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H.358

Introduced by Representatives Campion of Bennington, Christie of Hartford,
Juskiewicz of Cambridge, Kupersmith of South Burlington,
Lanpher of Vergennes, Mook of Bennington, O’Sullivan of
Burlington, Rachelson of Burlington, and Stuart of Brattleboro

Referred to Committee on

Date:

Subject: Education; teachers; teacher education programs

Statement of purpose of bill as introduced: This bill proposes to study teacher
education programs available at the University of Vermont and the Vermont
State Colleges.

An act relating to teacher education programs

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

Sec. 1. TEACHER EDUCATION PROGRAMS; STUDY

The Secretary of Education, in consultation with the University of Vermont,
the Vermont State Colleges, and the Vermont-NEA, shall study the admissions
requirements, academic rigor, and availability and quality of practical
experiences in the teacher education programs offered at the University of
Vermont and the Vermont State Colleges. The Secretary shall also consult
with and may contract for research and other services of the James M. Jeffords

1 Center for Policy Research at the University of Vermont. The study shall
2 include a comparison of the Vermont institutions to each other and to other
3 public university and college programs in other states. The Secretary shall
4 report the results of the study to the House and Senate Education Committees
5 on or before December 15, 2013.

6 Sec. 2. APPROPRIATION

7 The sum of \$5,000.00 is appropriated from the General Fund in fiscal year
8 2014 to the Agency of Education for the purposes authorized in Sec. 1 of
9 this act.

10 Sec. 3. EFFECTIVE DATE

11 This act shall take effect on passage.