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Public Charter Schools—SB 374 as amended (SB037402.apm)

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Public Charter School Commission (Section 4) – 9 members
Appointed 3 each by Governor, Senate President, and Speaker of the House
No more than 5 of same political party; geographic diversity; staggered terms
Approve and oversee authorizers; authorize schools; no state general fund $ in SB 374—can accept grants, gifts, etc and receive ≤ 3% as authorizer

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Authorizers (Section 5)
Commission—statewide; limited to 5 charter schools/year
Local school boards—within district; no limit on number of charters authorized
Postsecondary institutions—statewide; no limit on number of charters authorized
Solicit proposals; approve, contract, and oversee charters; funded with ≤ 3% of charter $

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Public Charter Schools

1. Applies to authorizer (Section 9 proposal process)
2. If approved by authorizer, enters into charter contract with authorizer (Section 10)
3. Enrollment, performance, renewal , revocation, closure, operation and autonomy (Sections 11-14)
4. Funding: OPI pays charter school 65% of district per-pupil expenditures up to $8,000. Amount then deducted from OPI payment to district. (Section 15)

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