

**Chart Comparison of S.4 as Passed by the Senate to the House  
Education Amendment of S.4**

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**House Education Amendment**

<p>Sec. 1</p> <p>Findings</p>	<p>Removes Sec. 1 Findings</p>
<p>Sec. 2</p> <p>12 V.S.A. § 1043(a)</p> <p>Provides definitions for coach, school athletic team, and youth athlete based on current law.</p> <p>Adds definitions for collision sport, contact sport, and health care provider.</p> <p>A collision sport is football, hockey, lacrosse, or wrestling.</p> <p>A contact sport is defined by reference to the American Academy of Pediatrics' list of contact/collision sports.</p> <p>Health care provider is defined as a provider licensed pursuant to Title 26 who has received training on concussions within five years and the training included materials provided by the CDC.</p>	<p>Same but order of definitions differs.</p>
<p>12 V.S.A. § 1043(b)</p> <p>Requires the Secretary of Education to develop materials for schools, parents, and students on (1) the risks of concussions, (2) the risks of returning to play too soon following a concussion, and (3) the importance of receiving a medical</p>	<p>Same.</p>

<p>evaluation when a concussion is suspected.</p> <p>Adds to current law subdivisions (4) and (5) to require the Secretary of Education to develop materials for schools, parents, and students on methods to reduce concussions and standards for approving athletes to return to play following a concussion.</p>	
<p>12 V.S.A. § 1043(c)</p> <p>Schools must provide the information created in (b) to parents and students and acquire a signed acknowledgment from a parent that the materials were received.</p> <p>(3)(A) requires coaches to receive training every two years on how to recognize a concussion and requires new coaches to receive the training before acting as a coach.</p> <p>In (3)(A), adds to current law the requirement that training for coaches is to include how to reduce the risk of concussions and how to teach proper techniques for avoiding concussions.</p> <p>Adds (4) to current law, which requires referees of high school collision sports to be trained every two years on how to recognize a concussion.</p>	<p>Same</p>
<p>12 V.S.A. § 1043(d)</p> <p>Requires a coach to pull a student athlete from play if the coach believes or has reason to believe the student was concussed.</p> <p>Requires a health care provider to examine a removed student and requires written</p>	<p>Same.</p>

<p>approval by the provider before the student may return to play.</p> <p>Adds that a health care provider has the same duties as a coach in determining when to remove a student from play and when a student may return to play.</p>	
<p>12 V.S.A. § 1043(e)</p> <p>Requires schools to have a concussion management plan that includes who makes the decision to remove a student from play, what steps a student must take to return to play, who makes the final decision that a student return, and who has the responsibility to inform a parent when a student is concussed.</p>	<p>Same.</p>
<p>12 V.S.A. § 1043(f)</p> <p>Requires the home team to provide a health care provider at all high school collision sports events.</p> <p>The home team must notify the visiting team's athletic director within 48 hours when a visiting athlete is concussed.</p> <p>Home teams are strongly encouraged to provide a health care provider at contact sports events.</p> <p>A school must notify a parent within 24 hours when a student on its team is concussed.</p> <p>Takes effect July 1, 2014.</p>	<p>Same.</p>

<p>Sec. 3</p> <p>Report</p> <p>The Vermont Traumatic Brain Injury Advisory Board is asked to gather available concussion data and report it to the General Assembly.</p>	<p>Same.</p>
<p>Sec. 4</p> <p>Repeals 16 V.S.A. § 1431 and creates a new statute at 12 V.S.A. § 1043.</p>	<p>Amends 16 V.S.A. § 1431.</p>