

**SB 5880** - S AMD TO S AMD (S-5053.2/14) **690**  
By Senator McAuliffe

1 On page 2, line 24 of the amendment, after "directors" insert "and  
2 public schools established under chapter 28A.710 RCW"

3 On page 8, line 2 of the amendment, after "directors" insert "and  
4 public schools established under chapter 28A.710 RCW"

5 On page 16, after line 22 of the amendment, insert the following:

6 "**Sec. 3.** RCW 28A.710.040 and 2013 c 2 s 204 (Initiative Measure  
7 No. 1240) are each amended to read as follows:

8 (1) A charter school must operate according to the terms of its  
9 charter contract and the provisions of this chapter.

10 (2) All charter schools must:

11 (a) Comply with local, state, and federal health, safety, parents'  
12 rights, civil rights, and nondiscrimination laws applicable to school  
13 districts and to the same extent as school districts, including but not  
14 limited to chapter 28A.642 RCW (discrimination prohibition) and chapter  
15 28A.640 RCW (sexual equality);

16 (b) Provide basic education, as provided in RCW 28A.150.210,  
17 including instruction in the essential academic learning requirements  
18 and participate in the statewide student assessment system as developed  
19 under RCW 28A.655.070;

20 (c) Employ certificated instructional staff as required in RCW  
21 28A.410.025: PROVIDED, That charter schools may hire noncertificated  
22 instructional staff of unusual competence and in exceptional cases as  
23 specified in RCW 28A.150.203(7);

24 (d) Comply with the employee record check requirements in RCW  
25 28A.400.303;

26 (e) Implement the four-level evaluation systems for classroom  
27 teachers and principals as required under RCW 28A.405.100;

1        (f) Adhere to generally accepted accounting principles and be  
2 subject to financial examinations and audits as determined by the state  
3 auditor, including annual audits for legal and fiscal compliance;

4        ~~((+f+))~~ (g) Comply with the annual performance report under RCW  
5 28A.655.110;

6        ~~((+g+))~~ (h) Be subject to the performance improvement goals adopted  
7 by the state board of education under RCW 28A.305.130;

8        ~~((+h+))~~ (i) Comply with the open public meetings act in chapter  
9 42.30 RCW and public records requirements in chapter 42.56 RCW; and

10        ~~((+i+))~~ (j) Be subject to and comply with legislation enacted after  
11 December 6, 2012, governing the operation and management of charter  
12 schools.

13        (3) Public charter schools must comply with all state statutes and  
14 rules made applicable to the charter school in the school's charter  
15 contract and are subject to the specific state statutes and rules  
16 identified in subsection (2) of this section. Charter schools are not  
17 subject to and are exempt from all other state statutes and rules  
18 applicable to school districts and school district boards of directors,  
19 for the purpose of allowing flexibility to innovate in areas such as  
20 scheduling, personnel, funding, and educational programs in order to  
21 improve student outcomes and academic achievement. Charter schools are  
22 exempt from all school district policies except policies made  
23 applicable in the school's charter contract.

24        (4) No charter school may engage in any sectarian practices in its  
25 educational program, admissions or employment policies, or operations.

26        (5) Charter schools are subject to the supervision of the  
27 superintendent of public instruction and the state board of education,  
28 including accountability measures, to the same extent as other public  
29 schools, except as otherwise provided in chapter 2, Laws of 2013."

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30        On page 16, line 26 of the title amendment, after "28A.405.100"

1 insert "and 28A.710.040"

EFFECT: Requires charter schools to implement the four-level rating system for classroom teachers and principals.

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