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BILL ANALYSIS

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House Bills 5231 through 5234 (Substitute H-1 as reported without amendment)

Sponsor: Representative Regina Weiss (H.B. 5231)  
Representative Stephanie A. Young (H.B. 5232)  
Representative Samantha Steckloff (H.B. 5233)  
Representative Helena Scott (H.B. 5234)

House Committee: Education  
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### **CONTENT**

House Bills 5231 (H-1) through 5234 (H-1) would amend the Revised School Code to require the board of directors of a public school academy (PSA), a school of excellence, a strict discipline academy, or an urban high school academy, respectively, to list the names of its authorizing body and primary education management organization on property signage, promotional material, its web page, and student applications. The requirement would have to be included in entered or modified contracts between an authorizing body and a school on or after the bills' effective dates.

MCL 380.503 (H.B. 5231)  
380.553 (H.B. 5232)  
380.1311e (H.B. 5233)  
380.523 (H.B. 5234)

### **BRIEF RATIONALE**

The Code allows an authorizing body, such as the board of a school district or an intermediate school district, to contract with an interested person or entity for the creation of a PSA, school of excellence, strict discipline academy, or urban high school academy. As these schools are created by charter contracts, they are referred to as charter schools. Charter schools may contract with educational management organizations to manage and operate the charter school. Some believe charter schools lack transparency concerning their partner organizations, and so it has been suggested that Michigan charter schools be required to publicly disclose their authorizing bodies and educational management organizations.

Legislative Analyst: Abby Schneider

### **FISCAL IMPACT**

The bills would have no fiscal impact on State or local government. The requirements of the bills would apply only to signage or promotional material created after the effective date of the legislation, so no entity would have to recreate any existing signage or materials.

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