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***I support Chancellor Spaulding's request for \$4 million increase to the Vermont State College System with an annual inflator. I urge you to support Representative Hill's bill H122.***

The Vermont State College mission statement reads as follows:

*"For the benefit of Vermont, the Vermont State Colleges system provides affordable, high quality, student-centered, and accessible education, fully integrating professional, liberal, and career study, consistent with student aspirations and regional and state needs."*

In brief, given the lack of appropriate state funding to support the VSC, it is simply not the case that we provide affordable and accessible education. As is well known, our tuition is among the highest in the country, which is completely (not in part) due to the lack of state funding. It is entirely unethical to promote a mission that is so inconsistent with reality.

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