

1 H.269

2 Introduced by Representatives Fagan of Rutland City, Branagan of Georgia,
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5 Town

6 Referred to Committee on

7 Date:

8 Subject: Education; public high school choice; tuition

9 Statement of purpose of bill as introduced: This bill proposes to reverse the
10 default position that a school district that operates a high school pays no money
11 when a resident student enrolls in another public high school. Instead, it would
12 require the sending district to pay the full tuition that the receiving school
13 charges to nonoperating districts.

14 An act relating to tuition payments for students engaging in public high
15 school choice

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

17 Sec. 1. 16 V.S.A. § 822a is amended to read:

18 § 822a. PUBLIC HIGH SCHOOL CHOICE

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20 (g) Tuition and other costs.

1 (1) Unless the sending and receiving schools agree to a different
2 arrangement, ~~no tuition or other cost shall be charged by the receiving district~~
3 ~~or paid by the sending district~~ shall pay tuition to the receiving district pursuant
4 to section 824 of this title for a student transferring to a different high school
5 under this section; ~~provided, however, a.~~ A sending high school district shall
6 also pay special education and technical education costs for resident students
7 pursuant to the provisions of this title.

8 (2) A student transferring to a different high school under this section
9 shall pay no tuition, fee, or other cost that is not also paid by students residing
10 in the receiving district.

11 (3) A district of residence shall include within its average daily
12 membership any student who transfers to another high school under this
13 section; a receiving school district shall not include any student who transfers
14 to it under this section.

15 Sec. 2. EFFECTIVE DATE

16 This act shall take effect on July 1, 2013 and shall apply to enrollments in
17 the 2014–2015 academic year and after.