

1 Introduced by Committee on Education

2 Date:

3 Subject: Education; career technical education; governance study

4 Statement of purpose of bill as introduced: This bill proposes to direct the  
5 Pre-Kindergarten-16 Council to review the governance, funding, and higher  
6 education pathways for career technical education and recommend a new  
7 model for career technical education, and to establish a new staff position in  
8 the Agency of Education.

9 An act relating to career technical education

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

11 Sec. 1. STUDY OF CAREER TECHNICAL EDUCATION

12 (a) Powers and duties. The Pre-Kindergarten-16 Council shall study:

13 (1) current and alternative governance models for the provision of career  
14 technical education;

15 (2) current and alternative funding models for the provision of career  
16 technical education; and

17 (3) current and alternative pathways for students moving from secondary  
18 to postsecondary career technical education.

19 (b) Recommendations. The Committee shall develop one or more  
20 recommendations to improve the governance, funding, and pathways for career

1 technical centers, which shall include a recommendation for a new model  
2 where career technical centers are under the governance of the Vermont State  
3 Colleges with improved opportunities for moving from secondary to  
4 postsecondary career technical education.

5 (c) Assistance. The Committee shall have the administrative, technical, and  
6 legal assistance of the Agency of Education.

7 (d) Report. On or before January 15, 2017, the Committee shall submit a  
8 report to the House Committees on Commerce and Economic Development,  
9 and on Education, and the Senate Committees on Economic Development,  
10 Housing and General Affairs, and on Education with its findings and  
11 recommendations.

12 Sec. 2. CREATION OF AGENCY OF EDUCATION STAFF POSITION

13 There is established one (1) new [exempt] position—[NAME OF  
14 POSITION]—in the Agency of Education. The [NAME OF POSITION] shall  
15 work in the area of career technical education and shall initially work with the  
16 Pre-Kindergarten-16 Council in coordinating and assisting its work pursuant to  
17 Sec. 1 of this act.

18 Sec. 3. EFFECTIVE DATE

19 This act shall take effect on July 1, 2016.