

Summary of the Senate Committee on Education’s Meeting with Ted Fisher.

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- Vermont Agency of Education’s Career Technical Education Finance Recommendations Implementation Plan:
 - Commissioned in 2022 per legislative request. It contains recommendations related to governance, funding, policy, and capacity.
 - S.207 “An act relating to revising the funding for and governance of career technical education and S.304 “An act relating to Vermont’s career and technical education programs.”
 - The Senate Committee on Education plans to hear detailed testimony on both laws in the coming weeks.
- The Scott Administration is seeking to address funding, policy, and capacity this session. They intend to address governance issues in the next legislative session.
- Recommendations:
 1. A study to look at changes to district CTE transportation costs.
 2. Move to a district level funding structure for CTE. This would mean allocating education fund money statewide to meet the needs of individual districts.
 - This would be several years down the line. They first require 2 years to collect data about student participation and cost by program and center.
 3. Resolve calendar and schedule inconsistencies.
 4. Establish a full time educational coordinator for career technical education at the Agency of Education.¹

¹This request is within the Governor's budget.