| 1  | H.246  |
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| 2  | Introduced by Representatives Chesnut-Tangerman of Middletown Springs          |
| 3  | and Browning of Arlington  |
| 4  | Referred to Committee on   |
| 5  | Date:  |
| 6  | Subject: Taxation; education property tax; tax increment financing; Emergency  |
| 7  | Board  |
| 8  | Statement of purpose of bill as introduced: This bill proposes to annually     |
| 9  | require the Emergency Board to estimate forgone revenue from the Education     |
| 10 | Fund resulting from tax increment financing districts and transfer this amount |
| 11 | to the Education Fund from the General Fund.                                   |
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| 12 | An act relating to forgone revenue from tax increment financing districts      |
| 13 | It is hereby enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Vermont:          |
| 14 | Sec. 1. 32 V.S.A. § 305b is amended to read:                                   |
| 15 | § 305b. EDUCATION PROPERTY TAX INCREMENT; EMERGENCY                            |
| 16 | BOARD ESTIMATE   |
| 17 | Annually, at the January meeting of the Emergency Board held pursuant to       |
| 18 | section 305a of this title, the Joint Fiscal Office and the Secretary of       |
| 19 | Administration shall provide to the Emergency Board a consensus estimate of    |
| 20 | the impact on forgone revenue from the Education Fund resulting from tax       |

| 1  | increment financing districts authorized pursuant to 24 V.S.A. chapter 53 and      |
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| 2  | section 5404a of this title. The estimate shall be for the succeeding fiscal year. |
| 3  | The Emergency Board shall adopt an official estimate of the impact on forgone      |
| 4  | revenue from the Education Fund at the January meeting.                            |
| 5  | Sec. 2. 16 V.S.A. § 4025 is amended to read:                                       |
| 6  | § 4025. EDUCATION FUND   |
| 7  | (a) The Education Fund is established to comprise the following:                   |
| 8  | (1) all revenue paid to the State from the statewide education tax on              |
| 9  | nonresidential and homestead property under 32 V.S.A. chapter 135;                 |
| 10 | (2) [Repealed.]  |
| 11 | (3) revenues from State lotteries under 31 V.S.A. chapter 14 and from              |
| 12 | any multijurisdictional lottery game authorized under that chapter;                |
| 13 | (4) 25 percent of the revenues from the meals and rooms taxes imposed              |
| 14 | under 32 V.S.A. chapter 225;   |
| 15 | (5) one-third of the revenues raised from the purchase and use tax                 |
| 16 | imposed by 32 V.S.A. chapter 219, notwithstanding 19 V.S.A. § 11(1);               |
| 17 | (6) revenues raised from the sales and use tax imposed by 32 V.S.A.                |
| 18 | chapter 233; and   |
| 19 | (7) Medicaid reimbursement funds pursuant to subsection 2959a(f) of                |
| 20 | this title; and  |

| 1 | (8) for each fiscal year, the amount of general funds appropriated and           |
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| 2 | transferred to the Education Fund in an amount equal to the official estimate of |
| 3 | forgone revenue from the Education Fund adopted by the Emergency Board           |
| 4 | pursuant to section 305b of this title.  |
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| 6 | Sec. 3. EFFECTIVE DATE   |
| 7 | This act shall take effect on July 1, 2019.                                      |