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Funding & relationships with affiliated companies to be examined;

Diane Ravitch to testify

The Senate Standing Committee on Corporations, Authorities and Commissions will be holding a public hearing to look at the books of companies affiliated with charter schools. This hearing will review the corporate practices of both not-for-profit and for-profit corporations that partner or contract with charters. The hearing will examine how charters are spending money, on what, and how much profit there is in charter schools.

The Committee has received and is investigating reports suggesting corruption, self-dealing,

the manipulation of test scores in charter schools and the politicization of the charter school movement. Joining the hearing as a key witness will be nationally renowned educator Professor Diane Ravitch, former charter school supporter now turned critic.

Senator Bill Perkins, Chair of the Committee on Corporations, Authorities and Commissions, will discuss these reports and announce the Committee's public hearing to be held April 22nd.

Who:

Senator Bill Perkins

When:

Thursday, March 18, 2010 at 11:45 a.m.

Where:

Capitol, outside Senate Chamber, 3rd Floor