

May, 14, 2016

TO: Ohio Senate Finance Committee Members
Scott Oelslager, Chair, Bill Coley, Vice Chair, Michael Skindell, Ranking
Minority Member, **Randy Gardner(my district)**, Bill Beagle, Dave Burke,
Lou Gentile, Cliff Hite, Jim Hughes, Tom Patton, Bob Peterson, Tom
Sawyer, Charleta Tavares

FR: Ralph Roshong
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RE: Senate Bill 298

Please pass SB 298 out of your Finance Committee to the whole Senate with all the strength in it to make all charter schools, community schools, and electronic schools **at least, if not more,** as accountable for their use of public educational funds as is every public school in our Great State of Ohio. It would be better if they could be made more accountable in some manner as they are not being operated with near the fiscal nor educational operational supervision as are the public schools. I sincerely think you would not want anything other than that degree of accountability. After all, you are the stewards of our states tax revenues.

Simultaneously there should also be a provision made that when a student does transfer to one of these schools, they only take with them the amount of money their home school receives in their per student state foundation funds, no more.

Thank you so much for your consideration of my thoughts.

Respectfully,

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