

HB 241: Charter School Amendments

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WHAT THE BILL DOES:

- Gives charters and cities first priority **to purchase a closed district school building**, and in return districts have shared reciprocity.
- **Requires that charter school board members take an oath of office** prescribed by the Utah Constitution as members of the State Board of Education and board members in Utah school districts.
- Replaces the charter school revolving account with the Charter School Revolving funds.

THE FACTS

- Charter schools made up **9 of the top 10 LEAs**
- Charter schools **support 85,204 students – 13 percent of the total** student population
- In 2025 Charter School enrollment grew by **3.2%**.
- **Charter schools serve students** with socio-economic disadvantages (28%), disabilities (15%), limited English proficiency (9%) and other special needs.
- Charter schools **employ more than 5200** licensed teachers, administrators, and support staff who care deeply about students.
- For the last five years, **Utah charter high schools have maintained the majority - 6 of 10 - of the top-ten high schools** ranked by U.S. News