

1 S.185

2 Introduced by Senator White

3 Referred to Committee on

4 Date:

5 Subject: Education; special education; residential facilities; in-state facilities

6 Statement of purpose of bill as introduced: This bill proposes to require that a
7 student receiving State funds in connection with an individualized education
8 program (IEP) who is in need of residential placement shall be enrolled in a
9 Vermont facility unless there is no in-state facility that can provide the services
10 required by the IEP. It would not require a student who is currently enrolled
11 outside Vermont to enroll in a Vermont facility.

12 An act relating to in-state residential facilities providing special education
13 services

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

15 Sec. 1. 16 V.S.A. § 2958(e) is amended to read:

16 (e) Costs for residential placement shall be reimbursed under subchapter 2
17 of this chapter only if the residential facility is;

18 (1) approved by the State Board for the purposes of providing special
19 education and related services to children with disabilities; and

1 (2) located in Vermont, unless there is no Vermont facility that can
2 provide the services required by a child's individualized education program.

3 Sec. 2. EFFECTIVE DATE

4 This act shall take effect on July 1, 2014 and shall apply to all new
5 residential placements occurring on or after that date.