

**Miscellaneous Ed
H. 876 – Secs. 44–66
SEC (4.1) & SFC (4.1) Proposals of Amendment (5/7/14)**

Senate Ed Secs (SEC pages)	Sen Finance Secs (SFC pages)	Topic
44 (pp. 17–18)		Intent; Enhanced Opportunity and Efficiency
45–51 (pp. 18–25)	45 (p. 3)	<p>SU Board; SU; Superintendent; and School District Responsibilities</p> <p><u>Sec. 45:</u> <i>SU Board</i> – moves existing policy-making duties currently in § 261a into new, separate <i>SU Board</i> section (§ 268) and clarifies language SFC PROPOSAL #1: clarifies SEC language that maintains current option to hire a superintendent</p> <p><u>Sec. 46:</u> <i>SU</i> – moves existing non-policy-making duties currently in § 261a into a new, separate <i>SU</i> section (§ 269) and clarifies language including adding heading that SU has “sole” authority; explicitly mentions duty to purchase textbooks; keeps waivers SFC PROPOSAL #2: removes “(d) waivers” from Sec. 46, but adds new Sec. 46a providing waivers that sunsets on July 1, 2019 per Sec. 46b</p> <p><u>Sec. 47:</u> <i>Hire Superintendent</i> – moves existing § 241 (permitting SUs to hire a superintendent) into SU chapter by redesignating it as § 270</p>
	46a–46b (pp. 3–4)	
	<i>OK</i>	
	<i>OK</i>	<p><u>Sec. 48:</u> <i>Superintendents</i> – moves some existing non-policy-making duties currently in § 261a into superintendents existing § 242; moves § 242 to SU chapter by redesignating it as § 271</p>

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	<p><i>OK</i></p> <p><i>OK</i></p> <p>50a (pp. 4–5)</p> <p><i>OK</i></p>	<p><u>Sec. 49: <i>Internal Financial Controls</i></u> – moves existing § 241a (internal financial controls) into SU chapter by redesignating it as § 272</p> <p><u>Sec. 50: <i>School Districts</i></u> – amends current broad authority in two places with a reference to “except for duties solely within SU’s authority;” removes responsibility provide textbooks (moved to SU above)</p> <p>SFC PROPOSAL #3: adds new Sec. 50a imposing financial penalty on districts that perform duties assigned to SU (noncompliance after 6/30/2015)</p> <p><u>Sec. 51:</u> repeals § 261a (moved to different locations)</p>
<p>52–54 (pp. 25–27)</p>	<p><i>OK</i></p> <p>53 (pp. 5–6)</p> <p><i>OK</i></p>	<p>SU Service Regions; Cooperation with Other SUs for Certain Duties</p> <p><u>Sec. 52:</u> SBE establishes SU Service Regions (no governance change) after consultation with SUs</p> <p><u>Sec. 53:</u> SUs required to cooperate within regions for certain duties; provides exceptions for (1) REDs; (2) SUs with waivers (Sec. 46); and (3) if Secretary determines more costly</p> <p>SFC PROPOSAL #4: removes first 2 exceptions</p> <p><u>Sec. 54:</u> makes related technical change</p>
<p>54a (p. 27)</p>		<p>Supervisory Unions; Merger Plans</p> <p>SUs enter into discussions before April 1, 2015 with other SUs regarding possible merger</p>

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	54a (p. 6)	SFC PROPOSAL #5: Amends so that all SUS must eventually merge with another SU or explain to SBE's satisfaction why it's impossible to do so; authorizes SBE to facilitate meetings if SU cannot find neighboring SU that is willing to explore potential merger with it
55–61 (pp. 27–37)	55 (p. 7) OK 57 (pp. 7–9) 58 (pp. 9–10) OK OK	<p>Voluntary Mergers</p> <p><u>Sec. 55:</u> RED incentives available if approved by electorate by July 2017 SFC PROPOSAL #6: makes technical correction – “prior to” July 1, 2017 (not “on or before”)</p> <p><u>Sec. 56:</u> ADM reduced from 1,250 to 1,000 for RED merger</p> <p><u>Sec. 57:</u> RED incentive increased from \$150K to \$500K (except MUUSD at \$150K) SFC PROPOSAL #7: amends Sec. 57 so incentive is between \$150K and \$500K at Secretary's discretion based on projected post-merger savings; also does not subtract reimbursement grant from it (MUUSD at \$150K)</p> <p><u>Sec. 58:</u> 50% incentives for RED approved by electorate 7/1/2017 – 6/30/2019 SFC PROPOSAL #8: amends Sec. 58(e) and (g) so incentive can be between \$75K and \$250K at Secretary's discretion based on projected post-merger (MUUSD at \$75K)</p> <p><u>Sec. 59:</u> small school support grant per RED incentives continues despite H.889 (geographic necessity)</p> <p><u>Sec. 60:</u> expedited process for voting on RED on which electorate already voted</p>

Senate Ed Secs (SEC pages)	Sen Finance Secs (SFC pages)	Topic
	<p>60a (pp. 10–11)</p> <p>60b (pp. 11–12)</p> <p>OK</p>	<p>SFC PROPOSAL #9: adds new Sec. 60a increasing current repayment of SU merger planning costs from \$20K to \$40 K and don't have to subtract them from Sec. 60b incentive grant <i>AND</i> extending reimbursement incentives at 50% between 7/1/2017 and 6/30/2019</p> <p>SFC PROPOSAL #9: adds new Sec. 60b increasing current incentive grant for successful SU merger of \$150K so grant is between \$150K and \$750K <i>AND</i> extending reimbursement incentives at 50% for SU mergers approved between 7/1/2017 and 6/30/2019</p> <p><u>Sec. 61:</u> RED formation – AOE assistance</p>
<p>62–64 (pp. 37–38)</p>	<p>62 (pp. 12–13)</p> <p>OK</p> <p>OK</p>	<p>Appropriations; Positions</p> <p><u>Sec. 62:</u> authorizes 2 analyst positions in AOE to help districts with RED process</p> <p>SFC PROPOSAL #10: adds that analysts will also help SUs with SU service regions and with explorations of merger</p> <p><u>Sec. 63:</u> Appropriations</p> <p><u>Sec. 64:</u> Appropriations & positions in addition to those in H.889</p>
	<p>65 (pp. 13–14)</p>	<p>PROPOSAL #11:</p> <p><u>Sec. 65:</u> Special Ed Expenditure Pilot Program</p>
<p>65</p>	<p>66</p>	<p>Effective Dates – most on passage (<i>grandfathers Sec. 29 for students already enrolled</i>)</p>

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(p. 38–39)	(pp. 14–15)	Secs. 45–51 (SU / district duties): takes effect 7/1/2014 <u>SEC</u> : applies 2015-2016 academic year and after <u>SFC</u> : applies on passage but compliance penalty applies to noncompliance on 7/1/2015 and after Secs. 52–54 (SU Service Regions): takes effect 7/1/2014 and applies 2016-2017 academic year and after