

1 H.258

2 Introduced by Representatives Martin of Wolcott, Consejo of Sheldon, Evans

3 of Essex, Townsend of Randolph, and Woodward of Johnson

4 Referred to Committee on

5 Date:

6 Subject: Education; supervisory unions; school districts; budgets; meetings

7 Statement of purpose of bill as introduced: This bill proposes to require that a  
8 school board provide information regarding school district and supervisory  
9 union budgets to the electorate no fewer than 15 days before the district's  
10 annual meeting, rather than no fewer than 10 days.

11 An act relating to providing information to the electorate about school  
12 district and supervisory union budgets

13 It is hereby enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Vermont:

14 Sec. 1. 16 V.S.A. § 563(1) is amended to read:

15 (10) Shall prepare and distribute to the electorate, not ~~less than ten~~ fewer  
16 than 15 days prior to the district's annual meeting, a report of the conditions  
17 and needs of the district school system, including the superintendent's,  
18 supervisory union treasurer's, and school district treasurer's annual report for  
19 the previous school year and the balance of any reserve funds established  
20 pursuant to 24 V.S.A. § 2804. At a school district's annual meeting, the

1 electorate may vote to provide notice of availability of the report required by  
2 this subdivision to the electorate in lieu of distributing the report. If the  
3 electorate of the school district votes to provide notice of availability, it must  
4 specify how notice of availability shall be given, and such notice of availability  
5 shall be provided to the electorate at least 30 days before the district's annual  
6 or special meeting.

7 Sec. 2. EFFECTIVE DATE

8 This act shall take effect on July 1, 2013.