

Date: 2/26/25

To: Senate Education

From: Agency of Education and Department for Children and Families' Child Development Division

Re: Alternate approach to S. 214

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16 V.S.A. § 829. is amended to add:

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(i) Essex North Supervisory Union, including the Canaan School District and the NEK Choice School District, may provide prekindergarten to eligible prekindergarten students by paying tuition to one or more prekindergarten program operated by a public school in New Hampshire that is located in a school district sharing a border with Vermont. The Essex North Supervisory Union shall be responsible for administering enrollment procedures and managing prekindergarten tuition payments as outlined in applicable law [this section] and State Board of Education rules. The superintendent may apply for and receive a waiver from the Agency of Education and Agency of Human Services of any rule provision that is impractical for the New Hampshire program by demonstrating that a substantially equivalent provision is offered by the New Hampshire program.