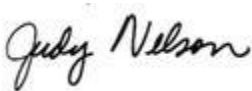
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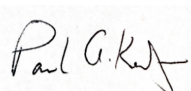
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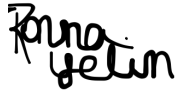
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