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Senators Hardy, Gulick, Clarkson, White, and Vyhovsky move that the report of the Committee on Education be amended by striking out Sec. 9, 3 V.S.A. § 2702, in its entirety and inserting in lieu thereof a new Sec. 9 to read as follows:

Sec. 9. 3 V.S.A. § 2702 is amended to read:

§ 2702. SECRETARY OF EDUCATION

(a) Appointment process.

(1) With the advice and consent of the Senate, the Governor shall appoint a Secretary of Education from among ~~no~~ not fewer than three candidates proposed by the State Board of Education.

(2) Within 30 days following public notification of the resignation of a Secretary of Education:

(A) the State Board shall initiate a robust national search process; and

(B) the Governor may issue a written letter to the State Board with information regarding qualifications and experience the Governor would prefer to see in potential candidates.

(3) The State Board shall send its list of not fewer than three candidates to the Governor within 90 days after initiating a search pursuant to subdivision

(2)(A) of this subsection.

1 (4) The Governor shall appoint a Secretary of Education not later than
2 30 days after receiving the list of candidates from the State Board.

3 (5) The Secretary shall serve at the pleasure of the Governor.

4 (b) Cabinet member. The Secretary shall report directly to the Governor
5 and shall be a member of the Governor’s Cabinet.

6 (c) Expertise and experience. At the time of appointment, the Secretary
7 shall have significant experience and expertise in:

8 (1) public education management and policy;

9 (2) curriculum development and classroom instruction; and

10 (3) demonstrated educational leadership ~~and management abilities.~~