

1 Sec XX. 2017 Acts and Resolves No. 49, Sec. 35 is amended to read:

2 Sec. 35. EDUCATION WEIGHTING REPORT

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4 (b) In addition to considering and making recommendations on the criteria  
5 used for determining weighted long-term membership of a school district  
6 under subsection (a) of this section, the Agency of Education may shall  
7 consider and make recommendations on other methods that would further the  
8 quality and equity of educational outcomes for students.

9 (c) On or before December 15, 2017, 2018, the Agency of Education shall  
10 submit a written report to the House and Senate Committees on Education, the  
11 House Committee on Ways and Means, and the Senate Committee on Finance  
12 with its findings and any recommendations.

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14 (e) Funding. The Agency of Education may contract with a contractor with  
15 expertise in Vermont's education funding system for the study required by this  
16 section. The Agency of Education may allocate out of its fiscal year 2018  
17 budget a sum up to \$300,000 to provide funding for the purposes set forth in  
18 this section. Any application of funds for the purpose of administrative  
19 overhead shall be capped at ten percent of the total sum allocated pursuant to  
20 this section.