

1 H.716

2 Introduced by Committee on Education

3 Date:

4 Subject: Education; miscellaneous

5 Statement of purpose of bill as introduced: This bill proposes to (1) adjust the
6 methodology for computing the first year special education grant payment
7 under 2018 Acts and Resolves No. 173; and (2) delay implementation of State
8 Board of Education rules 2362 and 2362.2.5 until July 1, 2023.

9 An act relating to making miscellaneous changes in education law

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

11 * * * Special Education Funding * * *

12 Sec. 1. 16 V.S.A. § 2961 is amended to read:

13 § 2961. CENSUS GRANT

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15 (d)(1)(A) For fiscal year 2023, the amount of the census grant for a
16 supervisory union shall be:

17 (i) the average amount it received for fiscal years ~~2018~~, 2019, ~~and~~
18 2020, and 2021 from the State for special education under sections 2961
19 (standard mainstream block grants), 2963 (special education expenditures

1 reimbursement), and 2963a (exceptional circumstances) of this title; increased
2 by

3 (ii) the annual change in the National Income and Product
4 Accounts (NIPA) Implicit Price Deflator for State and Local Government
5 Consumption Expenditures and Gross Investment as reported by the
6 U.S. Department of Commerce, Bureau of Economic Analysis.

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8 * * * Special Education Rule Change; Delay * * *

9 Sec. 2. STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION 2360 RULE SERIES; PARTIAL
10 DELAY

11 It is the intent of the General Assembly to allow educators and staff time to
12 adequately prepare for the delivery of special education services as required
13 under the State Board of Education special education rules series 2360, which
14 takes effect on July 1, 2022. Therefore, notwithstanding any provision to the
15 contrary under 16 V.S.A. § 164, the State Board of Education shall suspend the
16 implementation of rules 2362 and 2362.2.5 until July 1, 2023. The remaining
17 rules under the 2360 rule series shall take effect on July 1, 2022.

18 * * * Effective Date * * *

19 Sec. 3. EFFECTIVE DATE

20 This act shall take effect on July 1, 2022.