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Introduced by Representatives Marcotte of Coventry, Viens of Newport City,
Burditt of West Rutland, Conquest of Newbury, Grad of
Moretown, and LaLonde of South Burlington

Referred to Committee on

Date:

Subject: Truancy prevention

Statement of purpose of bill as introduced: This bill proposes to create a
working group to assess the countywide truancy prevention models.

An act relating to creating a Truancy Prevention Working Group

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

Sec. 1. TRUANCY PREVENTION WORKING GROUP; REPORT

(a) Creation. There is created a Truancy Prevention Working Group to
assess the countywide truancy prevention models developed in accordance
with the December 15, 2009, report to the Legislature by the then
Commissioner of Education. The Working Group shall determine where the
truancy prevention models were implemented, and use results-based
accountability measures to analyze the efficacy of these models. The Working
Group shall make recommendations for legislative changes based on the results
of the analysis.

1 (b) Membership. The Working Group shall be composed of the following
2 10 members: Executive Director of the Department of State's Attorneys and
3 Sheriffs; Executive Director of the Vermont Superintendents Association;
4 Executive Director of the Vermont Principals' Association; Executive Director
5 of the Vermont School Boards Association; Deputy Commissioner for Family
6 Services, Department for Children and Families; the Chief Superior judge; and
7 three school superintendents, to be appointed by the Executive Director of the
8 Vermont Superintendents Association.

9 (c) Assistance. The Working Group shall have the administrative,
10 technical, and legal assistance of the Office of the Attorney General.

11 (d) Report. On or before January 15, 2016, the Working Group shall
12 submit a written report to the House and Senate Committees on Education and
13 the House and Senate Committees on Judiciary with its findings and any
14 recommendations for legislative action.

15 (e) Meetings.

16 (1) The Executive Director of the Department of State's Attorneys and
17 Sheriffs shall call the first meeting of the Working Group to occur on or before
18 July 1, 2015.

19 (2) The Committee shall select a chair from among its members at the
20 first meeting.

21 (3) A majority of the membership shall constitute a quorum.

1 (4) The Working Group shall cease to exist on July 1, 2016.

2 (f) Reimbursement. Members of the Working Group who are not
3 employees of the State of Vermont and who are not otherwise compensated or
4 reimbursed for their attendance shall be entitled to per diem compensation
5 pursuant to 32 V.S.A. § 1010 for no more than 10 meetings.

6 Sec. 2. EFFECTIVE DATE

7 This act shall take effect on passage.