1	Introduced by Committee on Education
2	Referred to Committee on
3	Date:
4	Subject: Education; career technical education; student weighting; CTE
5	Innovation Grant Program
6	Statement of purpose of bill as introduced: This bill proposes to increase the
7	weighting factor for career technical education students in the calculation of
8	weighted long-term membership and to create the CTE Innovation Grant
9	Program to support CTE programming for students in grade 7.
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10	An act relating to career technical education
11	It is hereby enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Vermont:
12	Sec. 1. 16 V.S.A. § 4010 is amended to read:
13	§ 4010. DETERMINATION OF WEIGHTED MEMBERSHIP
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15	(c) The Secretary shall determine the weighted long-term membership for
16	each school district using the long-term membership from subsection (b) of
17	this section and the following weights for each class:
18	(1) Prekindergarten 0.46
19	(2) Elementary or kindergarten 1.0
20	(3) Secondary (excluding secondary CTE) 1.13

1	(4) Secondary CTE 1.5
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3	Sec. 2. CTE INNOVATION GRANT PROGRAM
4	(a) CTE Innovation Grant Program created. There is created the CTE
5	Innovation Grant Program to support CTE programming for students in
6	grade 7. The program shall be administered by the Agency of Education.
7	(b) Grants.
8	(1) The Agency of Education shall award grants on a competitive basis
9	to public schools that operate grade 7. Grants shall be used by public schools
10	to purchase equipment and supplies for grade 7 students to support CTE
11	programming, including programming designed to assist students in deciding
12	whether to enroll in career technical education courses.
13	(2) The Agency shall develop all aspects of the program, including
14	creating an application process, setting funding priorities, and determining
15	criteria for evaluating applications on a competitive basis and for awarding
16	grants, provided that, in order to qualify for a grant, a public school shall
17	provide its grade 7 students with practical learning opportunities in career
18	technical education, such as in-class training by trade members or class visits
19	to trade sites.

1 (c) Funding. The program shall be funded by a \$1,000,000.00 2 appropriation made by the General Assembly and paid to the Agency to 3 administer pursuant to the terms or this section. (d) Reporting. On or before November 15, 2017 and January 15, 2018, the 4 5 Agency shall report to the House and Senate Committees on Education on the 6 status and results of the program. 7 Sec. 3. EFFECTIVE DATE 8 This act shall take effect on July 1, 2017.