



Senate of Pennsylvania

MEMO

TO: All Senators

DATE: April 11, 2012

FROM: Senator Lisa M. Boseola

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SUBJECT: Co-sponsorship of Legislation

In the near future, I will be introducing legislation that will cap the amount of reimbursement a cyber charter school can receive from school districts. Currently, cyber charter schools are reimbursed the same way as brick and mortar charter schools by the school district. However, some school districts have opted to provide virtual school services to their students to compete with cyber charter schools at a comparatively reduced rate.

While brick and mortar schools have buildings to maintain, rent costs, and utilities to provide, cyber charter schools do not incur these expenses. Therefore their services should not be as costly. For districts who offer virtual school services, this legislation would cap cyber charter schools reimbursement rates to the cost of instruction of the virtual services offered by the district.

If you would like to co-sponsor this legislation, please contact Julia Brinjac at my office at 7-4236 or via e-mail at jbrinjac@pasenate.com