



Memorandum

To: Members of the Senate Education Committee

From: Jeffrey Francis, Executive Director, Vermont Superintendents Association

Donarae Dawson, President, Vermont Council of Special Education

Administrators

Date: April 13, 2017

Re: Proposed Modifications to STARS Language - Agency of Human Services

The Vermont Superintendents Association and the Vermont Council of Special Education Administrators have an interest in the proposed modifications to STARS language associated with the Senate Education Committee's consideration of H.513.

Given that the proposed changes were just presented yesterday, and given that action by the Committee is apparently imminent, we will not have sufficient time to confer with superintendents, special education administrators and early childhood directors regarding any input they may have on that proposal.

Therefore, in order to facilitate the Committee's timing and support an analysis by our Associations, our intentions are to undertake a more thorough review of the proposal on the most timely basis possible and convey our concerns, if any, through a written comment to the House and Senate Education Committees and to Secretaries Gobeille and Holcombe. We will work to complete that process as soon as possible.

Thank you.