

1 Ed Finance – Budget question language

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3 Sec. 1. 16 V.S.A. § 563 is amended to read:

4 § 563. POWERS OF SCHOOL BOARDS; FORM OF VOTE IF BUDGET

5 EXCEEDS BENCHMARK AND DISTRICT SPENDING IS ABOVE

6 AVERAGE

7 The school board of a school district, in addition to other duties and

8 authority specifically assigned by law:

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10 (11)(A) Shall prepare and distribute annually a proposed budget for the  
11 next school year according to such major categories as may from time to time  
12 be prescribed by the ~~commissioner~~ Secretary.

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14 (D) The board shall present the budget to the voters by means of a  
15 question in the form of vote provided as follows:

16 “Article #1 (School Budget):

17 The total proposed budget of \$ \_\_\_\_\_ is the amount determined by

18 the school board to be necessary to support the school district's educational

19 program. It is estimated that this proposed budget, if approved, will result in

20 education spending of \$ \_\_\_\_\_ per pupil. This projected spending per pupil is

21 \_\_\_\_\_ % higher/lower than spending for the current year. Shall the voters of the

1 school district approve the school board to expend \$ \_\_\_\_\_, which is the  
2 amount the school board has determined to be necessary for the ensuing fiscal  
3 year?”

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7 (Committee vote: \_\_\_\_\_)

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Representative \_\_\_\_\_

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FOR THE COMMITTEE

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