

Limestone Charter Association (LCA) Closure Protocol

2025-2026 Appropriation Act

Proviso 1.120. (SDE: Charter School Authorizer Contracts)
If a public or independent institution of higher learning charter authorizer ceases operations, any charter school under a current contract with the authorizer may apply to a new authorizer for the remainder of the charter schools contract term. Any charter school with an approved application that has not yet executed a contract as of the effective date of this act may elect to request that a new authorizer consider its application. Of the funds appropriated, the Department of Education shall create a LEA closure protocol to be fully implemented by June 1, 2026 and a timeline for the transfer of any charter schools and the receipt and review of any applications by a new authorizer for this purpose. Schools shall not be required to resubmit a full application unless the new authorizer specifically identifies an area of concern.