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2 Senators Chittenden, Campion, Hooker, Lyons, Perchlik and Terenzini  
3 move that the Senate concur in the House proposal of amendment with further  
4 proposal of amendment by striking out Sec. 19, effective dates, and its reader  
5 assistance heading in their entirety and inserting in lieu thereof the following:

6 \* \* \* State Board of Education; Members \* \* \*

7 Sec. 19. 16 V.S.A. § 161 is amended to read:

8 § 161. STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION; APPOINTMENT OF  
9 MEMBERS; TERM; VACANCY

10 The State Board shall consist of ten members. Two of the members shall be  
11 secondary students, one of whom shall be a full member and the other of  
12 whom shall be a junior member who may not vote. All members shall be  
13 appointed by the Governor with the advice and consent of the Senate. In the  
14 appointment of the nonstudent members, priority shall be given to the selection  
15 of persons with a demonstrated commitment to ensuring quality education for  
16 Vermont students. To the extent possible, the members shall represent  
17 ~~geographically diverse areas of the State~~ the State's geographic, gender, racial,  
18 and ethnic diversity. The Secretary shall serve on the State Board as a  
19 nonvoting member.

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1                   \* \* \* State Board of Education; Powers and Duties \* \* \*

2           Sec. 20. 16 V.S.A. § 164 is amended to read:

3           § 164. STATE BOARD; GENERAL POWERS AND DUTIES

4           The State Board shall ~~evaluate education policy proposals, including timely~~  
5           ~~evaluation of policies presented by the Governor and Secretary;~~ engage local  
6           school board members and the broader education community; ~~and establish~~  
7           ~~and advance education policy for the State of Vermont~~ and, consistent with the  
8           provisions of this title, its own rules, and rules adopted by the Secretary,  
9           establish and regularly update a long-term strategic vision for the delivery of  
10           educational services in Vermont; advise the General Assembly, the Governor,  
11           and the Secretary of Education on high-priority educational policies and issues  
12           as they arise; and act in accordance with legislative mandates, including the  
13           adoption of rules and executing special assignments. In addition to other  
14           specified duties, the Board shall:

15           (1) Establish such advisory commissions as in the judgment of the  
16           Board will be of assistance to it in carrying out its duties. Advisory  
17           commission members shall serve with or without compensation at the  
18           discretion of the Board but shall receive actual expenses incurred in pursuance  
19           of their duties.

1 (2) Have the authority to enter into agreements with school districts,  
2 municipalities, states, the United States, foundations, agencies, or individuals  
3 for service, educational programs, or research projects.

4 (3) Examine and determine all appeals that by law are made to it and  
5 prescribe rules of practice in respect thereto, not inconsistent with law.

6 (4) ~~Review and comment on an Agency budget prepared by the~~  
7 ~~Secretary for the Governor.~~ [Repealed.]

8 (5) [Repealed.]

9 (6) Make regulations governing the attendance and records of  
10 attendance of all students and the department of students attending public  
11 schools.

12 (7) Adopt rules pursuant to 3 V.S.A. chapter 25 ~~as necessary or~~  
13 ~~appropriate for the execution of its powers and duties and of the powers and~~  
14 ~~duties of all persons under its supervision and control~~ to carry out the powers  
15 and duties of the Board as directed by the General Assembly, within the  
16 limitations of legislative intent.

17 \* \* \* Effective Dates \* \* \*

18 Sec. 21. EFFECTIVE DATES

19 This act shall take effect on passage, except that school districts and  
20 approved independent schools shall comply with the requirements of Sec. 11  
21 (menstrual products) for the 2022–2023 school year and thereafter.