



# CITY OF HUNTINGTON BEACH

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## City Council Meeting – Council Member Items Report

To: CITY COUNCIL  
From: PAT BURNS, MAYOR  
GRACEY VAN DER MARK, COUNCIL WOMAN  
Date: JUNE 3, 2025  
Subject: **OPPOSITION TO AB 84**

### ISSUE STATEMENT

The City engages in legislative advocacy at the local, state, and federal levels to protect and promote the interests of its residents and businesses. In February 2025, City Council approved the Legislative Platform which outlines the City's positions on policy matters and serves as a guide for the City's positions on legislation. When a timely issue arises that is not addressed within the Legislative Platform, the item may be reviewed by the City Council.

AB 84 (Muratsuchi/Garcia) *School accountability: Office of the Education Inspector General: school financial and performance audits: charter school authorization, oversight, operations, and contracting: data systems* is scheduled for a final Assembly Floor Reading the week of June 2nd. If the item passes through the Assembly Floor it will be heard in the Senate Education Committee.

AB 84 has two components. The first introduces fiscal oversight rules for charter schools by district superintendents. However, the second component is concerning: it would require that all educational services for charter and homeschool students be provided by someone with a California teaching credential in order to receive funding.

Students enrolled in non-classroom based charter schools benefit from hands-on learning opportunities offered by professionals and specialists in fields such as music, art, technology, agriculture, and trades. While programs are delivered by highly qualified and experienced experts, many of these instructors do not hold traditional teaching credentials. All such programs are approved and supervised by credentialed teachers, who ensure curriculum quality, student progress, and compliance with state standards. Prohibiting participation by community experts would limit educational diversity and weaken vital school-community partnerships.

AB 84 would cut student funding and eliminate flexible, enrichment learning opportunities.

### RECOMMENDED ACTION

Authorize the Mayor to issue a letter of opposition to AB 84 (Muratsuchi/Garcia)- School accountability: Office of the Education Inspector General: school financial and performance audits: charter school authorization, oversight, operations, and contracting: data systems.

### STRATEGIC PLAN GOAL

Non Applicable - Administrative Item

### ATTACHMENT

1. Draft Letter of Opposition AB 84