

1 H.346

2 Introduced by Representative Rachelson of Burlington

3 Referred to Committee on

4 Date:

5 Subject: Education; average daily membership

6 Statement of purpose of bill as introduced: This bill proposes to require that
7 each school district report its average daily membership during a spring census
8 period in addition to the current autumn census period.

9 An act relating to requiring school districts to count average daily
10 membership twice annually

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

12 Sec. 1. 16 V.S.A. § 4001(1) is amended to read:

13 (1) "Average daily membership" of a school district, or if needed in
14 order to calculate the appropriate homestead tax rate, of the municipality as
15 defined in 32 V.S.A. § 5401(9), in any year means:

16 (A) The full-time equivalent enrollment of students, as defined by the
17 State Board by rule, who are legal residents of the district or municipality
18 attending a school owned and operated by the district, attending a public
19 school outside the district under section 822a of this title, or for whom the
20 district pays tuition to one or more approved independent schools or public

1 schools outside the district during the ~~annual~~ autumn and spring census period
2 periods. The autumn census period consists of the 11th day through the
3 30th day of the school year in which school is actually in session. The spring
4 census period consists of the 91st day through the 110th day of the school year
5 in which school is actually in session.

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7 Sec. 2. 16 V.S.A. § 4010(b) is amended to read:

8 (b) The Secretary shall determine the long-term membership for each
9 school district for each student group described in subsection (a) of this
10 section. The Secretary shall use the actual average daily membership ~~over two~~
11 ~~consecutive years~~ as determined during the most recent four census periods,
12 ~~the latter~~ last of which is the autumn census period during the current school
13 year.

14 Sec. 3. EFFECTIVE DATE

15 This act shall take effect on July 1, 2015.