COMMITTEE: Senate Education
DATE: January 28, 2013
TIME: 1:15 pm
PLACE: Conference Room 411

RE: SB 242 RELATING TO EDUCATION

POSITION: HEPC supports this bill.

COMMENTS:

HEPC notes that in 2012, in an effort to secure sustainable funding for an adult and community education school, the concept of it applying to become a public school was placed before the Charter School Commission. This caused some confusion as there did not seem to be any specific statutory language that limited charter schools to the K-12 traditional grades.

Whether it be this bill or another, HEPC respectfully suggest that the Legislature clarify whether an Adult and Community School could ever come under Section 302B. HEPC would support legislation that clarifies the issue. We do not see how charter school law could accommodate the adult and community school operations.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify. HEPC stands ready to provide analysis and research for bills and issues before the Legislature.