

**H.361 – Conference Committee Report
(5/14/15; draft 1.2)**

***** Findings; Goals; Intent *****

- Sec. 1. Findings
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***** Small School Support; Effective Fiscal Year 2020 *****

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***** Declining Enrollment; Equalized Pupils; 3.5 Percent Limit *****

- Sec. 22. Remove “Tail” from 3.5% Hold Harmless Calculation; FY17
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***** Fiscal Year 2016 Education Property Tax Rates, Applicable Percentage, and Base Education Amount *****

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***** Cost Containment; Excess Spending as a Percentage of Spending Over Statewide Average *****

Secs. 37–39 **Include?**

***** Duties of Supervisory Unions; Failure to Comply; Tax Rates *****

Sec. 40. Five % Tax Penalty for Failure to Comply with Current Law; FY18

***** Quality Assurance; Accountability; Fiscal Year 2020 *****

Sec. 41. 16 V.S.A. § 165(b)(1)–(4) – Current and Future Authority of SBE for Failure to Move Toward EQS

***** Household Income; Assets; Investment Income *****

Sec. 42. 32 V.S.A. § 6061 **Include?**

***** Education Spending Increases; Moratorium *****

Sec. 41. MORATORIUM **Alternative version -- Include??**

***** Miscellaneous *****

Sec. __. SU Boundaries

Sec. __. SU = LEA

Sec. __. Employee Transition to New Employer

Sec. __. Definition of Unified Union School District

Sec. __. Designation of High Schools

***** Reports *****

Sec. __. Special Ed Funding

Sec. __. Principals and Superintendents

Sec. __. Property Tax Adjustment; Lag

Sec. __. AHS / AOE Coordination

Sec. __. Adequacy Model **Include?**

Sec. __. Health Care Costs **Include?**

Sec. __. Household Income; Assets **Include?**

Secs. __-__. Joint Legislative Education Oversight Committee **Include?**