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Governance Timeline

• Incentivized Mergers

After self-evaluation/analysis and regional conversations per 16 V.S.A. Chapter 11

o **Accelerated** – "phase 1 mergers" (Act 46 of 2015)

All districts in an SU become a single unified school district

- voter approval: 07.01.16
- fully operational: 07.01.17
- o **REDs & Variations** "phase 2 mergers" (Acts 153 of 2010 & 156 of 2012)

Include Side-by-Side mergers & MUUSDs

- voter approval: 07.01.17
- fully operational: by 07.01.19
- o Later "Conventional" Mergers "phase 3 mergers" (Act 46)
 - voter approval: no deadline
 - fully operational: by 07.01.19
- Proposals for "Alternative Structures" by Nonmerging Districts (Act 46)

After self-evaluation/analysis and regional conversations per Act 46, Sec. 9

- o proposal due: 11.30.17
- Secretary of Education's Statewide Proposal (Act 46)
 - o proposal due: 06.01.18
- State Board of Education's Final Statewide Plan (Act 46)

Governance changes to SUs and districts to the extent necessary, possible, & practicable

- o issued: by 11.30.18
- o effective: 07.01.19