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Introduced by Representatives Harrison of Chittenden and Cupoli of Rutland

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Referred to Committee on

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Date:

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Subject: Education; flexible pathways; dual enrollment; parochial schools

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Statement of purpose of bill as introduced: This bill proposes to permit a

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student who attends an approved independent school that is a parochial school

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to be eligible for dual enrollment courses. It accomplishes this by eliminating

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the requirement that a student's district of residence must pay publicly funded

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tuition to the approved independent school on behalf of the student. This

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change would also permit a student who attends a nonparochial approved

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independent school without the use of publicly funded tuition to be eligible for

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dual enrollment courses.

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An act relating to the eligibility of students attending approved independent

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schools that are parochial schools to be eligible for dual enrollment courses

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

2 Sec. 1. 16 V.S.A. § 944 is amended to read:

3 § 944. DUAL ENROLLMENT PROGRAM

4 (a) Program creation. There is created a the statewide Dual Enrollment
5 Program to be a potential component of a student's flexible pathway. The
6 Program shall include college courses offered on the campus of an accredited
7 postsecondary institution and college courses offered by an accredited
8 postsecondary institution on the campus of a secondary school. The Program
9 may include online college courses or components.

10 (b) Students.

11 (1) A Vermont resident who has completed grade 10 but has not
12 received a high school diploma is eligible to participate in the Program if:

13 (A) the student:

14 (i) is enrolled in:

15 (I) a Vermont public school, including a Vermont career
16 technical center;

17 (II) a public school in another state or an approved independent
18 school that is designated as the public secondary school for the student's
19 district of residence; or

