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2 Representative Scheuermann of Stowe moves that the bill be amended by
3 striking out all after the enacting clause and inserting in lieu thereof the
4 following:

5 Sec. 1. SCHOOL DISTRICT MERGERS; STATE BOARD OF
6 EDUCATION ORDER

7 Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary:

8 (1) Merger deadline extension. The deadline for school district mergers
9 ordered by the State Board of Education under 2015 Acts and Resolves No. 46,
10 Sec. 10, as amended, shall be on July 1, 2019 or July 1, 2020.

11 (A) For a school district that is required to merge into an existing
12 district, if the school board of the merging district votes or has voted, by
13 majority vote of members representing a quorum, in favor of merging on
14 July 1, 2019, then the merger shall take effect on that date, subject to approval
15 by the existing district to accept the merging district where required by the
16 State Board order.

17 (B) For school districts that are required to merge into a newly
18 formed district, if the school board of each merging district votes or has voted,
19 by majority vote of members representing a quorum, in favor of merging on
20 July 1, 2019, then the merger shall take effect on that date.

1 (2) Default Articles of Agreement. On or before March 15, 2019, the
2 State Board of Education shall amend and reissue the default Articles of
3 Agreement included with the State Board’s order to merge to accommodate the
4 merger deadline extension in this section. The deadline for approval of the
5 draft Articles of Agreement under Sec. 10(d)(2) of 2015 Acts and Resolves
6 No. 46, as amended, shall be extended to March 31, 2020.

7 Sec. 2. EFFECTIVE DATE

8 This act shall take effect on passage.