

1 S.89

2 Introduced by Senator Clarkson

3 Referred to Committee on

4 Date:

5 Subject: Education; average daily membership; public high school choice

6 Statement of purpose of bill as introduced: This bill proposes to amend the
7 definition of “average daily membership” of a school district to include public
8 high school students who attend a school in the school district but who reside
9 outside the school district.

10 An act relating to the manner in which average daily membership is
11 computed for public high school students exercising school choice

12 It is hereby enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Vermont:

13 Sec. 1. 16 V.S.A. § 822a is amended to read:

14 § 822a. PUBLIC HIGH SCHOOL CHOICE

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16 (g) Tuition and other costs.

17 (1) Unless the sending and receiving schools agree to a different
18 arrangement, no tuition or other cost shall be charged by the receiving district
19 or paid by the sending district for a student transferring to a different high
20 school under this section; provided, however, a sending high school district

1 shall pay special education and career technical education costs for resident
2 students pursuant to the provisions of this title.

3 (2) A student transferring to a different high school under this section
4 shall pay no tuition, fee, or other cost that is not also paid by students residing
5 in the receiving district.

6 ~~(3) A district of residence shall include within its average daily~~
7 ~~membership any student who transfers to another high school under this~~
8 ~~section; a receiving school district shall not include any student who transfers~~
9 ~~to it under this section.~~

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11 Sec. 2. 16 V.S.A. § 4001(1) is amended to read:

12 (1) “Average daily membership” of a school district, or if needed in
13 order to calculate the appropriate homestead tax rate, of the municipality as
14 defined in 32 V.S.A. § 5401(9), in any year means:

15 (A) The full-time equivalent enrollment of students, as defined by the
16 State Board by rule;

17 (i) who are legal residents of the district or municipality;

18 (I) attending a school owned and operated by the district;

19 (II) attending a public school outside the district under section

20 822a of this title; or

