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Introduced by Representatives LaLonde of South Burlington, Dakin of  
Colchester, Head of South Burlington, Pugh of South  
Burlington, and Townsend of South Burlington

Referred to Committee on

Date:

Subject: Education; State aid; school construction

Statement of purpose of bill as introduced: This bill proposes to amend 2015  
Acts and Resolves No. 46 to expand the exemption for the refund upon sale  
obligation for school districts that received State aid for school construction if  
the funds will be used to renovate an existing school building or construct a  
new school building in the district.

An act relating to State aid for school construction repayment obligations

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

Sec. 1. 2015 Acts and Resolves No. 46, Sec. 13 is amended to read:

Sec. 13. REFUND UPON SALE OF SCHOOL BUILDINGS  
REQUIREMENT; NEW SCHOOL DISTRICTS; JOINT  
CONTRACT SCHOOLS; SCHOOL BUILDING  
CONSOLIDATION

1 (a) Notwithstanding 16 V.S.A. § 3448(b), the refund upon sale requirement  
2 shall not apply to:

3 (1) a union school district created under 16 V.S.A. chapter 11 that  
4 becomes operational on or after July 1, 2015; ~~and~~

5 (2) two or more districts that, on or after July 1, 2015, enter into a  
6 contract pursuant to 16 V.S.A. chapter 11, subchapter 1 to operate a school  
7 jointly; and

8 (3) a school district that consolidates two or more school buildings to  
9 serve the educational needs of students in a more cost-effective and  
10 educationally appropriate manner if the sale amount is used to renovate an  
11 existing school building or construct a new school building in the district.

12 (b) As used in subsection (a) of this section, a union school district  
13 established under 16 V.S.A. chapter 11 includes a school district voluntarily  
14 created pursuant to the provisions of this act, or a regional education district or  
15 any other district eligible to receive incentives pursuant to 2010 Acts and  
16 Resolves No. 153, as amended by 2012 Acts and Resolves No. 156 and 2013  
17 Acts and Resolves No. 56.

18 (c) This section is repealed on July 1, ~~2017~~ 2018.

19 Sec. 2. EFFECTIVE DATE

20 This act shall take effect on July 1, 2016.