

S.257

Senator Rodgers moves that the report of the Committee on Education be amended as follows:

First: In Sec. 2, 16 V.S.A. § 828, by striking out subsection (a) in its entirety and inserting in lieu thereof a new subsection (a) to read:

- (a) A school district shall not pay the tuition of a student except to:
- (1) a public school;
 - (2) an approved independent school; in Vermont;
 - (3) an independent school in Vermont meeting education quality standards;
 - (4) a tutorial program approved by the State Board;
 - (5) an approved education program, ~~or;~~
 - (6) an independent school in another state ~~or country~~ approved under the laws of that state ~~or country~~, ~~nor shall payment that is either:~~
 - (A) contiguous to Vermont; or
 - (B) in a state that pays publicly funded tuition for its resident students to attend a public or approved independent school in Vermont;
 - (7) a public or independent school in Canada approved under the laws of Canada; or
 - (8) a school to which a student on an individualized education plan has been referred or placed by the student's individualized education plan team or local education agency.

Second: By striking out Sec. 3 in its entirety and inserting in lieu thereof a new Sec. 3 to read:

Sec. 3. TRANSITION

Notwithstanding Sec. 2 of this act, a school district may pay tuition on behalf of a student to a school located in another country or to an approved independent school that is located in a state that is not contiguous to Vermont or in a state that does not pay publicly funded tuition for its resident students to attend a public or approved independent school in Vermont if, during the 2017-2018 school year, the student attended that school; provided, however, that tuition shall be paid for not more than four years after enactment of this act.