

2019-2020 Session

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House Committee on Education (Room 31)

The House Committee on Education considers matters relating the educational needs of Vermonters, including the arts, libraries, and literary and scientific subjects; the amount of revenue required to satisfy the educational needs; and the manner of raising necessary revenue.

Previous Meetings - Full Report

Wednesday, January 9, 2019

Meeting Details

Hearing Type	Standard
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Meeting Record

10:00 AM	House Convenes
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11:30 AM	Committee Check-In
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Member introductions and seating assignment

1:30 PM **House Floor**

New member seating and election of Canvassing Committee

4:30 PM **Adjourn**

Thursday, January 10, 2019

Meeting Details

Hearing Type Standard

Meeting Record

9:30 AM **House Floor**

10:00 AM **Joint Assembly**

Results from Canvassing Committee

11:00 AM **Sexual Harassment Prevention Training**

House Floor immediately following Joint Assembly

1:30 PM **Joint Assembly**

Governor's Inaugural Address

4:30 PM Adjourn

Friday, January 11, 2019

Meeting Details

**Hearing
Type** Standard

Meeting Record

9:30 AM House Floor

10:00 AM Security Training

Immediately following adjournment of the Floor

11:00 AM iPad Training

Brandon Dyer, User Support Specialist, Office of
Legislative Counsel

12:15 PM Tax Workshop - Principles of a High-Quality Tax System

Room 10

1:30 PM Committee Discussion

Expectations and roles

2:00 PM Vermont Department of Taxes and Office of State Tax Commissioner

Introduction

Deborah Carroll, Principal Assistant, Department of Taxes

Kate Strousse, Executive Assistant, Vermont Department of Taxes

4:30 PM Adjourn

Tuesday, January 15, 2019

Meeting Details

Hearing Type Standard

Meeting Record

8:30 AM Committee Training

How schools are organized

Kate Connizzo, Digital Communications and Web Manager, Agency of Education

James DesMarais, Legislative Counsel, Office of Legislative Counsel

Ted Fisher, Director of Communications and Legislative Affairs, Agency of Education

10:00 AM **House Floor**

Caucuses immediately following Floor

12:00 PM **Lunch**

1:00 PM **Joint Fiscal Office**

How education is funded in Vermont - Part 1 of 2

Mark Perrault, Senior Fiscal Analyst, Joint Fiscal Office

Chloe Wexler, Fiscal Data Analyst, Joint Fiscal Office

3:00 PM **Committee Training**

Update on merger activity

Krista Huling, Chair, State Board of Education

Donna Russo-Savage, Staff Attorney, Agency of
Education

3:30 PM **State Board of Education**

Introduction

Daniel French, Secretary, Agency of Education

Krista Huling, Chair, State Board of Education

Peter Peltz, Member, State Board of Education

Donna Russo-Savage, Staff Attorney, Agency of
Education

4:30 PM **Adjourn**

Wednesday, January 16, 2019

Meeting Details

**Hearing
Type** Standard

Meeting Record

9:00 AM Vermont Council of Special Education Administrators

Introduction

Mary Lundeen, Director of Student Support Services,
Montpelier-Roxbury School District

Traci Sawyers, Executive Director, Vermont Council of
Special Education Administrators

11:00 AM Joint Fiscal Office

How education is funded in Vermont - Part 2 of 2

Mark Perrault, Senior Fiscal Analyst, Joint Fiscal Office
Chloe Wexler, Fiscal Data Analyst, Joint Fiscal Office

12:00 PM Lunch

1:00 PM House Floor

2:30 PM Vermont-National Education Association

Introduction

Jeff Fannon, Executive Director, Vermont National
Education Association

Colin Robinson, Political Director, Vermont National
Education Association

4:30 PM Adjourn

Thursday, January 17, 2019

Meeting Details

**Hearing
Type** Standard

Meeting Record

8:30 AM Committee Training

James DesMarais, Legislative Counsel, Office of
Legislative Counsel

**10:00 AM H.3 - An act relating to ethnic and social equity studies
standards for public schools**

Bill introduction by sponsors

Rep. Kevin "Coach" Christie, Hartford

Rep. Dylan Giambatista, Essex Junction

Rep. Diana Gonzalez, Winooski

11:00 AM **H.3 - An act relating to ethnic and social equity studies standards for public schools**

Walk-through

James DesMarais, Legislative Counsel, Office of
Legislative Counsel

Amanda Garces, Founder, Vermont Coalition for Ethnic
and Social Equity in Schools

12:00 PM **Lunch**

1:00 PM **House Floor**

- **Decorum Training**

Immediately following adjournment of House Floor

Jeffrey Francis, Executive Director, Vermont
Superintendents Association

Jay Nichols, Executive Director, Vermont Principals'
Association

3:00 PM **Vermont School Board Association**

Introduction

Nicole Mace, Executive Director, Vermont School
Boards Association

4:30 PM **Adjourn**

Friday, January 18, 2019

Meeting Details

**Hearing
Type** Standard

Meeting Record

9:00 AM Vermont Legislative Research Service

Introduction

Anthony Gierzynski, Director, Vermont Legislative
Research Service, UVM

Emily Klofft, Teacher's Assistant, Vermont Legislative
Research Service, UVM

Eric Tucker, Teacher's Assistant, Vermont Legislative
Research Service, UVM

9:30 AM House Floor

**10:30 AM H.3 - An act relating to ethnic and social equity studies
standards for public schools**

Comparison to H.14 from last session

James DesMarais, Legislative Counsel, Office of
Legislative Counsel

11:00 AM

H.3 - An act relating to ethnic and social equity studies standards for public schools

Amanda Garces, Founder, Vermont Coalition for Ethnic and Social Equity in Schools

12:00 PM **Lunch**

2:00 PM **Vermont Independent Schools Association**

Introduction

Michael Livingston, President, Vermont Independent Schools Association

Mill Moore, Executive Director, Vermont Independent Schools Association

2:45 PM **Governor's Proposed FY2019 Budget Adjustment**

Agency of Education

Rep. Peter Conlon, House Committee on Education

Rep. Charles Conquest, House Committee on Appropriations

4:30 PM **Adjourn**

Tuesday, January 22, 2019

Meeting Details

**Hearing
Type** Standard

Meeting Record

9:00 AM Committee Discussion

Report of the Census-Based Funding Advisory Group

Meagan Roy, Director of Student Support Services,
Champlain Valley School District

10:00 AM House Floor

Caucuses immediately following Floor

11:30 AM H.3 - An act relating to ethnic and social equity studies standards for public schools

Jeff Fannon, Executive Director, Vermont National
Education Association

12:00 PM Lunch

1:00 PM School Merger Discussion

Discussion

Rep. Heidi E. Scheuermann, Stowe

1:30 PM H.3 - An act relating to ethnic and social equity studies standards for public schools

Tabitha Pohl-Moore, President, NAACP - Rutland

1:50 PM H.3 - An act relating to ethnic and social equity studies standards for public schools

Beth Fastiggi, Commissioner, Department of Human Resources

2:00 PM School District Mergers

Discussion

Danielle Corti, School Board Member, Newbury School Board

Penny Jones, School Board Member, Lamoille South Supervisory Union

Scott Thompson, School Board Member, U-32 School Board

2:30 PM H.3 - An act relating to ethnic and social equity studies standards for public schools

Nicole Mace, Executive Director, Vermont School Boards Association

3:00 PM Agency of Education

Introduction to administrative staff

Heather Bouchey, Deputy Secretary, Agency of Education

Emily Byrne, Chief Financial Officer, Agency of Education

Ted Fisher, Director of Communications and Legislative
Affairs, VT Department of Education

Daniel French, Secretary, Agency of Education

Emily Simmons, General Counsel, Agency of Education

4:30 PM Adjourn

Wednesday, January 23, 2019

Meeting Details

**Hearing
Type** Standard

Meeting Record

**8:30 AM H.3 - An act relating to ethnic and social equity studies
standards for public schools**

Don Stevens, Chief, Nulhegan Band of the Coosuk-
Abenaki Nation

**9:00 AM H.3 - An act relating to ethnic and social equity studies
standards for public schools**

Hope Petraro, Student, Montpelier High School
MaryAnn Songhurst, Student, Montpelier High School
Sarika Tandon, Board Member, Vermont Coalition for
Ethnic and Social Equity in Schools Advisory Board

9:30 AM **H.3 - An act relating to ethnic and social equity studies standards for public schools**

Jay Nichols, Executive Director, Vermont Principals' Association

10:00 AM **H.3 - An act relating to ethnic and social equity studies standards for public schools**

Shadiin Garcia, National Social Justice Consultant, Shoreline Consulting

10:30 AM **H.3 - An act relating to ethnic and social equity studies standards for public schools**

Amanda Garces, Founder, Vermont Coalition for Ethnic and Social Equity in Schools

10:40 AM **H.3 - An act relating to ethnic and social equity studies standards for public schools**

Amanda Rohdenburg, Director of Advocacy, Outright Vermont

11:00 AM **H.3 - An act relating to ethnic and social equity studies standards for public schools**

Amanda Garces, Founder, Vermont Coalition for Ethnic and Social Equity in Schools

Rich Holschuh, Commissioner, Vermont Commission on Native American Affairs

- **H.3 - An act relating to ethnic and social equity studies standards for public schools**

Committee discussion immediately following testimony

12:00 PM **Lunch**

1:00 PM **House Floor**

2:00 PM **Governor's Proposed FY2019 Budget Adjustment**

Agency of Education - lead testing in schools

Rep. Peter Conlon, House Committee on Education

2:10 PM **H.3 - An act relating to ethnic and social equity studies standards for public schools**

Alexa Gabriel, Preschool Teacher, AllTogetherNow!

2:30 PM **H.3 - An act relating to ethnic and social equity studies standards for public schools**

Brenda Churchill, State House Liaison, LGBTQIA
Alliance of Vermont

Amanda Garces, Founder, Vermont Coalition for Ethnic
and Social Equity in Schools

3:00 PM **School District Mergers**

Discussion

Bev Davis, Superintendent, Orleans Central Supervisory
Union

**3:30 PM H.3 - An act relating to ethnic and social equity studies
standards for public schools**

Sarah Launderville, Executive Director, Vermont Center
for Independent Living

**4:00 PM H.3 - An act relating to ethnic and social equity studies
standards for public schools**

Krista Huling, Chair, State Board of Education

4:30 PM School District Mergers

Discussion

John Pandolfo, Superintendent, Barre Supervisory
Union

Sonya Spaulding, Chair, Barre City School Board

5:00 PM School District Mergers

Discussion

Jeanne Collins, Superintendent, Rutland Northeast
Supervisory Union

David Younce, Superintendent, Mill River Unified Union
School District

5:30 PM Adjourn

Thursday, January 24, 2019

Meeting Details

**Hearing
Type** Standard

Meeting Record

9:00 AM Agency of Education and Agency of Digital Services

SLDS report and equalized pupils

Heather Bouchey, Deputy Secretary, Agency of
Education

Brad James, Education Finance Manager, Agency of
Education

Shawn Nailor, Deputy Director, Agency of Digital
Services

**10:00 AM H.3 - An act relating to ethnic and social equity studies
standards for public schools**

Heather Bouchey, Deputy Secretary, Agency of
Education

11:20 AM Agency of Education

Data Updates

Ted Fisher, Director of Communications and Legislative
Affairs, VT Department of Education

11:30 AM **H.3 - An act relating to ethnic and social equity studies standards for public schools**

Mark-up and possible vote

James DesMarais, Legislative Counsel, Office of
Legislative Counsel

12:00 PM **Lunch**

1:00 PM **House Floor**

Decorum training immediately following Floor

2:00 PM **Governor's FY2020 Budget Address**

Joint Assembly - House Chamber

3:15 PM **Association of Vermont Independent Colleges**

Introduction

Susan Stitely, President, Association of Vermont
Independent Colleges

3:30 PM **H.3 - An act relating to ethnic and social equity studies standards for public schools**

James DesMarais, Legislative Counsel, Office of
Legislative Counsel

Amanda Garces, Founder, Vermont Coalition for Ethnic
and Social Equity in Schools

Keith Goslant, Chair, LGBTQIA Alliance of Vermont

3:45 PM **H.3 - An act relating to ethnic and social equity studies standards for public schools**

Mark-up and vote

James DesMarais, Legislative Counsel, Office of
Legislative Counsel

Don Stevens, Chief, Nulhegan Band of the Coosuk-
Abenaki Nation

4:30 PM **Adjourn**

Friday, January 25, 2019

Meeting Details

**Hearing
Type** Standard

Meeting Record

9:30 AM **House Floor**

10:30 AM **School District Mergers**

Discussion

Jill Stahl Tyler, Chair, Brattleboro Town School Board

11:30 AM Vermont Legal Aid

Introduction

Michael Fisher, Chief Health Care Advocate, Vermont
Legal Aid

Julia Shaw, Health Care Policy Analyst, Vermont Legal
Aid

12:00 PM Adjourn

Tuesday, January 29, 2019

Meeting Details

**Hearing
Type** Standard

Meeting Record

9:00 AM iPad Training

Brandon Dyer, User Support Specialist, Office of
Legislative Counsel

10:00 AM House Floor

- **Governor's Proposed FY2019 Budget Adjustment**

Caucus of the Whole - House Floor

Rep. Janet Ancel, Sponsor of Bill

Rep. Michael Mrowicki, Sponsor of Bill

Dorothy Naylor, Member, Calais School Board

Rep. Carolyn W. Partridge, Sponsor of Bill

Rep. Heidi E. Scheuermann, Sponsor of Bill

Cara Zimmerman, Chair, Stowe School Board

12:00 PM

Lunch

1:00 PM

H.39 - An act relating to the extension of the deadline of school district mergers required by the State Board of Education

2:00 PM

H.3 - An act relating to ethnic and social equity studies standards for public schools

James DesMarais, Legislative Counsel, Office of
Legislative Counsel

David Edleson, Rabbi, Temple Sinai Vermont

David Fainsilber, Rabbi, Jewish Community of Greater
Stowe

Jason Lorber, Citizen

Emily Rosenbaum, President, Jewish Community of
Greater Stowe

Amy Small, Rabbi, Ohavi Zedek Synagogue

5:15 PM

H.3 - An act relating to ethnic and social equity studies standards for public schools

Possible vote on amendments

5:30 PM Adjourn

Wednesday, January 30, 2019

Meeting Details

**Hearing
Type** Standard

Meeting Record

9:00 AM Mental Health Advocacy Day

*Center for Health and Learning and Vermont Suicide
Prevention Center*

Julia Hampton, Health Program Specialist, Center for
Health and Learning and Vermont Suicide
Prevention Center

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School-based services

Matt Habedank, Children's Behavior Services Program
Manager, Northwestern Counseling and Support
Services

Amy Irish, School Based Behavior Consultant Team
Leader, Northwestern Counseling and Support
Services

11:00 AM **H.3 - An act relating to ethnic and social equity studies standards for public schools**

Laura Pelosi, Lobbyist, St. Johnsbury Academy and Burr and Burton Academy

11:30 AM **H.3 - An act relating to ethnic and social equity studies standards for public schools**

Committee discussion

12:00 PM **Lunch**

1:00 PM **House Floor**

2:00 PM **Mental Health Advocacy Day**

Therapeutic schools

Kym Asam, Regional Director of Schools and Clinical Programming, Northeastern Family Institute Vermont

Cara Capparelli, Clinical Director, Northeastern Family Institute Vermont

Drew Gradinger, Director, Kindle Farm School

3:00 PM **H.3 - An act relating to ethnic and social equity studies standards for public schools**

Walk-through of all-committee member amendment and vote

Luke Martland, Director and Chief Counsel, Office of Legislative Counsel

3:30 PM Vermont State Colleges System

Introduction

Jeb Spaulding, Chancellor, Vermont State Colleges
System

4:30 PM Adjourn

Thursday, January 31, 2019

Meeting Details

**Hearing
Type** Standard

Meeting Record

9:00 AM Presentation

*Innovations and successes in the Northeast Kingdom of
Vermont*

Hunter Beer, Student, Burke Town School

Jennifer Botzojorns, Superintendent, Kingdom East
School District

Elaine Collins, President, Northern Vermont University

Melissa Jacobs, Board Chair, Craftsbury Saplings
Childcare Center

Nya Jewell, Student, Burke Town School

Tom Lovett, Headmaster, St. Johnsbury Academy
Harry Miller, School Board Chair, Craftsbury Schools
Lily Miller, Student, Burke Town School
Morgan Moore, Teacher, Burke Town School
Chelsea Ott, Student, Burke Town School
Sarah Waring, Vice President of Grants and Community
Investments, Vermont Community Foundation

10:30 AM UP for Learning

Introduction

Lindsey Halman, UP Program Director, UP for Learning

**11:00 AM H.39 - An act relating to the extension of the deadline of
school district mergers required by the State Board of
Education**

Committee discussion

12:00 PM Lunch

1:00 PM House Floor

- Decorum Training

Immediately following House Floor

3:15 PM Agency of Education

Report on Act 46 of 2015, Section 6(d) Accelerated Activity; Supervisory Union Becoming a Supervisory District; Enhanced Tax Incentives; Data and Report

Daniel French, Secretary, Agency of Education

Donna Russo-Savage, Staff Attorney, Agency of Education

Emily Simmons, General Counsel, Agency of Education

3:45 PM Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA)

Overview and update

Heather Bouchey, Deputy Secretary, Agency of Education

Ted Fisher, Director of Communications and Legislative Affairs, VT Department of Education

Amy Fowler, Citizen

Patrick Halladay, Education Project Manager, Agency of Education

4:30 PM Adjourn

Friday, February 1, 2019

Meeting Details

Hearing Type Standard

Meeting Record

8:30 AM **H.39 - An act relating to the extension of the deadline of school district mergers required by the State Board of Education**

Introduction - Scheuermann Alternative Amendment

Rep. Heidi E. Scheuermann

8:45 AM **H.39 - An act relating to the extension of the deadline of school district mergers required by the State Board of Education**

Walk-through with amendment

James DesMarais, Legislative Counsel, Office of
Legislative Counsel

9:20 AM **H.39 - An act relating to the extension of the deadline of school district mergers required by the State Board of Education**

James DesMarais, Legislative Counsel, Office of
Legislative Counsel

Nicole Mace, Executive Director, Vermont School
Boards Association

9:30 AM **House Floor**

10:45 AM **H.39 - An act relating to the extension of the deadline of school district mergers required by the State Board of Education**

Daniel French, Secretary, Agency of Education
Geo Honigford, Member, Royalton School Board
Margaret MacLean, Citizen, Peacham

11:30 AM H.39 - An act relating to the extension of the deadline of school district mergers required by the State Board of Education

Side-by-Side Act 49 (2017) and H.39 (Scheuermann Amendment - Alternative Language)

Scheuermann Amendment - Alternative Language Draft No. 7.1

James DesMarais, Legislative Counsel, Office of
Legislative Counsel

Rep. Heidi E. Scheuermann

12:00 PM Lunch

12:30 PM H.39 - An act relating to the extension of the deadline of school district mergers required by the State Board of Education

Vote

Rep. Heidi E. Scheuermann, sponsor of bill

1:50 PM Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA)

Amy Fowler, Citizen

2:15 PM

H.39 - An act relating to the extension of the deadline of school district mergers required by the State Board of Education

Walk-through of Committee Amendment

James DesMarais, Legislative Counsel, Office of
Legislative Counsel
Rep. Heidi E. Scheuermann

3:30 PM **H.39 - An act relating to the extension of the deadline of school district mergers required by the State Board of Education**

Vote for advancement to Floor

3:35 PM **Adjourn**

Tuesday, February 5, 2019

Meeting Details

Hearing Type Standard

Meeting Record

9:00 AM **Vermont Future Business Leaders of America**
Introduction

Ethan Duncan, Student, Champlain Valley Union High School

Taylor Lane, Student, Lake Region Union High School

Noah Lemieux, Student, Champlain Valley Union High School

Katherine Pion, Student, Lake Region Union High School

Ajay Warner, Student, Lake Region Union High School

10:00 AM House Floor

Caucuses immediately following Floor

11:00 AM UVM Extension

Presentation on education-related programs

Lena Ashooh, 4-H Youth, Shelburne

Sarah Kleinman, Director of 4-H, Farmworker, and Family Education Programs, University of Vermont Extension

Lauren Traister, Teen and Leadership Specialist, UVM Extension

11:30 AM H.39 - An act relating to the extension of the deadline of school district mergers required by the State Board of Education

Hold for possible discussion

12:00 PM Lunch

1:00 PM **H.39 - An act relating to the extension of the deadline of school district mergers required by the State Board of Education**

Committee discussion

2:30 PM **H.39 - An act relating to the extension of the deadline of school district mergers required by the State Board of Education**

Walk-through of Committee Amendment Draft No. 5.1

James DesMarais, Legislative Counsel, Office of
Legislative Counsel

Donna Russo-Savage, Staff Attorney, Agency of
Education

Rep. Heidi E. Scheuermann

Emily Simmons, General Counsel, Agency of Education

2:45 PM **H.39 - An act relating to the extension of the deadline of school district mergers required by the State Board of Education**

Nicole Mace, Executive Director, Vermont School
Boards Association

3:00 PM **H.39 - An act relating to the extension of the deadline of school district mergers required by the State Board of Education**

Jeffrey Francis, Executive Director, Vermont
Superintendents Association

3:15 PM **H.39 - An act relating to the extension of the deadline of school district mergers required by the State Board of Education**

Margaret MacLean, Citizen, Peacham

Rep. Michael Mrowicki, Sponsor

Rep. Heidi E. Scheuermann, Sponsor

3:45 PM **H.39 - An act relating to the extension of the deadline of school district mergers required by the State Board of Education**

Committee discussion and vote

4:30 PM **Adjourn**

Wednesday, February 6, 2019

Meeting Details

Hearing Type Standard

Meeting Record

9:00 AM **Farm to School and Early Childhood Day**

Opal Carney, Student, Green Mountain Technology and Career Center

Emilie Choquette, Student, Green Mountain Technology and Career Center

Faye Mack, Advocacy and Education Director, Hunger Free Vermont

Beth Miller, Community Impact Director, Rutland Parent Child Center

Betsy Rosenbluth, Project Director, Vermont FEED

Sam Rowley, Educator, Green Mountain Technology and Career Center, Hyde Park

Calvin Smith, Student, Green Mountain Technology and Career Center

Remington Vogan-Schneider, Student, Green Mountain Technology and Career Center

Barrett Williams, Principal, Sharon Elementary School

10:00 AM **H.39 - An act relating to the extension of the deadline of school district mergers required by the State Board of Education**

Introduction of new amendment

James DesMarais, Legislative Counsel, Office of Legislative Counsel

Nicole Mace, Executive Director, Vermont School Boards Association

10:30 AM **Governor's Institutes of Vermont**

Christie Cecere, Student, Montpelier High School

Evan Elliott, Student, U-32 High School

Isabel Giamusso, Student, U-32 High School

Karen Taylor Mitchell, Executive Director, Governor's
Institutes of Vermont

Anja Samsom, Student, Montpelier High School

Julian Stoller, Student, Montpelier High School

11:20 AM **H.39 - An act relating to the extension of the deadline of
school district mergers required by the State Board of
Education**

*Committee discussion and vote on Scheuermann
Amendment*

James DesMarais, Legislative Counsel, Office of
Legislative Counsel

12:00 PM **Lunch**

1:00 PM **House Floor**

10 mins **Committee Check-In**
after
Floor

4:15 PM **Adjourn**

Thursday, February 7, 2019

Meeting Details

**Hearing
Type** Standard

Meeting Record

8:45 AM H.140 - An act relating to the State Advisory Panel on Special Education

Walk-through

James DesMarais, Legislative Counsel, Office of
Legislative Counsel

8:55 AM H.140 - An act relating to the State Advisory Panel on Special Education

Rachel Seelig, Staff Attorney, Vermont Legal Aid

9:05 AM H.140 - An act relating to the State Advisory Panel on Special Education

Traci Sawyers, Executive Director, Vermont Council of
Special Education Administrators

9:15 AM Proficiency Based Standards and Grading

Jay Nichols, Executive Director, Vermont Principals'
Association

10:00 AM H.140 - An act relating to the State Advisory Panel on Special Education

Karen Price, Director of Family Support, Vermont Family Network

Rachel Seelig, Staff Attorney, Vermont Legal Aid

10:45 AM Break

11:30 AM Committee Check-In

12:00 PM Lunch

12:45 PM H.39 - An act relating to the extension of the deadline of school district mergers required by the State Board of Education

Walk-through of technical amendment to Conlon-Cupoli-Webb Amendment

James DesMarais, Legislative Counsel, Office of Legislative Counsel

1:00 PM House Floor

3:00 PM Flexible Pathways

Jess DeCarolis, Division Director, Personalization and Flexible Pathways, Agency of Education

Veronica Newton, Work-Based Learning Coordinator, Agency of Education

Yasmine Ziesler, Chief Academic Officer, Vermont State Colleges

3:30 PM H.140 - An act relating to the State Advisory Panel on Special Education

Wendy Morgan, Staff Attorney, Vermont Legal Aid
Rachel Seelig, Staff Attorney, Vermont Legal Aid

4:00 PM H.140 - An act relating to the State Advisory Panel on Special Education

Ted Fisher, Director of Communications and Legislative Affairs, Agency of Education
Troy McAllister, Chair, Special Education Advisory Council
Wendy Morgan, Staff Attorney, Vermont Legal Aid

4:30 PM Adjourn

Friday, February 8, 2019

Meeting Details

Hearing Type Standard

Meeting Record

9:30 AM House Floor

10 mins **Committee Discussion**

**after
Floor**

Bills on the wall

12:00 PM **Lunch**

1:00 PM **Proficiency Based Standards and Grading**

Moses Murphy, Senior Associate Director of
Admissions, University of Vermont

1:30 PM **Centers for Technical Education**

Jay Ramsey, Director, Career and Technical Education,
Agency of Education

2:00 PM **Adjourn**

Tuesday, February 12, 2019

Meeting Details

**Hearing
Type** Standard

Meeting Record

10:00 AM **House Floor**

Caucuses immediately following Floor

- 11:00 AM** **University of Vermont Annual Update**
Thomas Sullivan, President, University of Vermont
- 12:00 PM** **Our Voices Exposed (OVX)**
Alexis Collins, Student, St. Johnsbury Academy
Deborah Lee, School Counselor, St. Johnsbury Academy
Joseph Vineyard, Student, St. Johnsbury Academy
Emelie Ziegler, Student, St. Johnsbury Academy
- 12:15 PM** **Lunch**
- 1:00 PM** **Proficiency Based Standards and Grading**
Donald Tinney, President, Vermont National Education Association
- 1:30 PM** **Agency of Education**
Per pupil count readiness
Brad James, Education Finance Manager, Agency of Education
- 2:00 PM** **H.185 - An act relating to transgender and gender nonconforming student access to gender-segregated school programs, activities, and facilities**
Introduction

Kate Jerman, Citizen
Rep. Barbara Rachelson, Sponsor
Jeane Robles, Citizen

2:45 PM H.138 - An act relating to radon testing in schools

Walk-through

Katie McLinn, Legislative Counsel, Office of Legislative
Counsel

3:15 PM Adjourn

Wednesday, February 13, 2019

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Meeting Record

**11:00 AM H.140 - An act relating to the State Advisory Panel on
Special Education**

Wendy Morgan, Staff Attorney, Vermont Legal Aid
Clare O'Shaughnessy, Staff Attorney, Agency of
Education

Tonya Rutkowski, State Systemic Improvement Plan and
Monitoring Coordinator, Agency of Education

Rachel Seelig, Staff Attorney, Vermont Legal Aid

12:00 PM **Lunch**

1:00 PM **House Floor**

3:00 PM **Agency of Education**

Agency Budget Presentation

Emily Byrne, Chief Financial Officer, Agency of
Education

Daniel French, Secretary, Agency of Education

4:30 PM **Adjourn**

Thursday, February 14, 2019

Meeting Details

**Hearing
Type** Standard

Meeting Record

9:00 AM **Vermont Afterschool**

Orianna Baez, A.I.M. Afterschool Bellows Falls

Olivia Brooks, Student, Vergennes High School

Bradley Kutchukian, Student, Vergennes High School
Holly Morehouse, Executive Director, Vermont
Afterschool, Inc.

Alia Ross, Student, Winooski High School

Grace Waryas, Student, Bellows Fall Middle School

9:30 AM Proficiency Based Standards and Grading

Penny Bishop, Professor and Associate Dean for
Innovation and Technology, College of Education
and Social Services, University of Vermont

**10:00 AM H.140 - An act relating to the State Advisory Panel on
Special Education**

Clare O'Shaughnessy, Staff Attorney, Agency of
Education

Rachel Seelig, Staff Attorney, Vermont Legal Aid

12:00 PM Lunch

1:00 PM House Floor

2:30 PM Vermont Student Assistance Corporation

Scott Giles, President, Vermont Student Assistance
Corporation

3:00 PM TBA

3:30 H.100 - An act relating to assessing the environmental health and safety of school buildings

Introduction

Rep. Maida Townsend, Sponsor

- H.138 - An act relating to radon testing in schools

Introduction

Rep. Maida Townsend, Sponsor

4:00 PM Outright Vermont

Proposed changes to funding

Dana Kaplan, Executive Director, Outright Vermont

Mike McRaith, Principal, Montpelier High School

4:30 PM Adjourn

Friday, February 15, 2019

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Meeting Record

9:30 AM **House Floor**

11:00 AM **H.209 - An act relating to ending the suspension of State aid for school construction projects**

Walk-through

Rebecca Wasserman, Legislative Counsel, Office of Legislative Counsel

11:30 AM **H.140 - An act relating to the State Advisory Panel on Special Education**

Wendy Morgan, Staff Attorney, Vermont Legal Aid

Clare O'Shaughnessy, Staff Attorney, Agency of Education

Miriam Stoll, Chair, Vermont Development Disabilities Council

12:00 PM **Adjourn**

Tuesday, February 19, 2019

Meeting Details

Hearing Type Standard

Meeting Record

10:00 AM **House Floor**

After **Implicit Bias Training**
Floor

*Led by the Vermont Human Rights Commission for the
entire House in the House Chamber*

12:30 PM **Lunch**

1:15 PM **Party Caucuses**

2:00 PM **H.138 - An act relating to radon testing in schools**

Elizabeth Hamlin-Berninger, Director of Advocacy - New
York, Massachusetts, and Vermont, American Lung
Association

2:45 PM **H.140 - An act relating to the State Advisory Panel on
Special Education**

Committee Amendment Walk-through

Luke Martland, Director and Chief Counsel, Office of
Legislative Counsel

Wendy Morgan, Staff Attorney, Vermont Legal Aid

Clare O'Shaughnessy, Staff Attorney, Agency of
Education

4:30 PM **Adjourn**

Wednesday, February 20, 2019

Meeting Details

**Hearing
Type** Standard

Meeting Record

9:00 AM Vermont Afterschool

Lasse Siurala, International Expert on Youth Culture

9:45 AM H.138 - An act relating to radon testing in schools

Peter Crowley, President, CZ Environmental Solutions

10:45 AM Outright Vermont

Appropriation for continued programming

Mara Iverson, Director of Education, Outright Vermont

Dana Kaplan, Executive Director, Outright Vermont

11:15 AM H. - An act relating to the closing of postsecondary schools

Walk-through

James DesMarais, Legislative Counsel, Office of
Legislative Counsel

11:30 AM H.138 - An act relating to radon testing in schools

Shayla Livingston, Public Health Policy Advisor,
Department of Health

12:00 PM **Lunch**

1:00 PM **House Floor**

Adjourn immediately following Floor

Thursday, February 21, 2019

Meeting Details

**Hearing
Type** Standard

Meeting Record

9:00 AM **Committee Check-In**

10:30 AM **Election of Sergeant at Arms, Adjutant and Inspector
General, and Trustees of UVM and State Agricultural
College**

Joint Assembly

12:00 PM **Lunch**

1:00 PM **House Floor**

Adjourn immediately following Floor

Friday, February 22, 2019

Meeting Details

**Hearing
Type** Standard

Meeting Record

9:00 AM **H.140 - An act relating to the State Advisory Panel on
Special Education**

Troy McAllister, Chair, Special Education Advisory
Council

Wendy Morgan, Staff Attorney, Vermont Legal Aid

Clare O'Shaughnessy, Staff Attorney, Agency of
Education

Rachel Seelig, Staff Attorney, Vermont Legal Aid

9:30 AM **House Floor**

**10 mins
after
Floor** **H.140 - An act relating to the State Advisory Panel on
Special Education**

Susan Aranoff, Senior Planner and Policy Analyst,
Vermont Developmental Disabilities Council

Troy McAllister, Chair, Special Education Advisory
Council

Clare O'Shaughnessy, Staff Attorney, Agency of
Education

- **Harvard Kennedy School of Government**

Nodira Meliboeva, Student, Harvard Kennedy School of
Government

Grace Palmer, Student, Harvard Kennedy School of
Government

Kesha Ram, Student, Harvard Kennedy School of
Government

Eva Rosenberg, Student, Harvard Kennedy School of
Government

Katie Stenclik, Student, Harvard Kennedy School of
Government

**10:30 AM H.140 - An act relating to the State Advisory Panel on
Special Education**

Committee Amendment Walk-through and possible vote

Luke Martland, Director and Chief Counsel, Office of
Legislative Counsel

Troy McAllister, Chair, Special Education Advisory
Council

Clare O'Shaughnessy, Staff Attorney, Agency of
Education

Karen Price, Director of Family Support, Vermont Family
Network

Rachel Seelig, Staff Attorney, Vermont Legal Aid

11:15 AM **Committee Discussion**

Vermont NEA "I am from here" video viewing

Rep. Sarah "Sarita" Austin

12:00 PM **Lunch**

12:30 PM **H.140 - An act relating to the State Advisory Panel on Special Education**

Committee Amendment Walk-through and vote

James DesMarais, Legislative Counsel, Office of Legislative Counsel

12:45 PM **Committee Check-In**

Ted Fisher, Director of Communications and Legislative Affairs, Agency of Education

1:30 PM **Adjourn**

Tuesday, February 26, 2019

Meeting Details

Hearing Type Standard

Meeting Record

10:00 AM **House Floor**

Caucuses immediately following Floor

10 mins **H.295 - An act relating to increasing the term of office**
after **for the clerk and treasurer of a union school district and**
Caucuses **a unified union district**

Introduction and walk-through

James DesMarais, Legislative Counsel, Office of
Legislative Counsel

Rep. James Gregoire, Sponsor of Amendment

- **Budget Discussion**

Ted Fisher, Director of Communications and Legislative
Affairs, Agency of Education

Matt Levin, Executive Director, Early Childhood
Advocacy Alliance

Amy Shollenberger, Lobbyist, Vermont Farm to School
Network

12:00 PM **Lunch**

1:00 PM **S.40 - An act relating to testing and remediation of lead**
in the drinking water of schools and child care facilities

Introduction

Sen. Philip Baruth, Chair, Senate Education Committee

Sen. Brian Champion, Sponsor

Jeffrey Francis, Executive Director, Vermont
Superintendents Association

1:30 PM Vermont National Education Association

Perspectives from the classroom

Lauren Buck, Teacher, Spaulding High School, Barre

Karen Chitambar, Teacher, North Country Union High
School, Newport

Betsy Nolan, Teacher, Edmunds Elementary School,
Burlington

Tom Payeur, Teacher, Winooski High School

Donald Tinney, President, Vermont National Education
Association

2:00 PM Vermont Association of School Business Officials

Emily Byrne, Chief Financial Officer, Agency of
Education

Brenda Fleming, Former President, Vermont
Association of School Business Officials, WCSU

Brittany Gilman, Business Manager, Addison Central
School District

Frank Rucker, President, Vermont Association of School
Business Officials, WCSU

**2:30 PM S.40 - An act relating to testing and remediation of lead
in the drinking water of schools and child care facilities**

Molly Costanza-Robinson, Professor of Environmental
Chemistry, Middlebury College

David Englander, General Counsel, Vermont

Department of Health

Brittany Gilman, Business Manager, Addison Central
School District

Mark Levine, Commissioner, Vermont Department of
Health

Elena Mihaly, Attorney, Conservation Law Foundation

Bryan Redmond, Director, Drinking Water and
Groundwater Protection Division, Department of
Environmental Conservation

4:30 PM Adjourn

Wednesday, February 27, 2019

Meeting Details

**Hearing
Type** Standard

Meeting Record

9:00 AM Regional Educational Television Network

Introduction

Jess Wilson, Executive Director, Regional Educational
Television Network

9:15 AM

H. - An act relating to the closing of postsecondary schools

Emily Simmons, General Counsel, Agency of Education

Susan Stitely, President, Association of Vermont
Independent Colleges

10:00 AM Agency of Education Staffing Levels

*Joint Hearing with House Government Operations
Committee*

Rebecca Agile, Vermont State Employees Association

Heather Bouchey, Deputy Secretary, Agency of
Education

Margaret Carrera-Bly, Vermont State Employees
Association

Jeff Fannon, Executive Director, Vermont National
Education Association

Jeffrey Francis, Executive Director, Vermont
Superintendents Association

Daniel French, Secretary, Agency of Education

Nicole Mace, Executive Director, Vermont School
Boards Association

Jay Nichols, Executive Director, Vermont Principals'
Association

Sigrid Olson, Technology Integration, Vermont State
Employees Association

Traci Sawyers, Executive Director, Vermont Council of
Special Education Administrators

12:00 PM Lunch

1:00 PM **House Floor**

10 mins **Disability Awareness Day**

**after
Floor**

Katie Ballard, Parent, Vermont Coalition for Disability Rights

2:00 PM **S.40 - An act relating to testing and remediation of lead in the drinking water of schools and child care facilities**

Walk-through and testimony

Stephanie Barrett, Associate Fiscal Officer, Joint Fiscal Office

David Englander, General Counsel, Vermont Department of Health

Elena Mihaly, Attorney, Conservation Law Foundation

Michael O'Grady, Deputy Chief Counsel, Office of Legislative Counsel

Bryan Redmond, Director, Drinking Water and Groundwater Protection Division, Department of Environmental Conservation

4:30 PM **Adjourn**

Thursday, February 28, 2019

Meeting Details

**Hearing
Type** Standard

Meeting Record

9:00 AM Vermont Adult Learning

High School Completion Program Test

Lori Brown, Windsor County Regional Director, Vermont
Adult Learning

Hal Cohen, Executive Director, Vermont Adult Learning

Ted Fisher, Director of Communications and Legislative
Affairs, Agency of Education

Thomas Longstreth, Executive Director, ReSOURCE

Elisabeth Woronzoff, High School Completion Plan
Manager and Teacher, Vermont Adult Learning

10:30 AM Budget Discussion

James DesMarais, Legislative Counsel, Office of
Legislative Counsel

Brad James, Education Finance Manager, Agency of
Education

11:00 AM Agency of Education

Equalized Pupils

Brad James, Education Finance Manager, Agency of
Education

12:00 PM **Lunch**

1:00 PM **House Floor**

10 mins **Budget Discussion**
after
Floor

James DesMarais, Legislative Counsel, Office of
Legislative Counsel

Ted Fisher, Director of Communications and Legislative
Affairs, Agency of Education

Jeffrey Francis, Executive Director, Vermont
Superintendents Association

Nicole Mace, Executive Director, Vermont School
Boards Association

Holly Morehouse, Executive Director, Vermont
Afterschool, Inc.

2:00 PM **H. - An act relating to the closing of postsecondary
schools**

Emily Simmons, General Counsel, Agency of Education

Susan Stitely, President, Association of Vermont
Independent Colleges

Chris Winters, Deputy Secretary, Secretary of State's
Office

2:45 PM **Budget Discussion**

James DesMarais, Legislative Counsel, Office of
Legislative Counsel

3:15 PM **H. - An act relating to the closing of postsecondary schools**

Patricia Coates, Director of Government and External Affairs, Vermont State Colleges

3:30 PM **Committee Discussion and Planning**

4:00 PM **Adjourn**

Friday, March 1, 2019

Meeting Details

Hearing Type Standard

Meeting Record

9:00 AM **H. - An act relating to the closing of postsecondary schools**

Krista Huling, Chair, State Board of Education
Susan Stitely, President, Association of Vermont Independent Colleges

9:30 AM **House Floor**

11:00 AM

H.521 - An act relating to amending the special education laws

Walk-through and testimony

Emily Byrne, Chief Financial Officer, Agency of Education

James DesMarais, Legislative Counsel, Office of Legislative Counsel

Emily Simmons, General Counsel, Agency of Education

12:00 PM Lunch

12:30 PM H. - An act relating to the closing of postsecondary schools

Mark-up and possible vote

James DesMarais, Legislative Counsel, Office of Legislative Counsel

Emily Simmons, General Counsel, Agency of Education

Susan Stitely, President, Association of Vermont Independent Colleges

1:00 PM S.40 - An act relating to testing and remediation of lead in the drinking water of schools and child care facilities

Jeffrey Francis, Executive Director, Vermont Superintendents Association

Daniel French, Secretary, Agency of Education

2:15 PM Joint Fiscal Office

Walk-through of Town Meeting reports

Mark Perrault, Senior Fiscal Analyst, Joint Fiscal Office

2:30 PM Adjourn

Tuesday, March 5, 2019

Meeting Details

Hearing Type	Standard
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Meeting Record

- **No Committee Meetings Scheduled**

The General Assembly is on break for Town Meeting Day week

Tuesday, March 12, 2019

Meeting Details

Hearing Type	Standard
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Meeting Record

10:00 AM **House Floor**

Caucuses during Floor

12:00 PM **H.209 - An act relating to ending the suspension of State aid for school construction projects**

Walk-through of new draft

Rebecca Wasserman, Legislative Counsel, Office of
Legislative Counsel

12:30 PM **Lunch**

1:00 PM **Agency of Education**

Adult High School Completion Program

Robin Castle, Education Programs Manager and State
Director of Adult Education and Literacy, Agency of
Education

Jess DeCarolis, Division Director, Student Pathways,
Agency of Education

Sharon Parker, High School Completion Program
Coordinator, Agency of Education

1:45 PM **Habitat for Humanity**

Debbie Goodwin, Executive Director, Central Vermont
Habitat for Humanity

2:00 PM **H.521 - An act relating to amending the special education laws**

Testimony and possible vote

Meagan Roy, Chair, Census-Based Funding Advisory Group

Traci Sawyers, Executive Director, Vermont Council of Special Education Administrators

- **H. - An act relating to the closing of postsecondary schools**

Testimony and possible vote

Paul Burns, Executive Director, Vermont Public Interest Research Group

Erin Elliot, Manager, Solutions Engineer, Parchment

Jeff Fannon, Executive Director, Vermont National Education Association

Ted Fisher, Director of Communications and Legislative Affairs, Agency of Education

Jeffrey Francis, Executive Director, Vermont Superintendents Association

Philip Mason, National Sales Manager Services Product Owner and Solutions Engineer, Parchment

Joseph Piazza, Services Product Owner and Solutions Engineer, Parchment

Bryan Redmond, Director, Drinking Water and Groundwater Protection Division, Department of Environmental Conservation

3:00 PM H.302 - An act relating to testing and remediation of lead in drinking water of schools

Walk-through and comparison to S.40

David Englander, General Counsel, Vermont

Department of Health

Michael O'Grady, Deputy Chief Counsel, Office of
Legislative Counsel

Bryan Redmond, Director, Drinking Water and
Groundwater Protection Division, Department of
Environmental Conservation

4:30 PM **Adjourn**

Wednesday, March 13, 2019

Meeting Details

**Hearing
Type** Standard

Meeting Record

9:00 AM **H.3 - An act relating to ethnic and social equity studies
standards for public schools**

Mark-up of Senate Proposal of Amendment

James DesMarais, Legislative Counsel, Office of
Legislative Counsel

Ted Fisher, Director of Communications and Legislative
Affairs, Agency of Education

- **Small Schools Grants**

James DesMarais, Legislative Counsel, Office of
Legislative Counsel

James DesMarais, Legislative Counsel, Office of
Legislative Counsel

James DesMarais, Legislative Counsel, Office of
Legislative Counsel

Ted Fisher, Director of Communications and Legislative
Affairs, Agency of Education

Ted Fisher, Director of Communications and Legislative
Affairs, Agency of Education

Ted Fisher, Director of Communications and Legislative
Affairs, Agency of Education

Brad James, Education Finance Manager, Agency of
Education

Traci Sawyers, Executive Director, Vermont Council of
Special Education Administrators

Rep. David Yacovone, Lamoille-Washington

10:55 AM **10 Minute Break**

11:05 AM **Committee Check-In**

11:15 AM **Burr and Burton Academy**

Cole Hadlock, Student, Burr and Burton Academy

Jillian Joyce, Student, Burr and Burton Academy

Sage Lalor, Student, Burr and Burton Academy

Evelyn Seidner, Student, Burr and Burton Academy

Brendan Sullivan, Student, Burr and Burton Academy

11:30 AM	Lunch
1:00 PM	House Floor
2:15 PM	Committee Check-In
3:30 PM	Adjourn

Thursday, March 14, 2019

Meeting Details

Hearing Type	Standard
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Meeting Record

8:30 AM	H. - An act relating to the closing of postsecondary schools
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Mark-up and possible vote

James DesMarais, Legislative Counsel, Office of
Legislative Counsel

Tanya Marshall, State Archivist and Chief Records
Officer, Secretary of State's Office

Chris Winters, Deputy Secretary, Secretary of State's
Office

9:00 AM H.209 - An act relating to ending the suspension of State aid for school construction projects

Jennifer Botzojorns, Superintendent, Kingdom East School District

David Epstein, Managing Principal, TruexCullins

Jeff Fannon, Executive Director, Vermont National Education Association

Jeffrey Francis, Executive Director, Vermont Superintendents Association

Sean McMannon, Superintendent, Winooski School District

Beth Pearce, State Treasurer, Office of the State Treasurer

David Young, Superintendent, South Burlington Supervisory District

10:30 AM 10 Minute Break

10:40 AM H.209 - An act relating to ending the suspension of State aid for school construction projects

Emily Byrne, Chief Financial Officer, Agency of Education

David Epstein, Managing Principal, TruexCullins

Daniel French, Secretary, Agency of Education

Jay Nichols, Executive Director, Vermont Principals' Association

10:50 AM H. - An act relating to the closing of postsecondary schools

Emily Byrne, Chief Financial Officer, Agency of
Education

Ted Fisher, Director of Communications and Legislative
Affairs, Agency of Education

12:00 PM **Lunch**

1:00 PM **House Floor**

10 mins **S.40 - An act relating to testing and remediation of lead**
after **in the drinking water of schools and child care facilities**
Floor

Jeffrey Francis, Executive Director, Vermont
Superintendents Association

Julie Moore, Secretary, Agency of Natural Resources

Elizabeth Novotny, General Counsel, Mosaic Learning
Center

4:30 PM **Adjourn**

Friday, March 15, 2019

Meeting Details

Hearing Standard
Type

Meeting Record

8:30 AM S.40 - An act relating to testing and remediation of lead in the drinking water of schools and child care facilities

Stephanie Barrett, Associate Fiscal Officer, Joint Fiscal Office

David Englander, General Counsel, Vermont Department of Health

Ted Fisher, Director of Communications and Legislative Affairs, Agency of Education

9:30 AM House Floor

10 mins after Floor H. - An act relating to the closing of postsecondary schools

Mark-up and possible vote

James DesMarais, Legislative Counsel, Office of Legislative Counsel

Ted Fisher, Director of Communications and Legislative Affairs, Agency of Education

Chris Winters, Deputy Secretary, Secretary of State's Office

- S.40 - An act relating to testing and remediation of lead in the drinking water of schools and child care facilities

James Condos, Vermont Secretary of State

James DesMarais, Legislative Counsel, Office of Legislative Counsel

David Englander, General Counsel, Vermont Department of Health

David Englander, General Counsel, Vermont

Department of Health

Richard Kenney, Chief Water System Operator, Hartford

Tanya Marshall, State Archivist and Chief Records

Officer, Secretary of State's Office

Elena Mihaly, Attorney, Conservation Law Foundation

Elizabeth Novotny, General Counsel, Mosaic Learning

Center

Bryan Redmond, Director, Drinking Water and

Groundwater Protection Division, Department of

Environmental Conservation

Bryan Redmond, Director, Drinking Water and

Groundwater Protection Division, Department of

Environmental Conservation

Susan Stitely, President, Association of Vermont

Independent Colleges

12:00 PM

Lunch

1:00 PM

H. - An act relating to the closing of postsecondary schools

Committee check-in

2:00 PM

S.40 - An act relating to testing and remediation of lead in the drinking water of schools and child care facilities

Elena Mihaly, Attorney, Conservation Law Foundation

Elizabeth Novotny, General Counsel, Mosaic Learning

Center

Michael O'Grady, Deputy Chief Counsel, Office of
Legislative Counsel

3:30 PM Adjourn

Tuesday, March 19, 2019

Meeting Details

**Hearing
Type** Standard

Meeting Record

10:00 AM House Floor

12:00 PM Lunch

1:00 PM House Floor

Caucuses immediately following Floor

**10 mins
after
Caucuses** **S.40 - An act relating to testing and remediation of lead
in the drinking water of schools and child care facilities**

Rep. Charles Conquest, Liaison, House Committee on
Appropriations

Michael Desrochers, Executive Director of Fire
Management, Department of Public Safety

David Englander, General Counsel, Vermont
Department of Health

Ted Fisher, Director of Communications and Legislative
Affairs, Agency of Education

Jeffrey Francis, Executive Director, Vermont
Superintendents Association

Bruce MacIntire, Director of Facilities, Addison Central
School District

Elizabeth Novotny, General Counsel, Mosaic Learning
Center

Bryan Redmond, Director, Drinking Water and
Groundwater Protection Division, Department of
Environmental Conservation

Lyall Smith, Facilities Director, Williston Schools,
Champlain Valley School District

Ken Sullivan, Director of Buildings, Grounds, and Safety,
Addison Northwest School District

4:45 PM Adjourn

Wednesday, March 20, 2019

Meeting Details

Hearing Type	Standard
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Meeting Record

9:00 AM **S.40 - An act relating to testing and remediation of lead in the drinking water of schools and child care facilities**

Testimony and possible vote

Ted Fisher, Director of Communications and Legislative Affairs, Agency of Education

Nicole Mace, Executive Director, Vermont School Boards Association

Reeva Murphy, Deputy Commissioner, Child Development Division, Department for Children and Families

10:00 AM **15 Minute Break**

10:15 AM **S.40 - An act relating to testing and remediation of lead in the drinking water of schools and child care facilities**

Committee discussion

David Englander, General Counsel, Vermont Department of Health

Jeffrey Francis, Executive Director, Vermont Superintendents Association

Elizabeth Novotny, General Counsel, Mosaic Learning Center

Michael O'Grady, Deputy Chief Counsel, Office of Legislative Counsel

Bryan Redmond, Director, Drinking Water and Groundwater Protection Division, Department of Environmental Conservation

- **The Compass School**

Student Introductions

Abigail Ham, Student, Lyndon Institute

Chandre Pero, Student, The Compass School

12:00 PM **Lunch**

1:00 PM **House Floor**

10 mins **Committee Check-In**
after
Floor

Thursday, March 21, 2019

Meeting Details

Hearing Standard
Type

Meeting Record

9:00 AM **S.40 - An act relating to testing and remediation of lead
in the drinking water of schools and child care facilities**

David Englander, General Counsel, Vermont
Department of Health

Ted Fisher, Director of Communications and Legislative
Affairs, Agency of Education

Jeffrey Francis, Executive Director, Vermont
Superintendents Association

Nicole Mace, Executive Director, Vermont School
Boards Association

Elena Mihaly, Attorney, Conservation Law Foundation

Elizabeth Novotny, General Counsel, Mosaic Learning
Center

Bryan Redmond, Director, Drinking Water and
Groundwater Protection Division, Department of
Environmental Conservation

- **10 Minute Break**

David Englander, General Counsel, Vermont
Department of Health

Ted Fisher, Director of Communications and Legislative
Affairs, Agency of Education

Jeffrey Francis, Executive Director, Vermont
Superintendents Association

Nicole Mace, Executive Director, Vermont School
Boards Association

Elena Mihaly, Attorney, Conservation Law Foundation

Elizabeth Novotny, General Counsel, Mosaic Learning
Center

Michael O'Grady, Deputy Chief Counsel, Office of
Legislative Counsel

Bryan Redmond, Director, Drinking Water and
Groundwater Protection Division, Department of
Environmental Conservation

12:00 PM **Lunch**

1:00 PM **House Floor**

**10 mins
after
Floor** **S.40 - An act relating to testing and remediation of lead
in the drinking water of schools and child care facilities**

Ted Fisher, Director of Communications and Legislative
Affairs, Agency of Education

Friday, March 22, 2019

Meeting Details

**Hearing
Type** Standard

Meeting Record

8:30 AM **H.536 - An act relating to education finance**

Jeffrey Francis, Executive Director, Vermont
Superintendents Association

Peter Griffin, Legislative Counsel, Office of Legislative
Counsel

Brad James, Education Finance Manager, Agency of
Education

Nicole Mace, Executive Director, Vermont School
Boards Association

Mark Perrault, Senior Fiscal Analyst, Joint Fiscal Office

9:30 AM **House Floor**

12:00 PM **Lunch**

1:00 PM **S.40 - An act relating to testing and remediation of lead
in the drinking water of schools and child care facilities**

Mark-up

Ted Fisher, Director of Communications and Legislative
Affairs, Agency of Education

Jeffrey Francis, Executive Director, Vermont
Superintendents Association

Elena Mihaly, Attorney, Conservation Law Foundation

Michael O'Grady, Deputy Chief Counsel, Office of
Legislative Counsel

Bryan Redmond, Director, Drinking Water and
Groundwater Protection Division, Department of
Environmental Conservation

- **Adjourn**

Tuesday, March 26, 2019

Meeting Details

**Hearing
Type** Standard

Meeting Record

10:00 AM **House Floor**
Caucuses immediately following Floor

12:00 PM **Lunch**

1:00 PM **House Floor**

- **Adjourn**

Wednesday, March 27, 2019

Meeting Details

**Hearing
Type** Standard

Meeting Record

8:30 AM **S.40 - An act relating to testing and remediation of lead in the drinking water of schools and child care facilities**
Mark-up and possible vote

Stephanie Barrett, Associate Fiscal Officer, Joint Fiscal Office

Jen Duggan, Vice President/Director, Conservation Law Foundation

Ted Fisher, Director of Communications and Legislative Affairs, Agency of Education

Jeffrey Francis, Executive Director, Vermont Superintendents Association

Elizabeth Novotny, General Counsel, Mosaic Learning Center

Michael O'Grady, Deputy Chief Counsel, Office of Legislative Counsel

Bryan Redmond, Director, Drinking Water and Groundwater Protection Division, Department of Environmental Conservation

10:30 AM Retention of Superior Judges and Magistrates

Joint Assembly

- Lunch

David Englander, General Counsel, Vermont Department of Health

1:45 PM House Floor

Thursday, March 28, 2019

Meeting Details

**Hearing
Type** Standard

Meeting Record

9:00 AM **H.39 - An act relating to the extension of the deadline of school district mergers required by the State Board of Education**

As Passed by the Senate

James DesMarais, Legislative Counsel, Office of
Legislative Counsel

10:00 AM **House Floor**

12:00 PM **Lunch**

*Vermont Superintendents Association, Capitol Plaza
Hotel*

1:00 PM **House Floor**

- **Adjourn**

Friday, March 29, 2019

Meeting Details

**Hearing
Type** Standard

Meeting Record

8:00 AM **S.40 - An act relating to testing and remediation of lead in the drinking water of schools and child care facilities**

Mark-up and possible vote

David Englander, General Counsel, Vermont
Department of Health

Ted Fisher, Director of Communications and Legislative
Affairs, Agency of Education

Jeffrey Francis, Executive Director, Vermont
Superintendents Association

Sarah Kenney, Senior Director of Policy, Let's Grow Kids
Elizabeth Novotny, General Counsel, Mosaic Learning
Center

Michael O'Grady, Deputy Chief Counsel, Office of
Legislative Counsel

Bryan Redmond, Director, Drinking Water and
Groundwater Protection Division, Department of
Environmental Conservation

9:30 AM **House Floor**

12:15 PM **Lunch**

1:00 PM

H.185 - An act relating to transgender and gender nonconforming student access to gender-segregated school programs, activities, and facilities

Jamie Atchinson, Student, Harwood Union High School

Hunter Drown-Mansfield, Student, Northfield Middle-High School

Ash Engelsman, Student, Randolph Union High School

Dana Kaplan, Executive Director, Outright Vermont

Maggie Nadean, Student, Bellows Free Academy, Fairfax

Rep. Barbara Rachelson, Sponsor, House Committee on Judiciary

Jeane Robles, Citizen

Andi Tisdell, Student, Peoples Academy

1:45 PM S.40 - An act relating to testing and remediation of lead in the drinking water of schools and child care facilities

Patricia Komline, Lobbyist, Vermont Independent Schools Association

2:00 PM Adjourn

Tuesday, April 2, 2019

Meeting Details

Hearing Type Standard

Meeting Record

10:00 AM **House Floor**

Caucuses immediately following Floor

**10 mins
after
Caucus** **S.40 - An act relating to testing and remediation of lead
in the drinking water of schools and child care facilities**

Committee discussion

12:00 PM **Lunch**

12:30 PM **S.40 - An act relating to testing and remediation of lead
in the drinking water of schools and child care facilities**

Mark-up and possible vote

Michael O'Grady, Deputy Chief Counsel, Office of
Legislative Counsel

1:00 PM **Proficiency Based Standards and Grading**

Natalie Bates, Student, Bellows Free Academy, Fairfax
Helen Beattie, Executive Director, UP for Learning
Kiana Labor, Student, Bellows Free Academy, Fairfax
Aidan Lodge, Student, Peoples Academy

- **10 Minute Break**

2:00 PM **H.39 - An act relating to the extension of the deadline of school district mergers required by the State Board of Education**

Jeffrey Francis, Executive Director, Vermont
Superintendents Association

Brad James, Education Finance Manager, Agency of
Education

Nicole Mace, Executive Director, Vermont School
Boards Association

Emily Simmons, General Counsel, Agency of Education

4:00 PM **Adjourn**

Capital Plaza Hotel, Montpelier Room

Wednesday, April 3, 2019

Meeting Details

Hearing Type	Standard
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Meeting Record

9:00 AM **S.40 - An act relating to testing and remediation of lead in the drinking water of schools and child care facilities**

Vote

David Englander, General Counsel, Vermont
Department of Health

9:30 AM Student-to-Staff Ratio Report

Brad James, Education Finance Manager, Agency of
Education

Tammy Kolbe, Ph.D., Assistant Professor, Educational
Leadership and Policy Studies, College of Education
and Social Services, University of Vermont

Nicole Mace, Executive Director, Vermont School
Boards Association

Jay Nichols, Executive Director, Vermont Principals'
Association

- **Proficiency Based Standards and Grading**

Brad James, Education Finance Manager, Agency of
Education

Andrew Jones, Director of Curriculum, Mill River Unified
Union School District

Tammy Kolbe, Ph.D., Assistant Professor, Educational
Leadership and Policy Studies, College of Education
and Social Services, University of Vermont

12:00 PM Lunch

1:00 PM House Floor

**10 mins
after
Floor** **S.164 - An act relating to miscellaneous changes to
education law**

James DesMarais, Legislative Counsel, Office of
Legislative Counsel

2:10 PM **Adjourn**

Thursday, April 4, 2019

Meeting Details

**Hearing
Type** Standard

Meeting Record

9:00 AM **School Nutrition Day**

Robert Hildebrand, President, School Nutrition
Association of Vermont
Anore Horton, Executive Director, Hunger Free Vermont

9:30 AM **S.164 - An act relating to miscellaneous changes to
education law**

Sen. Ruth Hardy, Sponsor

10:00 AM **Interstate Merger**

Ted Fisher, Director of Communications and Legislative
Affairs, Agency of Education

Cynthia Lamore, School Board Chair, Stamford
Elementary School

Kimberly Roberts-Morandi, Interstate Committee
Member

Rep. Laura Sibilia, Windham-Bennington

- **Break**

11:00 AM Committee Check-In

Ted Fisher, Director of Communications and Legislative
Affairs, Agency of Education

Jeffrey Francis, Executive Director, Vermont
Superintendents Association

Nicole Mace, Executive Director, Vermont School
Boards Association

12:00 PM Lunch

1:00 PM House Floor

Friday, April 5, 2019

Meeting Details

**Hearing
Type** Standard

Meeting Record

9:30 AM **House Floor**

- **Lunch**

1:00 PM **Teacher Licensure**

Patrick Halladay, Interim Division Director for Education
Quality, Agency of Education

Erik Remmers, Chair, Vermont Standards Board for
Professional Educators

1:30 PM **Adjourn**

Tuesday, April 9, 2019

Meeting Details

**Hearing
Type** Standard

Meeting Record

10:00 AM **House Floor**

Caucuses immediately following Floor

- **Lunch**

Patricia Coates, Director of Government and External Affairs, Vermont State Colleges

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Jeffrey Francis, Executive Director, Vermont Superintendents Association

Susan Stitely, President, Association of Vermont Independent Colleges

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12:45 PM

S.164 - An act relating to miscellaneous changes to education law

Rep. Selene Colburn, Sponsor, Burlington

Jeff Nolan, Higher Education and Consultant, Dinse, Knapp & McAndrew, P.C.

Wednesday, April 10, 2019

Meeting Details

Hearing Type	Standard
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Meeting Record

9:00 AM S.164 - An act relating to miscellaneous changes to education law

Pat Moulton , President, Vermont Technical College

Sydney Ovitt, Student, University of Vermont

Sarah Robinson, Deputy Director, Vermont Network
Against Domestic & Sexual Violence

Sally Short, Chair, University of Vermont Student
Government Association Committee on Sexual
Assault

10:00 AM 10 Minute Break

- **S.164 - An act relating to miscellaneous changes to education law**

Emily Byrne, Chief Financial Officer, Agency of
Education

Rep. Peter J. Fagan, Sponsor, House Committee on
Appropriations

Jeffrey Francis, Executive Director, Vermont
Superintendents Association

Nicole Mace, Executive Director, Vermont School
Boards Association

Emily Simmons, General Counsel, Agency of Education

Emily Simmons, General Counsel, Agency of Education

12:00 PM Lunch

1:00 PM House Floor

2:00 PM **Small Schools Grants**

Krista Huling, Chair, State Board of Education

Thursday, April 11, 2019

Meeting Details

**Hearing
Type** Standard

Meeting Record

9:00 AM **H.209 - An act relating to ending the suspension of State aid for school construction projects**

Nicole Mace, Executive Director, Vermont School Boards Association

Rebecca Wasserman, Legislative Counsel, Office of Legislative Counsel

- **S.164 - An act relating to miscellaneous changes to education law**

Matthew Valerio, Defender General, Vermont Defender General's Office

12:00 PM **Lunch**

1:00 PM **House Floor**

**10 mins
after
Floor** **S.164 - An act relating to miscellaneous changes to
education law**

Taite Shomo, Co-Organizer, It Happens Here,
Middlebury College

Grace Vedock, Co-Organizer, It Happens Here,
Middlebury College

2:30 PM **S.164 - An act relating to miscellaneous changes to
education law**

Wendy Koenig, Federal Relations and Legislative
Liaison, University of Vermont

4:30 PM **Adjourn**

Friday, April 12, 2019

Meeting Details

**Hearing
Type** Standard

Meeting Record

9:30 AM **House Floor**

**10 mins
after
Floor**

S.164 - An act relating to miscellaneous changes to education law

Charity Clark, Chief of Staff, Office of Vermont Attorney General

James DesMarais, Legislative Counsel, Office of Legislative Counsel

- H.548 - An act relating to supervisory union realignment under Act 46

Rep. Cynthia Browning, Sponsor of Bill, Arlington

12:00 PM

Lunch

1:00 PM

S.164 - An act relating to miscellaneous changes to education law

Peter Amons, Business Manager, Rutland City School District

Edie Cole, Business Manager, Windham Northeast Supervisory Union

Therese Corsones, Executive Director, Vermont Bar Association

Adam Greshin, Commissioner, Department of Finance & Management

James Pepper, Deputy State's Attorney, Department of State's Attorneys & Sheriffs

Frank Rucker, President, Vermont Association of School Business Officials

Tuesday, April 16, 2019

Meeting Details

**Hearing
Type** Standard

Meeting Record

10:00 AM **House Floor**
Caucuses immediately following Floor

12:00 PM **Lunch**

1:00 PM **S.164 - An act relating to miscellaneous changes to education law**

Suggestion of amendment

Rep. Robin Chesnut-Tangerman, Sponsor of amendment, Rutland-Bennington

James DesMarais, Legislative Counsel, Office of Legislative Counsel

Julie Mach, School Board Member, Mettawee School District

1:30 PM **Universal PreK Research Partnership Study**

Kyle DeMeo, Senior Research Associate, Regional Educational Laboratory Northeast and Islands at Education Development Center

Clare Irwin, Senior Research Associate, Regional
Educational Laboratory Northeast and Islands at
Education Development Center

- **10 Minute Break**

**2:45 PM S.164 - An act relating to miscellaneous changes to
education law**

James DesMarais, Legislative Counsel, Office of
Legislative Counsel

Ted Fisher, Director of Communications and Legislative
Affairs, Agency of Education

Jeffrey Francis, Executive Director, Vermont
Superintendents Association

Nicole Mace, Executive Director, Vermont School
Boards Association

Wednesday, April 17, 2019

Meeting Details

Hearing Type	Standard
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Meeting Record

- **No morning meetings scheduled**

2:30 PM

House Floor

Thursday, April 18, 2019

Meeting Details

**Hearing
Type** Standard

Meeting Record

9:00 AM **S.164 - An act relating to miscellaneous changes to education law**

Section 5

Tricia Coates, Director of External & Governmental Affairs, Vermont State Colleges

9:30 AM **H.209 - An act relating to ending the suspension of State aid for school construction projects**

Rep. Terence Macaig, House Committee on Institutions and Corrections

Rebecca Wasserman, Legislative Counsel, Office of Legislative Counsel

10:00 AM **S.164 - An act relating to miscellaneous changes to education law**

James DesMarais, Legislative Counsel, Office of
Legislative Counsel

Ted Fisher, Director of Communications and Legislative
Affairs, Agency of Education

12:00 PM	Lunch
1:00 PM	House Floor
10 mins after Floor	Committee Check-In
-	Adjourn

Friday, April 19, 2019

Meeting Details

Hearing Type	Standard
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Meeting Record

9:30 AM	House Floor
10:00 AM	H.209 - An act relating to ending the suspension of State aid for school construction projects

David Epstein, Managing Principal, TruexCullins
Ted Fisher, Director of Communications and Legislative
Affairs, Agency of Education

Jeffrey Francis, Executive Director, Vermont
Superintendents Association

Rep. Terence Macaig, House Committee on Institutions
and Corrections

Nicole Mace, Executive Director, Vermont School
Boards Association

Rebecca Wasserman, Legislative Counsel, Office of
Legislative Counsel

**11:00 AM S.164 - An act relating to miscellaneous changes to
education law**

Jeff Fannon, Executive Director, Vermont National
Education Association

Jeffrey Francis, Executive Director, Vermont
Superintendents Association

Nicole Mace, Executive Director, Vermont School
Boards Association

Jay Nichols, Executive Director, Vermont Principals'
Association

12:00 PM Lunch

1:00 PM Vermont Brain Bee

Introduction

Lisa Bernardin, Coordinator, Vermont Brain Bee

Erik McLysaght, Student, Mount Abraham Unified High School

Isabelle Petrucci, Student, Essex High School

1:30 PM Education Finance

E-Finance System

Edward Connors, Business Manager, Windsor Southeast Supervisory Union

2:00 PM Adjourn

Tuesday, April 23, 2019

Meeting Details

Hearing Type Standard

Meeting Record

10:00 AM House Floor

Caucuses immediately following Floor

12:00 PM Lunch

1:30 PM Pre-Kindergarten Education Legislative Study Report

Daniel French, Secretary, Agency of Education

Erin Huckle, Research Associate, Education
Development Center

Clare Irwin, Senior Research Associate, Education
Development Center

- **15 Minute Break**

3:15 PM S.164 - An act relating to miscellaneous changes to education law

Rep. Janet Ancel, House Committee on Ways and
Means

Samantha Burke, Student, Wells

Rep. Robin Chesnut-Tangerman, Rutland-Bennington

Jess DeCarolis, Division Director, Student Pathways,
Agency of Education

James DesMarais, Legislative Counsel, Office of
Legislative Counsel

Julie Finnegan, Assistant Director, Upward Bound

Rep. Kimberly Jessup, Middlesex

Mark Perrault, Senior Fiscal Analyst, Joint Fiscal Office

Emily Simmons, General Counsel, Agency of Education

Wednesday, April 24, 2019

Meeting Details

**Hearing
Type** Standard

Meeting Record

9:00 AM S.164 - An act relating to miscellaneous changes to education law

James DesMarais, Legislative Counsel, Office of
Legislative Counsel

Jeffrey Francis, Executive Director, Vermont
Superintendents Association

Nicole Mace, Executive Director, Vermont School
Boards Association

9:45 AM Education Finance

E-Finance System

Debra Drew, Business Manager, St. Johnsbury School
District

- **Lunch**

12:00 PM S.40 - An act relating to testing and remediation of lead in the drinking water of schools and child care facilities

David Englander, General Counsel, Vermont
Department of Health

Jeffrey Francis, Executive Director, Vermont
Superintendents Association

Patricia Komline, Lobbyist, Vermont Independent
Schools Association

Michael O'Grady, Deputy Chief Counsel, Office of
Legislative Counsel

Bryan Redmond, Director, Drinking Water and
Groundwater Protection Division, Department of
Environmental Conservation

1:00 PM **House Floor**

Thursday, April 25, 2019

Meeting Details

**Hearing
Type** Standard

Meeting Record

9:00 AM **Education Finance**

E-Finance

Sean Cousino, Education Finance Manager, Agency of
Education

Daniel French, Secretary, Agency of Education

Tim Holland, Project Manager, Agency of Digital
Services

John Quinn, Secretary, Agency of Digital Services

- **Break**

Jeffrey Francis, Executive Director, Vermont
Superintendents Association

Nicole Mace, Executive Director, Vermont School
Boards Association

**11:00 AM H.209 - An act relating to ending the suspension of
State aid for school construction projects**

Rep. Alice M. Emmons, Chair, House Committee on
Corrections and Institutions

Rebecca Wasserman, Legislative Counsel, Office of
Legislative Counsel

12:00 PM Lunch

1:00 PM House Floor

**10 mins S.40 - An act relating to testing and remediation of lead
after in the drinking water of schools and child care facilities
Floor**

David Englander, General Counsel, Vermont
Department of Health

Friday, April 26, 2019

Meeting Details

**Hearing
Type** Standard

Meeting Record

9:30 AM **House Floor**

10:55 AM **S.40 - An act relating to testing and remediation of lead in the drinking water of schools and child care facilities**

Rep. Charles Conquest, Liaison, House Committee on Appropriations

11:00 AM **H.209 - An act relating to ending the suspension of State aid for school construction projects**

Jeffrey Francis, Executive Director, Vermont Superintendents Association

Beth Pearce, State Treasurer, Office of the State Treasurer

- **Adjourn**

Tuesday, April 30, 2019

Meeting Details

**Hearing
Type** Standard

Meeting Record

10:00 AM **House Floor**

Caucuses immediately following Floor

12:00 PM **Lunch**

1:00 PM **H.209 - An act relating to ending the suspension of
State aid for school construction projects**

Rep. Charles "Butch" Shaw, Sponsor, House Committee
on Corrections and Institutions

Rebecca Wasserman, Legislative Counsel, Office of
Legislative Counsel

- **Adjourn**

Wednesday, May 1, 2019

Meeting Details

Hearing Standard
Type

Meeting Record

- **No morning meetings scheduled**

1:00 PM

House Floor

Thursday, May 2, 2019

Meeting Details

**Hearing
Type** Standard

Meeting Record

9:15 AM H.521 - An act relating to amending the special education laws

As Passed by the Senate

James DesMarais, Legislative Counsel, Office of
Legislative Counsel

Ted Fisher, Director of Communications and Legislative
Affairs, Agency of Education

Deb Witkus, Advocate, Greater Falls Connections

- **S.40 - An act relating to testing and remediation of lead in the drinking water of schools and child care facilities**

Proposed amendments

Rep. Thomas Burditt, Sponsor of amendment, House
Committee on Judiciary

David Englander, Senior Policy & Legal Advisor,
Vermont Department of Health

Michael O'Grady, Deputy Chief Counsel, Office of
Legislative Counsel

Rep. Charles "Butch" Shaw, Sponsor of amendment,
House Committee on Corrections and Institutions

1:00 PM **House Floor**

Friday, May 3, 2019

Meeting Details

**Hearing
Type** Standard

Meeting Record

9:30 AM **House Floor**

- **Adjourn**

Tuesday, May 7, 2019

Meeting Details

**Hearing
Type** Standard

Meeting Record

10:00 AM **House Floor**

Caucuses immediately following Floor

- **Lunch**

4:00 PM **H.79 - An act relating to eligibility for farm-to-school grant assistance**

Ted Fisher, Director of Communications and Legislative Affairs, Agency of Education

Jeffrey Francis, Executive Director, Vermont Superintendents Association

Nicole Mace, Executive Director, Vermont School Boards Association

Rep. John O'Brien, House Committee on Agriculture and Forestry

Wednesday, May 8, 2019

Meeting Details

Hearing Type Standard

Meeting Record

8:30 AM

H.521 - An act relating to amending the special education laws

Susan Aranoff, Senior Planner and Policy Analyst,
Vermont Developmental Disabilities Council

Ted Fisher, Director of Communications and Legislative
Affairs, Agency of Education

Troy McAllister, Chair, Special Education Advisory
Council

Wendy Morgan, Staff Attorney, Vermont Legal Aid

- **Break**

9:30 AM H.521 - An act relating to amending the special education laws

Daniel French, Secretary, Agency of Education

Nicole Mace, Executive Director, Vermont School
Boards Association

Traci Sawyers, Executive Director, Vermont Council of
Special Education Administrators

10:30 AM House Floor

4:30 PM House Floor

Thursday, May 9, 2019

Meeting Details

Hearing Type	Standard
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Meeting Record

11:00 AM	H.521 - An act relating to amending the special education laws
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Committee discussion

12:00 PM	Lunch
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1:00 PM	House Floor
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-	Adjourn
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Friday, May 10, 2019

Meeting Details

Hearing Type	Standard
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Meeting Record

8:15 AM	H.521 - An act relating to amending the special education laws
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Meagan Roy, Chair, Census-Based Funding Advisory
Group

9:30 AM **House Floor**

- **Lunch**

1:30 PM **House Floor**

Monday, May 13, 2019

Meeting Details

**Hearing
Type** Standard

Meeting Record

1:00 PM **H.542 - An act relating to making appropriations for the
support of government**

Dual enrollment and the Education Fund

Heather Bouchey, Deputy Secretary, Agency of
Education

Daniel French, Secretary, Agency of Education

Nicole Mace, Executive Director, Vermont School
Boards Association

Chloe Wexler, Fiscal Data Analyst, Joint Fiscal Office

- **H.521 - An act relating to amending the special education laws**

Alena Berube, Special Education Finance Director,
Agency of Education

Ted Fisher, Director of Communications and Legislative
Affairs, Agency of Education

Daniel French, Secretary, Agency of Education

3:00 PM House Floor

Tuesday, May 14, 2019

Meeting Details

Hearing Type Standard

Meeting Record

10:00 AM House Floor

Caucuses immediately following Floor

- **Recess**

3:00 PM House Floor

Wednesday, May 15, 2019

Meeting Details

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Meeting Record

10:00 AM	House Floor
-	Recess

Thursday, May 16, 2019

Meeting Details

Hearing Type	Standard
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Meeting Record

9:30 AM	House Floor
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12:30 PM	House Floor

Friday, May 17, 2019

Meeting Details

Hearing Type	Standard
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Meeting Record

9:30 AM	Committee Check-In
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10:00 AM	House Floor
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1:00 PM	House Floor
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2:30 PM	House Floor
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Wednesday, May 22, 2019

Meeting Details

Hearing Type	Standard
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Meeting Record

10:00 AM **House Floor**

Caucuses immediately following break for recess

- **Recess**

1:00 PM **House Floor**

3:30 PM **House Floor**

Thursday, May 23, 2019

Meeting Details

**Hearing
Type** Standard

Meeting Record

- **House Floor**

Tuesday, January 7, 2020

Meeting Details

**Hearing
Type** Standard

Meeting Record

10:00 AM **House Floor**

Caucuses immediately following Floor

12:00 PM **Lunch**

1:15 PM **Committee Discussion**

2:30 PM **Education Policy Initiatives**

Daniel French, Secretary, Agency of Education

- **Impacts of Education Policy Initiatives on Vermont
School Districts and the Agency of Education**

Bill Bates, Chief Financial Officer, Agency of Education

Daniel French, Secretary, Agency of Education

4:30 PM **Adjourn**

Wednesday, January 8, 2020

Meeting Details

**Hearing
Type** Standard

Meeting Record

9:30 AM Pupil Weighting Factors Report

*Joint Hearing with the House Ways and Means
Committee
Room 10*

Bruce Baker, Professor, Rutgers University
Daniel French, Secretary, Agency of Education
Tammy Kolbe, Associate Professor, Leadership and
Development Sciences, University of Vermont

12:00 PM Lunch

1:00 PM House Floor

4:30 PM Adjourn

Thursday, January 9, 2020

Meeting Details

**Hearing
Type** Standard

Meeting Record

9:00 AM Education Funding

Brad James, Education Finance Manager, Agency of
Education

Mark Perrault, Senior Fiscal Analyst, Joint Fiscal Office

Chloe Wexler, Fiscal Data Analyst, Joint Fiscal Office

10:00 AM Education Tax Rate Letter

Jeff Francis, Executive Director, VT Superintendents
Association

Brad James, Education Finance Manager, Agency of
Education

10:45 AM Weighting Study

Ted Fisher, Director of Communications and Legislative
Affairs, Agency of Education

Brad James, Education Finance Manager, Agency of
Education

Mark Perrault, Senior Fiscal Analyst, Joint Fiscal Office

Chloe Wexler, Fiscal Data Analyst, Joint Fiscal Office

12:00 PM Lunch

1:00 PM House Floor

2:00 PM Governor's State of the State Address

Joint Assembly-House Chamber

4:30 PM Adjourn

Friday, January 10, 2020

Meeting Details

**Hearing
Type** Standard

Meeting Record

9:30 AM **House Floor**

10:30 AM **Data Management and Assessment**

Wendy Geller, Data and Research Director, Agency of
Education

11:00 AM **Annual Snapshot**

Patrick Halladay, Division Director for Education Quality,
Agency of Education

12:00 PM **Lunch**

12:45 PM **Clarifying Legislative Intent**

Rep. Emilie Kornheiser, House Committee on
Commerce and Economic Development

4:30 PM **Adjourn**

Tuesday, January 14, 2020

Meeting Details

**Hearing
Type** Standard

Meeting Record

10:00 AM **House Floor**
Caucuses immediately following Floor

12:00 PM **Lunch**

12:45 PM **"The Science of Reading: What It Means and What It Tells Us About How to Teach Reading"**
Video
Rep. Kathryn Webb, Chair, House Committee on Education

1:45 PM **Governor's FY2020 Proposed Budget Adjustment**
Agency of Education
Bill Bates, Chief Financial Officer, Agency of Education
Kathy Flanagan, Deputy Chief Financial Officer, Agency of Education

Brad James, Education Finance Manager, Agency of
Education

3:00 PM Act 1

Amanda Garces, Director of Policy, Education and
Outreach, Vermont Human Rights Commission

3:30 PM Adjourn

Wednesday, January 15, 2020

Meeting Details

**Hearing
Type** Standard

Meeting Record

7:30 AM Breakfast for the Presidents of the Colleges

Capitol Plaza

9:30 AM Literacy Bills

James DesMarais, Legislative Counsel, Office of
Legislative Counsel

H.406 - An act relating to screening students for dyslexia and ensuring teachers receive training concerning dyslexia

Rep. Felisha Leffler, Sponsor

11:00 AM University of Vermont Annual Update

Suresh Garimella, President, University of Vermont

12:00 PM Lunch

1:00 PM House Floor

2:30 PM Act 66 Update

David Englander, Senior Policy & Legal Advisor,
Vermont Department of Health

Bryan Redmond, Director, Drinking Water and
Groundwater Protection Division, Department of
Environmental Conservation

3:15 PM Data Management and Assessment

Daniel French, Secretary, Agency of Education

Wendy Geller, Data and Research Director, Agency of
Education

Kevin Viani, IT Director, Agency of Education

4:30 PM Adjourn

Thursday, January 16, 2020

Meeting Details

**Hearing
Type** Standard

Meeting Record

9:30 AM Pre-K and Early Education

Joint hearing with the House Committee on Human Services

Room 10

Heather Bouchey, Deputy Secretary, Agency of Education

Morgan Crossman, Building Bright Futures

Clare Irwin, Senior Research Associate, Education Development Center

Melissa Riegel-Garrett, Child Development Division Policy Director, Department for Children and Families

Ken Schatz, Commissioner, Department for Children and Families

12:00 PM Vermont Superintendents Association Lunch

Capitol Plaza Hotel

Montpelier Room

1:00 PM **House Floor**

2:00 PM **Adjourn**

Friday, January 17, 2020

Meeting Details

**Hearing
Type** Standard

Meeting Record

9:30 AM **House Floor**

10:30 AM **Literacy Bills**

Donald Tinney, President, Vermont National Education
Association

12:00 PM **Lunch**

1:00 PM **Education Fund Training**

Mark Perrault, Senior Fiscal Analyst, Joint Fiscal Office
Chloe Wexler, Fiscal Data Analyst, Joint Fiscal Office

2:00 PM **Adjourn**

Tuesday, January 21, 2020

Meeting Details

**Hearing
Type** Standard

Meeting Record

10:00 AM **House Floor**

Caucuses immediately following the Floor

12:00 PM **Lunch**

1:00 PM **Committee Discussion**

Pre-K and Literacy

Sandra Cameron, Director of Policy, Vermont School
Board Association

Sarah Kenney, Senior Director of Policy, Let's Grow Kids

Colin Robinson, Political Director, Vermont National
Education Association

2:00 PM **Governor's FY2021 Budget Address**

Joint Assembly - House Chamber

3:00 PM **Adjourn**

Wednesday, January 22, 2020

Meeting Details

**Hearing
Type** Standard

Meeting Record

9:00 AM **Community College of Vermont**

Update

Joyce Judy, President, Community College of Vermont

9:30 AM **H.935 - An act relating to prekindergarten education**

Walk - through

James DesMarais, Legislative Counsel, Office of
Legislative Counsel

Katie McLinn, Legislative Counsel, Office of Legislative
Counsel

11:00 AM **Advance Vermont**

Presentation

Tom Cheney, Director, Advance Vermont

12:00 PM **Lunch**

1:00 PM **House Floor**

2:30 PM **Literacy Instruction**

Libby Bonesteel, Superintendent of Schools, Montpelier
Roxbury Public Schools

3:25 PM **Literacy Bills**

Katie Ballard, Parent and Special Education Parent
Advocate, Essex

Sandra Chittenden, Parent and Special Education
Parent Advocate, Essex

Jamie Crenshaw, Parent and Special Education Parent
Advocate, Milton

4:30 PM **Adjourn**

Thursday, January 23, 2020

Meeting Details

**Hearing
Type** Standard

Meeting Record

9:00 AM **H.661 - An act relating to increasing special education
State aid for prekindergarten students**

Rep. Carolyn W. Partridge, Sponsor, House Committee
on Agriculture and Forestry

9:15 AM H.935 - An act relating to prekindergarten education

Sandra Cameron, Director of Policy, Vermont School
Board Association

Chelsea Myers, Director of Professional Development
and Communications, Vermont Superintendents
Association

10:00 AM Break

10:15 AM H.935 - An act relating to prekindergarten education

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Sue Ceglowski, Executive Director, Vermont School
Boards Association

Jeff Francis, Executive Director, VT Superintendents
Association

Jay Nichols, Executive Director, Vermont Principals'
Association

Traci Sawyers, Executive Director, Vermont Council of
Special Education Administrators

Jacquelyne Wilson, Superintendent, Bennington-
Rutland Supervisory Union

11:00 AM Literacy Bills

Blanche Podhajski, President, Stern Center for
Language and Learning

12:00 PM **Lunch**

1:00 PM **House Floor**

3:25 PM **Literacy Bills**

Marjorie Lipson, Professor of Education, University of Vermont

4:30 PM **Adjourn**

Friday, January 24, 2020

Meeting Details

Hearing Type Standard

Meeting Record

9:30 AM **House Floor**

11:30 AM **H.707 - An act relating to providing emergency service courses at regional technical centers**

Sarah Buxton, Director, State Workforce Development,
Department of Labor

Rep. William Canfield, Sponsor, Fair Haven

Drew Hazelton, Chief of Operations, Rescue Inc.

12:00 PM **Lunch**

1:00 PM **Literacy Bills**

Kelly Bouteiller, Instructional Coach, Charlotte Central School

Jensa Bushey, District Literacy Leader, Champlain Valley School District

Meagan Roy, Director of Student Support Services, Champlain Valley School District

2:30 PM **Adjourn**

Tuesday, January 28, 2020

Meeting Details

Hearing Type Standard

Meeting Record

9:30 AM **H.804 - An act relating to equitable access to a high-quality education through community schools**

Walk-through

James DesMarais, Legislative Counsel, Office of
Legislative Counsel

Rep. Kathleen James, Sponsor

Colin Robinson, Political Director, Vermont National
Education Association

10:00 AM House Floor

Caucuses immediately following Floor

After the Floor H.709 - An act relating to requiring gender balance on the University of Vermont's Board of Trustees

Wendy Koenig, Federal and State Relations and
Legislative Liaison, University of Vermont

Rep. Mary Sullivan, Sponsor, Burlington

12:00 PM Lunch

1:00 PM Northeast Kingdom Collaborative

Jennifer Botzojorns, Superintendent, Kingdom East
Supervisory Union

Lucy Cannon, Member, Abenaki Nation

Brian Carroll, Director of Student Services, Kingdom
East Supervisory Union

Margaret McLean, Executive Director, Vermont Rural
Education Collaborative

Becca Munkelwitz, Alumni, Northern Vermont University
Individual Students, Burke Town School

Individual Students, Lyndon Town School

Trevor Utton, Student, Northern Vermont University

2:30 PM Literacy Bills

Cynthia Gardner-Morse, Literacy Tutor and Concerned
Citizen, Calais

Mack Gardner-Morse, Concerned Citizen, Taxpayer,
and Voter, Calais

Mark Seidenberg, Professor, University of Wisconsin

4:30 PM Public Hearing on Literacy Bills: H.668, H.669 & H.406

Room 11

Lisa Allen, Parent

Jessica Berry, Special Educator

Andrew Brown, Parent

Hilda Costello, Parent

Melissa Culver, Parent

Jessica Dion, Parent

Dorinne Dorfman, School Administrator

Cynthia Gardner-Morse, Literacy Tutor and Concerned
Citizen, Calais

Mary Grace, Executive Director, Partnerships for
Literacy and Learning

Aniyah Haskins, Student

Joie Lehouillier, Parent

Emily Lesh, Parent

Brittany Lovejoy, Educator

Julie Maskell, Grandparent

Sierra Maskell, Parent

Jessica Millard, Parent
Linda Morin, Parent
Sandy Murphy, Educator
Kara Quinn, Teacher
Caleb Rockcastle, Student
Sheri Rockcastle, Parent
Heather Rodriguez, Parent
Estes Rodriguez, Student
Julia Spaulding, Student
Marylynne Strachan, Parent
Malakai Valgean, Student

6:00 PM Adjourn

Wednesday, January 29, 2020

Meeting Details

**Hearing
Type** Standard

Meeting Record

9:00 AM H.935 - An act relating to prekindergarten education

Meg Baker, Universal Pre-K Coordinator, Addison
County

Janice Stockman, Early Childhood Coordinator,
Windham Southeast Supervisory Union

10:20 AM School Based Mental Health Services

Overview

Tracy Mongeon, Department of Mental Health

Tiffany Moore, Washington County Mental Health
Services

Andrew Ripley, Washington County Mental Health
Services

11:20 AM Literacy Instruction

Beth Cobb, Superintendent, Essex Westford School
District

Ted Fisher, Director of Communications and Legislative
Affairs, Agency of Education

Chelsea Myers, Director of Professional Development
and Communications, Vermont Superintendents
Association

Jackie Tolman, Director of Learning and Instructional
Impact, Essex Westford School District

12:00 PM H.935 - An act relating to prekindergarten education

Colin Robinson, Political Director, Vermont National
Education Association

12:15 PM Lunch

1:00 PM House Floor

After the Floor **H.935 - An act relating to prekindergarten education**
Committee Discussion

3:00 PM **Adjourn**

Thursday, January 30, 2020

Meeting Details

Hearing Type Standard

Meeting Record

9:30 AM **Act 173**
Daniel French, Secretary, Agency of Education

- **Literacy Bills**
Daniel French, Secretary, Agency of Education

12:00 PM **Lunch**

1:00 PM **House Floor**

2:00 PM **H.935 - An act relating to prekindergarten education**

Mark Perrault, Senior Fiscal Analyst, Joint Fiscal Office

Chloe Wexler, Fiscal Data Analyst, Joint Fiscal Office

3:00 PM **Adjourn**

Friday, January 31, 2020

Meeting Details

**Hearing
Type** Standard

Meeting Record

9:30 AM **House Floor**

10:05 AM **H.935 - An act relating to prekindergarten education**

Mark-up

James DesMarais, Legislative Counsel, Office of
Legislative Counsel

Katie McLinn, Legislative Counsel, Office of Legislative
Counsel

11:30 AM **Literacy Bills**

Nathan Levenson, President, District Management
Group

12:00 PM **Lunch**

12:45 PM **H.935 - An act relating to prekindergarten education**
Paul Behrman, Director, Champlain Valley Head Start

1:40 PM **Adjourn**

Tuesday, February 4, 2020

Meeting Details

Hearing Type Standard

Meeting Record

10:00 AM **House Floor**
Caucuses immediately following Floor

12:00 PM **Lunch**

1:00 PM **H.909 - An act relating to the tax effect that resulted from inequitable and inadequate student equalized pupil weighting from 2000–2018**
Ted Fisher, Director of Communications and Legislative Affairs, Agency of Education

Rep. Laura Sibilialia, Sponsor

- **H.910 - An act relating to adding new weights to the weightings used to calculate equalized pupils**

Rep. Laura Sibilialia, Sponsor

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1:45 PM **Committee Discussion**

3:30 PM **Literacy Bills**

Karen Heath, Literacy Specialist, Main Street Middle School, Montpelier

Susan Koch, First Grade Teacher, Union Elementary School, Montpelier

4:30 PM **Adjourn**

Wednesday, February 5, 2020

Meeting Details

Hearing Type Standard

Meeting Record

9:30 AM H.935 - An act relating to prekindergarten education

Sherry Carlson, Senior Director of Programs, Let's Grow Kids

Sarah Kenney, Senior Director of Policy, Let's Grow Kids

12:00 PM Lunch

1:00 PM House Floor

3:00 PM H.812 - An act relating to universal school breakfast and lunch for all public-school students

Faye Mack, Advocacy and Education Director, Hunger Free Vermont

Mark Perrault, Senior Fiscal Analyst, Joint Fiscal Office

Rep. Lucy Rogers, Sponsor

- **Adjourn**

Thursday, February 6, 2020

Meeting Details

Hearing Type Standard

Meeting Record

9:30 AM Literacy Bills

Walk-through

James DesMarais, Legislative Counsel, Office of
Legislative Counsel

10:00 AM H.935 - An act relating to prekindergarten education

Daniel French, Secretary, Agency of Education
Kate Rogers, Early Learning Team Lead, Agency of
Education

11:15 AM H.668 - An act relating to evidence-based structured literacy instruction for students in kindergarten–grade 3 and students with dyslexia and to teacher preparation programs

Committee Discussion

12:00 PM Lunch

1:00 PM House Floor

2:00 PM H.935 - An act relating to prekindergarten education

Sandra Cameron, Director of Policy, Vermont School
Board Association

Sue Ceglowski, Executive Director, Vermont School
Boards Association

Jeff Francis, Executive Director, VT Superintendents
Association

Traci Sawyers, Executive Director, Vermont Council of
Special Education Administrators

3:00 PM Afterschool Programs

Holly Morehouse, Executive Director, Vermont
Afterschool, Inc.

Chris Neitzky, Afterschool Alliance

- **Adjourn**

Friday, February 7, 2020

Meeting Details

Hearing Type	Standard
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Meeting Record

9:30 AM House Floor

**After the
Floor Committee Adjourned**

No committee business today due to weather

Tuesday, February 11, 2020

Meeting Details

**Hearing
Type** Standard

Meeting Record

10:00 AM **House Floor**

Caucuses immediately following the Floor

11:30 AM **Lunch**

12:30 PM **Our Voices Exposed (OVX)**

Youth Tobacco Prevention Group

Eliza Bridge, Student, Rutland High School

Joe Doherty, Advisor, Rutland High School

Giovanni Falco, Student, Rutland High School

Riley Norton, Student, Rutland High School

1:00 PM **H.209 - An act relating to ending the suspension of
State aid for school construction projects**

David Epstein, Managing Principal, TruexCullins

Jeff Francis, Executive Director, VT Superintendents
Association

Mark Perrault, Senior Fiscal Analyst, Joint Fiscal Office

Rebecca Wasserman, Legislative Counsel, Office of
Legislative Counsel

2:45 PM Proficiency Based Learning and Notation

*Joint Hearing with Senate and House Education
Committees*

Room 11

Matt Jordan, Director of Strategic Initiatives, Education
Commission of the States

Joel Moore, State Relations Strategist, Education
Commission of the States

4:00 PM Adjourn

Wednesday, February 12, 2020

Meeting Details

**Hearing
Type** Standard

Meeting Record

9:00 AM Farm to School

David Baker, Superintendent, Windsor Southeast
Supervisory Union

Camryn Hoffman, Student, Cabot School

Craig Locarno, Food Service Director, Windsor
Southeast Supervisory Union

Faye Mack, Advocacy and Education Director, Hunger
Free Vermont

Nene Riley, Teacher, Cabot School

Silas Robbins, Student, Cabot School

Betsy Rosenbluth, Vermont FEED Project Director,
Vermont Farm to School Network

Peter Stratman, Teacher, Cabot School

**10:15 AM H.661 - An act relating to increasing special education
State aid for prekindergarten students**

Walk-through

James DesMarais, Legislative Counsel, Office of
Legislative Counsel

Emily Simmons, General Counsel, Agency of Education

11:00 AM H.935 - An act relating to prekindergarten education

Committee Discussion

12:00 PM Lunch

1:00 PM House Floor

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**After
Floor**

Committee Discussion

3:30 PM Act 173

Meagan Roy, Chair, Act 173 Advisory Committee

4:15 PM

Adjourn

Thursday, February 13, 2020

Meeting Details

**Hearing
Type** Standard

Meeting Record

9:00 AM Afterschool Programs

Jess DeCarolis, Division Director, Student Pathways,
Agency of Education

- **Afterschool Advocacy Day**

Emily Deso-Walker, Student, Enosburg Falls High
School

Natalia Dorcely, Student, Springfield High School

Tyler Duso, Student, Enosburg Falls High School

Heather Moore, LEAPS Program Director, Franklin
Northeast Supervisory Union

Holly Morehouse, Executive Director, Youth Services
Advisory Council

Tim Mulligan, Principal, Newark Street School

Addison Seibel, Student, Newark Street School

11:15 AM **H.668 - An act relating to evidence-based structured literacy instruction for students in kindergarten–grade 3 and students with dyslexia and to teacher preparation programs**

Robert Schulze, Assistant Professor, Special Education,
Education Department Chair, Northern Vermont
University

Anne Slonaker, Associate Professor, Education
Department Chair, Castleton University

12:00 PM **Lunch**

1:00 PM **House Floor**

After the **H.935 - An act relating to prekindergarten education**
Floor

Mark-up and possible vote

Sandra Cameron, Director of Policy, Vermont School
Board Association

James DesMarais, Legislative Counsel, Office of
Legislative Counsel

Sarah Kenney, Senior Director of Policy, Let's Grow Kids

Katie McLinn, Legislative Counsel, Office of Legislative
Counsel

Traci Sawyers, Executive Director, Vermont Council of
Special Education Administrators

3:20 PM **H.714 - An act relating to implicit bias training for public and approved independent school employees**

Amanda Garces, Director of Policy, Education and Outreach, Vermont Human Rights Commission
Rep. Zachariah Ralph Watson, Sponsor, Sponsor of Amendment

4:00 PM **Adjourn**

Friday, February 14, 2020

Meeting Details

Hearing Type Standard

Meeting Record

9:00 AM **Love Letter for the Climate**

Lili Markow, Youth Lobby Coordinator, Vermont Youth Lobby

Finn Olson, Youth Lobby Coordinator, Vermont Youth Lobby

9:30 AM **House Floor**

12:00 PM **Adjourn**

Tuesday, February 18, 2020

Meeting Details

**Hearing
Type** Standard

Meeting Record

10:00 AM **House Floor**

Caucuses immediately following the Floor

12:00 PM **Lunch**

1:00 PM **H.209 - An act relating to ending the suspension of State aid for school construction projects**

*Joint Hearing with House Corrections and Institutions
Room 11*

Mary Beth Banios, Superintendent, Windsor Central
Supervisory Union

Jennifer Botzjorns, Superintendent, Kingdom East
Supervisory Union

Bridget Burkardt, Board Clerk, South Burlington
Supervisory District

Karen Conroy, Superintendent, Essex North Supervisory
Union

David Epstein, Managing Principal, TruexCullins

Jeffrey Francis, Executive Director, Vermont
Superintendents Association

Bruce MacIntire, Director of Facilities, Addison Central
School District

Beth Pearce, State Treasurer, Office of the State
Treasurer

Patrick Reen, Superintendent, Mount Abraham Unified
High School

Christine Sullivan, School Board Member, Harwood
Union Unified School District

Clare Wool, Board Chair, Burlington School District

David Young, Superintendent, South Burlington
Supervisory District

3:30 PM Afterschool Programs

Nicole Miller, Assistant Director, Vermont Afterschool
Jill Rinehart, MD, FAAP, President, American Academy
of Pediatrics, Vermont Chapter

4:00 PM Proficiency Based Learning

Michael Livingston, Head of School, The Sharon
Academy
Mary Newman, Incoming Head of School, The Sharon
Academy

4:45 PM Adjourn

Wednesday, February 19, 2020

Meeting Details

**Hearing
Type** Standard

Meeting Record

8:30 AM **H.668 - An act relating to evidence-based structured literacy instruction for students in kindergarten–grade 3 and students with dyslexia and to teacher preparation programs**

Sandra Chittenden, Parent and Special Education
Parent Advocate, Essex

Jamie Crenshaw, Parent and Special Education Parent
Advocate, Milton

Marylynn Strachan, Parent and Special Education
Parent Advocate, Middlesex

9:30 AM **H.935 - An act relating to prekindergarten education**

Lori Connors-Tadros, Senior Research Fellow, National
Institute for Early Education Research

10:00 AM **H.935 - An act relating to prekindergarten education**

Heather Martin, Early Education Center Director,
Castleton University

10:30 AM **H.935 - An act relating to prekindergarten education**

Kristen Martin, Head of School, Montessori School of
Central Vermont

Tamara Mount, Head of School, Hilltop Montessori
School

11:00 AM **H.935 - An act relating to prekindergarten education**

Mark-up

Sandra Cameron, Director of Policy, Vermont School
Board Association

James DesMarais, Legislative Counsel, Office of
Legislative Counsel

Katie McLinn, Legislative Counsel, Office of Legislative
Counsel

12:20 PM **Lunch**

1:00 PM **House Floor**

After the **H.935 - An act relating to prekindergarten education**
Floor

Committee Discussion

3:30 PM **Adjourn**

Thursday, February 20, 2020

Meeting Details

**Hearing
Type** Standard

Meeting Record

8:30 AM H.638 - An act relating to the education of children of parents who are homeless

Walk-through

Patrick Burke, Principal, South Burlington High School
James DesMarais, Legislative Counsel, Office of
Legislative Counsel
Rep. Martin LaLonde, Sponsor, South Burlington

9:15 AM H.935 - An act relating to prekindergarten education

Mark-up

James DesMarais, Legislative Counsel, Office of
Legislative Counsel
Katie McLinn, Legislative Counsel, Office of Legislative
Counsel

10:00 AM H.812 - An act relating to universal school breakfast and lunch for all public-school students

Doug Davis, Director, Food Service, Burlington School
District
Anore Horton, Executive Director, Hunger Free Vermont
Carlotta Simonds-Perantoni, Principal, Waits River Valley
School

10:30 AM **Election of Trustees of the Vermont State Colleges**

Joint Assembly

11:30 AM **H.209 - An act relating to ending the suspension of
State aid for school construction projects**

Michael Gaughan, Executive Director, Vermont
Municipal Bond Bank, Vermont Educational & Health
Buildings Financing Agency

12:00 PM **Lunch**

1:00 PM **House Floor**

**After the
Floor** **Adjourn**

Friday, February 21, 2020

Meeting Details

**Hearing
Type** Standard

Meeting Record

9:00 AM **H.935 - An act relating to prekindergarten education**

James DesMarais, Legislative Counsel, Office of
Legislative Counsel

Emily Simmons, General Counsel, Agency of Education

Leslie Wisdom, General Counsel, Department for
Children and Families

9:30 AM House Floor

11:00 AM H.668 - An act relating to evidence-based structured literacy instruction for students in kindergarten–grade 3 and students with dyslexia and to teacher preparation programs

Heather Bouchey, Deputy Secretary, Agency of
Education

James DesMarais, Legislative Counsel, Office of
Legislative Counsel

Kathy Flanagan, Deputy Chief Financial Officer, Agency
of Education

11:45 AM Governor's FY2021 Budget Address

Bill Bates, Chief Financial Officer, Agency of Education

Heather Bouchey, Deputy Secretary, Agency of
Education

Kathy Flanagan, Deputy Chief Financial Officer, Agency
of Education

12:15 PM Governor's Institutes of Vermont

Karen Taylor Mitchell, Executive Director, Governor's
Institutes of Vermont

12:00 PM **Lunch**

1:00 PM **H.935 - An act relating to prekindergarten education**

Committee Discussion

Jeanné Collins, Superintendent of Schools, Rutland
Northeast Supervisory Union

2:00 PM **Adjourn**

Tuesday, February 25, 2020

Meeting Details

**Hearing
Type** Standard

Meeting Record

9:00 AM **H.935 - An act relating to prekindergarten education**

James DesMarais, Legislative Counsel, Office of
Legislative Counsel

Katie McLinn, Legislative Counsel, Office of Legislative
Counsel

9:30 AM H.935 - An act relating to prekindergarten education

Jay Nichols, Executive Director, Vermont Principals' Association

9:45 AM H.935 - An act relating to prekindergarten education

Sarah Kenney, Senior Director of Policy, Let's Grow Kids

10:00 AM House Floor

Caucuses immediately following the Floor

12:00 PM Lunch

1:15 PM H.935 - An act relating to prekindergarten education

Discussion, Mark-up and Possible Vote

James DesMarais, Legislative Counsel, Office of Legislative Counsel

Sarah Kenney, Senior Director of Policy, Let's Grow Kids

Katie McLinn, Legislative Counsel, Office of Legislative Counsel

3:15 PM H.935 - An act relating to prekindergarten education

Sandra Cameron, Director of Policy, Vermont School Board Association

Jeffrey Francis, Executive Director, Vermont Superintendents Association

Jay Nichols, Executive Director, Vermont Principals'
Association

Emily Simmons, General Counsel, Agency of Education

4:15 PM **Adjourn**

Wednesday, February 26, 2020

Meeting Details

**Hearing
Type** Standard

Meeting Record

9:00 AM **"The Boy and the Bat"**

Carter Somaini, Student

Carter Somaini, Parent

9:15 AM **H.935 - An act relating to prekindergarten education**

Discussion and Mark-up

Sandra Cameron, Director of Policy, Vermont School
Board Association

James DesMarais, Legislative Counsel, Office of
Legislative Counsel

Katie McLinn, Legislative Counsel, Office of Legislative
Counsel

Melissa Riegel-Garrett, Child Development Division
Policy Director, Department for Children and
Families

Emily Simmons, General Counsel, Agency of Education

10:10 AM H.668 - An act relating to evidence-based structured literacy instruction for students in kindergarten–grade 3 and students with dyslexia and to teacher preparation programs

Discussion and Mark-up

Katie Ballard, Parent and Special Education Parent
Advocate, Essex

Jamie Crenshaw, Parent and Special Education Parent
Advocate, Milton

James DesMarais, Legislative Counsel, Office of
Legislative Counsel

Ted Fisher, Director of Communications and Legislative
Affairs, Agency of Education

Jay Nichols, Executive Director, Vermont Principals'
Association

Mark Perrault, Senior Fiscal Analyst, Joint Fiscal Office

11:00 AM H.209 - An act relating to ending the suspension of State aid for school construction projects

Discussion and Mark-up

John Carroll, Chair, State Board of Education

Rebecca Wasserman, Legislative Counsel, Office of
Legislative Counsel

11:50 AM **H.935 - An act relating to prekindergarten education**

Vote

James DesMarais, Legislative Counsel, Office of
Legislative Counsel

Jay Nichols, Executive Director, Vermont Principals'
Association

12:00 PM **Lunch**

1:00 PM **House Floor**

**After the
Floor** **Adjourn**

Thursday, February 27, 2020

Meeting Details

**Hearing
Type** Standard

Meeting Record

9:00 AM **Committee Discussion**

10:30 AM

H.668 - An act relating to evidence-based structured literacy instruction for students in kindergarten–grade 3 and students with dyslexia and to teacher preparation programs

Ted Fisher, Director of Communications and Legislative Affairs, Agency of Education

11:00 AM H.668 - An act relating to evidence-based structured literacy instruction for students in kindergarten–grade 3 and students with dyslexia and to teacher preparation programs

Mark-up

James DesMarais, Legislative Counsel, Office of Legislative Counsel

11:30 AM H.668 - An act relating to evidence-based structured literacy instruction for students in kindergarten–grade 3 and students with dyslexia and to teacher preparation programs

Mark Perrault, Senior Fiscal Analyst, Joint Fiscal Office

12:00 PM Lunch

1:00 PM House Floor

After the Floor Adjourn

Friday, February 28, 2020

Meeting Details

**Hearing
Type** Standard

Meeting Record

9:30 AM House Floor

12:20 PM **H.209 - An act relating to ending the suspension of State aid for school construction projects**

Mark-up and Vote

Catherine Benham, Associate Fiscal Officer, Joint Fiscal Office

Rep. Alice M. Emmons, House Committee on Corrections and Institutions

Daniel French, Secretary, Agency of Education

Rebecca Wasserman, Legislative Counsel, Office of Legislative Counsel

12:50 AM **H.668 - An act relating to evidence-based structured literacy instruction for students in kindergarten–grade 3 and students with dyslexia and to teacher preparation programs**

Mark-up and Vote

Katie Ballard, Parent and Special Education Parent Advocate, Essex

James DesMarais, Legislative Counsel, Office of
Legislative Counsel

Daniel French, Secretary, Agency of Education

Chelsea Myers, Director of Communications and
Professional Development, Vermont
Superintendents Association

2:00 PM Adjourn

Tuesday, March 10, 2020

Meeting Details

**Hearing
Type** Standard

Meeting Record

10:00 AM House Floor

Caucuses immediately following Floor

12:00 PM Lunch

**1:00 PM H.803 - An act relating to expanding access to
information about special education**

Introduction

Susan Aranoff, Senior Planner and Policy Analyst,
Vermont Developmental Disabilities Council
Rep. Woodman Page, Sponsor

4:00 PM Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19) Updates

House Chamber

Erica Bornemann, Director, Vermont Emergency
Management & Homeland Security

Daniel French, Secretary, Agency of Education

Monica Caserta Hutt, Commissioner, Department of
Disabilities, Aging and Independent Living

Mark Levine, Commissioner, Vermont Department of
Health

Michael E. Schirling, Commissioner, Department of
Public Safety

Michael K. Smith, Secretary, Agency of Human Services

- **Adjourn**

Wednesday, March 11, 2020

Meeting Details

Hearing Type	Standard
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Meeting Record

9:00 AM H.663 - An act relating to expanding access to contraceptives

Rep. Jessica Brumsted, House Committee On Human Services

Shayla Livingston, Public Health Policy Advisor, Department of Health

Rep. Francis McFaun, House Committee On Human Services

Jay Nichols, Executive Director, Vermont Principals' Association

10:00 AM H.663 - An act relating to expanding access to contraceptives

Libby Bonesteel, Superintendent of Schools, Montpelier Roxbury Public Schools

11:30 AM H.661 - An act relating to increasing special education State aid for prekindergarten students

Colin Blazej, Tax Payer, Carpenter, Windham

Russ Cumming, Lister, School Board Member, Windham

Bill Dunkel, Head of the Planning Commission, Town Energy Coordinator, Representative to the Windham Regional Commission, Windham

Imme Murath, Auditor, Tax Payer, Windham

Kathy Scott, Town Treasurer, School Board Treasurer, Windham

Kord Scott, Select Board, School Bus Driver, Windham

12:00 PM	Lunch
1:00 PM	House Floor
2:00 PM	<p>H.663 - An act relating to expanding access to contraceptives</p> <p><i>Walk-through</i></p> <p>Jennifer Carbee, Deputy Chief Counsel, Office of Legislative Counsel</p>
3:00 PM	<p>S.326 - An act relating to the State Advisory Panel on Special Education</p> <p>Sen. Ruth Hardy</p> <p>Wendy Morgan, Staff Attorney, Vermont Legal Aid</p> <p>Rachel Seelig, Staff Attorney, Vermont Legal Aid</p> <p>Emily Simmons, General Counsel, Agency of Education</p>
4:00 PM	Adjourn

Thursday, March 12, 2020

Meeting Details

Hearing Type	Standard
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Meeting Record

10:00 AM **S.335 - An act relating to universal access to afterschool programs**

Introduction

Sen. Debbie Ingram

Amy Shollenberger, Lobbyist, Parent Child Center
Network

11:30 AM **"Twende Shuleni" ("Let's Go to School")**

Rahmah Alchaderchi, Student, Winooski High School

Hussein Amuri, Student, Winooski High School

Bonne-Idee Kasindi, Student, Winooski High School

Rachid Muzaliwa, Student, Winooski High School

Susmita Rai, Student, Winooski High School

12:00 PM **Lunch**

1:00 PM **House Floor**

**After the
Floor** **Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19) Updates**

Sue Ceglowski, Executive Director, Vermont School
Boards Association

Jay Nichols, Executive Director, Vermont Principals'
Association

Emily Simmons, General Counsel, Agency of Education

4:00 PM Adjourn

Friday, March 13, 2020

Meeting Details

**Hearing
Type** Standard

Meeting Record

9:00 AM Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19) Updates

Daniel French, Secretary, Agency of Education

**9:45 AM H.803 - An act relating to expanding access to
information about special education**

Emily Simmons, General Counsel, Agency of Education

10:00 AM House Floor

12:00 PM Lunch

**1:00 PM H.668 - An act relating to evidence-based structured
literacy instruction for students in kindergarten–grade 3
and students with dyslexia and to teacher preparation
programs**

James DesMarais, Legislative Counsel, Office of
Legislative Counsel
Jonathan D. Wolff, Lobbyist, Vermont State Colleges

- **Adjourn**

Friday, March 27, 2020

Meeting Details

**Hearing
Type** Standard

Meeting Record

9:00 AM COVID-19 Response

Updates

Sue Ceglowski, Executive Director, Vermont School
Boards Association

Dan French, Secretary, Agency of Education

Erin Maguire, President, National Organization for
Directors of Special Education

Mark Perrault, Senior Fiscal Analyst, Joint Fiscal Office

**Adjourn
until 1:45
PM** -

1:45 PM

COVID 19 Response

Updates continued

Libby Bonesteel, Superintendent of Schools, Montpelier
Roxbury Public Schools

Jennifer Botzjorns, Superintendent, Kingdom East
Supervisory Union

Sarah Case, 3rd Grade Teacher, Shaftsbury, VT

Jeanné Collins, Superintendent, Rutland Northeast
Supervisory Union

Jeff Fannon, Executive Director, Vermont National
Education Association

Sean McMannon, Superintendent, Winooski School
District

Jay Nichols, Executive Director, Vermont Principals'
Association

Larry O'Connor, Special Educator, Middlebury Union
High School

Jessica Settles, 7th and 8th Grade English Teacher,
Danville School

Laura Soares, President, VSBIT

Jackie Wilson, Superintendent, Bennington-Rutland
Supervisory Union

- **Adjourn**

Tuesday, March 31, 2020

Meeting Details

**Hearing
Type** Standard

Meeting Record

12:00 PM COVID-19 Response Updates

Laura Soares, President, VSBIT

12:30 PM S.224 - An act relating to making miscellaneous changes to education laws

The title of S.224 is outdated. The subject matter is now the Miscellaneous Education bill. Committee discussion and walk-through

James DesMarais, Legislative Counsel, Office of Legislative Counsel

- **S.46 - An act relating to ethnic and social equity studies standards for public schools**

Committee discussion and walk-through of proposed pupil weighting language

James DesMarais, Legislative Counsel, Office of Legislative Counsel

2:00 PM **Break**

2:30 PM **COVID-19 Response**

Sue Ceglowski, Executive Director, Vermont School Boards Association

Jeff Fannon, Executive Director, Vermont National Education Association

Jeff Francis, Executive Director, VT Superintendents Association

Mill Moore, Executive Director, Vermont Independent Schools Association

Edward Nasta, Executive Director, New School of Montpelier

Jay Nichols, Executive Director, Vermont Principals' Association

Traci Sawyers, Executive Director, Vermont Council of Special Education Administrators

4:30 PM **Adjourn**

Wednesday, April 1, 2020

Meeting Details

Hearing Type Standard

Meeting Record

- **No Committee Meeting Scheduled**

Thursday, April 2, 2020

Meeting Details

**Hearing
Type** Standard

Meeting Record

10:00 AM COVID-19 Response

Sharon Davison, Kindergarten teacher, Williston

Alex Eskra-St.Louis, Second Grade Teacher, Berkshire
Elementary

Dan French, Secretary, Agency of Education

Emily Simmons, General Counsel, Agency of Education

2:00 PM Education Finance

Joint Hearing with House Committee on Ways and Means

Sue Ceglowski, Executive Director, Vermont School
Boards Association

Jeff Fannon, Executive Director, Vermont National
Education Association

Martha Heath, Chair, Essex-Westford School District
Board

Karen Horn, Director, Public Policy & Advocacy,
Vermont League of Cities and Towns

Brad James, Education Finance Manager, Agency of
Education

Mark Perrault, Senior Fiscal Analyst, Joint Fiscal Office

Tim Smith, Chair, Slate Valley Unified School District
Board

Friday, April 3, 2020

Meeting Details

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- **No Committee Meeting Scheduled**

Tuesday, April 7, 2020

Meeting Details

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Meeting Record

12:00 PM **Committee Discussion**

- **S.164 - An act relating to miscellaneous changes to education law**

James DesMarais, Legislative Counsel, Office of
Legislative Counsel

Wednesday, April 8, 2020

Meeting Details

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- **No Committee Meetings Scheduled**
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Thursday, April 9, 2020

Meeting Details

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Meeting Record

- **No Committee Meetings Scheduled**

Friday, April 10, 2020

Meeting Details

**Hearing
Type** Standard

Meeting Record

9:30 AM Post-Secondary COVID 19 Response

Wendy Koenig, Federal and State Relations and
Legislative Liaison, University of Vermont

Jeb Spaulding, Chancellor, Vermont State Colleges
System

Susan Stitely, President, Association of Vermont
Independent Colleges

- **Break**

2:00 PM COVID 19 Response

Sue Ceglowski, Executive Director, Vermont School
Boards Association

Lynn Cota, Superintendent, Franklin Northeast
Supervisory Union

Kevin Dirth, Superintendent, Maple Run School District

Jeff Fannon, Executive Director, Vermont National
Education Association

Jeff Francis, Executive Director, VT Superintendents
Association

Zach Mclaughlin, Superintendent, Springfield School
District

Jay Nichols, Executive Director, Vermont Principals'
Association

Meg Powden, Superintendent, Two Rivers Supervisory
Union

Traci Sawyers, Executive Director, Vermont Council of
Special Education Administrators

3:30 PM COVID 19 Response

Dan French, Secretary, Agency of Education

Tuesday, April 14, 2020

Meeting Details

**Hearing
Type** Standard

Meeting Record

12:00 PM Covid-19 Response: Mental Health

Tomasz Jankowski, President and CEO, Northeast
Kingdom Human Services

Marilyn Mahusky, Staff Attorney, Disability Law Project,
Vermont Legal Aid

David Melnick, Director of Outpatient Services, NFI
Vermont

Laurel Omland, Director, Child, Adolescent, and Family
Unit, Vermont Department of Mental Health

Noreen Shapiro-Berry, Northeast Kingdom Human
Services

Marcia Stricker, Northeast Kingdom Human Services

Veronica Whitehill, Northeast Kingdom Human Services

Wednesday, April 15, 2020

Meeting Details

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Meeting Record

- **No Committee Meetings Scheduled**

Thursday, April 16, 2020

Meeting Details

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Meeting Record

- **No Committee Meetings Scheduled**

Friday, April 17, 2020

Meeting Details

**Hearing
Type** Standard

Meeting Record

10:00 AM Education Finance: District Budgets

Joint Hearing with House Committee on Ways and Means

Sue Ceglowski, Executive Director, Vermont School
Boards Association

Mark Perrault, Senior Fiscal Analyst, Joint Fiscal Office

**10:30 AM S. - An act relating to establishing default budgets for
school districts due to the COVID-19 State of Emergency**

James DesMarais, Legislative Counsel, Office of
Legislative Counsel

**2:00 PM COVID 19 Response: Pre-K Education and Continuity of
Learning**

Meg Baker, Universal Pre-K Coordinator, Addison
County

Steven Berbeco, Deputy Commissioner, Department for
Children and Families

Sandra Cameron, Director of Policy, Vermont School
Board Association

Stacie Curtis, Director of Burlington Early Education
Programs, Burlington School District

Daniel French, Secretary, Agency of Education

Nathan Lavery, Executive Director of Finance,
Burlington School District and President-Elect,
Vermont Association of School Business Officials

Chelsea Myers, Director of Communications and
Professional Development, Vermont
Superintendents Association

Jay Nichols, Executive Director, Vermont Principals'
Association

Aly Richards, Chief Executive Officer, Let's Grow Kids

Melissa Riegel-Garrett, Child Development Division
Policy Director, Department for Children and
Families

Kate Rogers, Early Learning Team Lead, Agency of
Education

Meagan Roy, Director of Student Support Services,
Champlain Valley School District

Traci Sawyers, Executive Director, Vermont Council of
Special Education Administrators

- **S.343 - An act relating to delaying special education
changes due to the COVID-19 state of emergency**

James DesMarais, Legislative Counsel, Office of
Legislative Counsel

Meagan Roy, Chair, Act 173 Advisory Committee

Tuesday, April 21, 2020

Meeting Details

**Hearing
Type** Standard

Meeting Record

12:00 PM Possible Delays to Act 173

John Carroll, Chair, State Board of Education

James DesMarais, Legislative Counsel, Office of
Legislative Counsel

Jeff Fannon, Executive Director, Vermont National
Education Association

Kirsten Murphy, Executive Director, Vermont
Developmental Disabilities Council

Jay Nichols, Executive Director, Vermont Principals'
Association

Traci Sawyers, Executive Director, Vermont Council of
Special Education Administrators

Emily Simmons, General Counsel, Agency of Education

- **Committee Discussion**

2:00 PM Adjourn

Wednesday, April 22, 2020

Meeting Details

Hearing Type	Standard
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Meeting Record

- **No Committee Meeting Scheduled**

Thursday, April 23, 2020

Meeting Details

Hearing Type	Standard
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Meeting Record

- **No Committee Meeting Scheduled**

10:00 AM	House Floor
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1:00 PM	House Floor
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Friday, April 24, 2020

Meeting Details

**Hearing
Type** Standard

Meeting Record

11:00 AM **House Floor**

2:00 PM **COVID-19 Response: School Districts Without Budgets**

Bridget Burkardt, Board Clerk, South Burlington
Supervisory District

Sue Ceglowski, Executive Director, Vermont School
Boards Association

Danielle Corti, School Board Chair, Oxbow Unified
Union School District

James DesMarais, Legislative Counsel, Office of
Legislative Counsel

Jeff Fannon, Executive Director, Vermont National
Education Association

Jeff Francis, Executive Director, VT Superintendents
Association

Lyle Holiday, Superintendent, Windham Southeast
Supervisory Union

Caitlin Hollister, School Board Chair, Harwood Union
Unified School District

Brad James, Education Finance Manager, Agency of
Education

Bruce Labs, Superintendent, White River Valley
Supervisory Union

Zach Mclaughlin, Superintendent, Springfield School
District

Mark Perrault, Senior Fiscal Analyst, Joint Fiscal Office

Amy Rex, Superintendent, Milton School District

Frank Rucker, Business Administrator, Windham
Southeast Supervisory Union

David Schoales, School Board Chair, Windham
Southeast Supervisory Union

Mark Tucker, Superintendent, Caledonia Cooperative
School District

Chloe Wexler, Fiscal Data Analyst, Joint Fiscal Office

David Young, Superintendent, South Burlington
Supervisory District

4:00 PM Adjourn

Tuesday, April 28, 2020

Meeting Details

**Hearing
Type** Standard

Meeting Record

12:00 PM Committee Discussion on District Budgets

- **S.343 - An act relating to delaying special education changes due to the COVID-19 state of emergency**

Committee Discussion

James DesMarais, Legislative Counsel, Office of
Legislative Counsel

2:00 PM Adjourn

Wednesday, April 29, 2020

Meeting Details

**Hearing
Type** Standard

Meeting Record

- **No Committee Meetings Scheduled**

10:30 AM House Floor

1:00 PM House Floor

Thursday, April 30, 2020

Meeting Details

Hearing Type	Standard
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Meeting Record

- **No Committee Meetings Scheduled**

Friday, May 1, 2020

Meeting Details

Hearing Type	Standard
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Meeting Record

10:00 AM	House Floor
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2:00 PM	S.343 - An act relating to delaying special education changes due to the COVID-19 state of emergency
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Committee Discussion and Vote

4:00 PM	Adjourn
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Tuesday, May 5, 2020

Meeting Details

**Hearing
Type** Standard

Meeting Record

**12:00 PM Act 66 (2019) Water Testing for Lead in Schools and
Child Care Facilities**

David Englander, Senior Policy & Legal Advisor,
Vermont Department of Health

Michael O'Grady, Deputy Chief Counsel, Office of
Legislative Counsel

Emily Simmons, General Counsel, Agency of Education

Chloe Wexler, Fiscal Data Analyst, Joint Fiscal Office

- **H. - An act relating to establishing fiscal year 2021
education spending for school districts due to the
COVID-19 state of emergency**

James DesMarais, Legislative Counsel, Office of
Legislative Counsel

2:00 PM Adjourn

Wednesday, May 6, 2020

Meeting Details

**Hearing
Type** Standard

Meeting Record

- **No Committee Meetings Scheduled**

10:30 AM **House Floor**

Followed by Full House Caucus

1:00 PM **House Floor**

Continued from this morning if needed

Thursday, May 7, 2020

Meeting Details

**Hearing
Type** Standard

Meeting Record

- **No Committee Meetings Scheduled**

Friday, May 8, 2020

Meeting Details

**Hearing
Type** Standard

Meeting Record

10:00 AM House Floor

2:00 PM Capitol Bill - Extension of Sunset

Rebecca Wasserman, Legislative Counsel, Office of
Legislative Counsel

- **H. - An act relating to establishing fiscal year 2021
education spending for school districts due to the
COVID-19 state of emergency**

Karen Horn, Director, Public Policy & Advocacy,
Vermont League of Cities and Towns

Will Senning, Director, Elections and Campaign Finance,
Secretary of State's Office

4:00 PM Adjourn

Tuesday, May 12, 2020

Meeting Details

Hearing Type	Standard
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Meeting Record

12:00 PM	Committee Discussion
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Wednesday, May 13, 2020

Meeting Details

Hearing Type	Standard
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Meeting Record

10:00 AM	House Floor
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1:00 PM	House Floor
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Thursday, May 14, 2020

Meeting Details

Hearing Type	Standard
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Meeting Record

- **No Committee Meetings Scheduled**

Friday, May 15, 2020

Meeting Details

**Hearing
Type** Standard

Meeting Record

10:00 AM House Floor

2:00 PM **H.957 - An act relating to extending the deadline to test for lead in the drinking water of school buildings and child care facilities**

Committee Discussion and Vote

David Englander, Senior Policy & Legal Advisor,
Vermont Department of Health

Michael O'Grady, Deputy Chief Counsel, Office of
Legislative Counsel

2:15 PM **Committee Discussion on District Budgets**

Sue Ceglowski, Executive Director, Vermont School
Boards Association

James DesMarais, Legislative Counsel, Office of
Legislative Counsel

Jeff Fannon, Executive Director, Vermont National
Education Association

Jeff Francis, Executive Director, VT Superintendents
Association

Karen Horn, Director, Public Policy & Advocacy,
Vermont League of Cities and Towns

Brad James, Education Finance Manager, Agency of
Education

Will Senning, Director, Elections and Campaign Finance,
Secretary of State's Office

Chloe Wexler, Fiscal Data Analyst, Joint Fiscal Office

Monday, May 18, 2020

Meeting Details

Hearing Type	Standard
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Meeting Record

2:00 PM	House Caucus <i>Optional All-House Caucus</i>
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Tuesday, May 19, 2020

Meeting Details

**Hearing
Type** Standard

Meeting Record

12:00 PM Trends in Higher Education

Joint Hearing with House Committee on Commerce and Economic Development

Stephanie Murphy, Policy and Research Analyst, New England Board of Higher Education

Michael Thomas, President and CEO, New England Board of Higher Education

Candace Williams, Director of Policy Research and Strategic Initiatives, New England Board of Higher Education

3:30 PM House Caucus

- **Adjourn**

Wednesday, May 20, 2020

Meeting Details

Hearing Type	Standard
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Meeting Record

11:00 AM	House Floor
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2:00 PM	House Floor
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Thursday, May 21, 2020

Meeting Details

Hearing Type	Standard
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Meeting Record

- **No Committee Meetings Scheduled**

Friday, May 22, 2020

Meeting Details

Hearing Type	Standard
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Meeting Record

9:30 AM **H.957 - An act relating to extending the deadline to test for lead in the drinking water of school buildings and child care facilities**

Committee Discussion and Vote

10:00 AM **House Floor**

2:00 PM **Remote Learning and Proficiency Based Learning**

Jess DeCarolis, Division Director, Student Pathways,
Agency of Education

Mary Newman, Incoming Head of School, The Sharon
Academy

3:00 PM **Education Finance**

Funding for FY21

Brad James, Education Finance Manager, Agency of
Education

Chloe Wexler, Fiscal Data Analyst, Joint Fiscal Office

4:00 PM **Adjourn**

Tuesday, May 26, 2020

Meeting Details

**Hearing
Type** Standard

Meeting Record

12:00 PM **S.233 - An act relating to uniform licensing standards**

BetsyAnn Wrask, Legislative Counsel, Office of
Legislative Counsel

3:30 PM **House Caucus**

Wednesday, May 27, 2020

Meeting Details

**Hearing
Type** Standard

Meeting Record

9:00 AM **H.959 - An act relating to education property tax**

Walk-through and Committee Discussion

Rep. Scott Beck, House Committee on Ways and Means
Mark Perrault, Senior Fiscal Analyst, Joint Fiscal Office
Abby Shepard, Legislative Counsel, Office of Legislative
Counsel

11:00 AM **House Floor**

2:00 PM **House Floor**

Thursday, May 28, 2020

Meeting Details

**Hearing
Type** Standard

Meeting Record

- **No Committee Meetings Scheduled**

Friday, May 29, 2020

Meeting Details

**Hearing
Type** Standard

Meeting Record

10:00 AM **House Floor**

2:00 PM S.233 - An act relating to uniform licensing standards

James DesMarais, Legislative Counsel, Office of
Legislative Counsel

Erik Remmers, Chair, Vermont Standards Board for
Professional Educators

Emily Simmons, General Counsel, Agency of Education

Tuesday, June 2, 2020

Meeting Details

Hearing Type	Standard
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Meeting Record

12:00 PM COVID-19 Response: Education Funding

Sandra Cameron, Director of Policy, Vermont School
Board Association

Sue Ceglowski, Executive Director, Vermont School
Boards Association

Jeff Fannon, Executive Director, Vermont National
Education Association

Jeffrey Francis, Executive Director, Vermont
Superintendents Association

Daniel French, Secretary, Agency of Education

Chelsea Myers, Director of Communications and
Professional Development, Vermont

Superintendents Association

Mark Perrault, Senior Fiscal Analyst, Joint Fiscal Office

Traci Sawyers, Executive Director, Vermont Council of
Special Education Administrators

Chloe Wexler, Fiscal Data Analyst, Joint Fiscal Office

1:00 PM **Future of Public Higher Education in Vermont Study**

Committee Discussion

Joyce Manchester, Senior Economist, Joint Fiscal Office

Michael Thomas, President and CEO, New England
Board of Higher Education

Candace Williams, Director of Policy Research and
Strategic Initiatives, New England Board of Higher
Education

3:30 PM **House Caucus**

Wednesday, June 3, 2020

Meeting Details

**Hearing
Type** Standard

Meeting Record

11:00 AM **House Floor**

2:00 PM

House Floor

Thursday, June 4, 2020

Meeting Details

**Hearing
Type** Standard

Meeting Record

1:00 PM Future of Public Higher Education in Vermont Study

James DesMarais, Legislative Counsel, Office of
Legislative Counsel

Rep. Eileen Dickinson, Member, House Committee on
Commerce and Economic Development

Rep. Peter J. Fagan, House Committee on
Appropriations

Joyce Manchester, Senior Economist, Joint Fiscal Office

Rep. Michael Marcotte, Chair, House Committee on
Commerce and Economic Development

Michael Thomas, President and CEO, New England
Board of Higher Education

Candace Williams, Director of Policy Research and
Strategic Initiatives, New England Board of Higher
Education

Sophie Zdatny, Interim Chancellor, Vermont State
Colleges

Friday, June 5, 2020

Meeting Details

**Hearing
Type** Standard

Meeting Record

10:00 AM House Floor

2:00 PM **COVID- 19 Response: Exposure Liability Act**

Wendy Koenig, Federal and State Relations and
Legislative Liaison, University of Vermont

Susan Stitely, President, Association of Vermont
Independent Colleges

- **H.961 - An act relating to making first quarter fiscal year 2021 appropriations for the support of State government, federal Coronavirus Relief Fund (CRF) appropriations, pay act appropriations, and other fiscal requirements for the first part of the fiscal year**

*Committee discussion of Draft 2.2 Ammendment to H.961
- Creation of Select Committee on The Future of Public
Higher Education in Vermont*

James DesMarais, Legislative Counsel, Office of
Legislative Counsel

Rep. Peter J. Fagan, House Committee on
Appropriations

Scott Giles, President, Vermont Student Assistance
Corporation

Wendy Koenig, Federal and State Relations and
Legislative Liaison, University of Vermont

Joyce Manchester, Senior Economist, Joint Fiscal Office

Candace Williams, Director of Policy Research and
Strategic Initiatives, New England Board of Higher
Education

Sophie Zdatny, Interim Chancellor, Vermont State
Colleges

3:30 PM **H.961 - An act relating to making first quarter fiscal year
2021 appropriations for the support of State
government, federal Coronavirus Relief Fund (CRF)
appropriations, pay act appropriations, and other fiscal
requirements for the first part of the fiscal year**

Committee Discussion

Mark Perrault, Senior Fiscal Analyst, Joint Fiscal Office

Chloe Wexler, Fiscal Data Analyst, Joint Fiscal Office

Tuesday, June 9, 2020

Meeting Details

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Meeting Record

9:00 AM **House Floor**

12:00 PM **H.961 - An act relating to making first quarter fiscal year 2021 appropriations for the support of State government, federal Coronavirus Relief Fund (CRF) appropriations, pay act appropriations, and other fiscal requirements for the first part of the fiscal year**

Sandra Cameron, Director of Policy, Vermont School Board Association

Sue Ceglowski, Executive Director, Vermont School Boards Association

Jeff Fannon, Executive Director, Vermont National Education Association

Jeffrey Francis, Executive Director, Vermont Superintendents Association

Daniel French, Secretary, Agency of Education

Brad James, Education Finance Manager, Agency of Education

Chelsea Myers, Director of Communications and Professional Development, Vermont Superintendents Association

Traci Sawyers, Executive Director, Vermont Council of Special Education Administrators

Chloe Wexler, Fiscal Data Analyst, Joint Fiscal Office

3:30 PM **House Caucus**

Wednesday, June 10, 2020

Meeting Details

**Hearing
Type** Standard

Meeting Record

8:45 AM **H.961 - An act relating to making first quarter fiscal year 2021 appropriations for the support of State government, federal Coronavirus Relief Fund (CRF) appropriations, pay act appropriations, and other fiscal requirements for the first part of the fiscal year**

Anore Horton, Executive Director, Hunger Free Vermont
Katie McLinn, Legislative Counsel, Office of Legislative Counsel

9:00 AM **H.961 - An act relating to making first quarter fiscal year 2021 appropriations for the support of State government, federal Coronavirus Relief Fund (CRF) appropriations, pay act appropriations, and other fiscal requirements for the first part of the fiscal year**

Richard Cate, Chief Financial Officer, University of Vermont
Sue Ceglowski, Executive Director, Vermont School Boards Association
James DesMarais, Legislative Counsel, Office of Legislative Counsel
Jeff Francis, Executive Director, VT Superintendents Association

Brad James, Education Finance Manager, Agency of
Education

Chelsea Myers, Director of Communications and
Professional Development, Vermont
Superintendents Association

Mark Perrault, Senior Fiscal Analyst, Joint Fiscal Office

Chloe Wexler, Fiscal Data Analyst, Joint Fiscal Office

Sophie Zdatny, Interim Chancellor, Vermont State
Colleges

12:30 PM **H.961 - An act relating to making first quarter fiscal year
2021 appropriations for the support of State
government, federal Coronavirus Relief Fund (CRF)
appropriations, pay act appropriations, and other fiscal
requirements for the first part of the fiscal year**

Vote

James DesMarais, Legislative Counsel, Office of
Legislative Counsel

2:00 PM **House Floor**

Thursday, June 11, 2020

Meeting Details

Hearing Standard
Type

Meeting Record

- **No Committee Meetings Scheduled**

Friday, June 12, 2020

Meeting Details

**Hearing
Type** Standard

Meeting Record

10:00 AM House Floor

3:15 PM **H.961 - An act relating to making first quarter fiscal year 2021 appropriations for the support of State government, federal Coronavirus Relief Fund (CRF) appropriations, pay act appropriations, and other fiscal requirements for the first part of the fiscal year**

Coronavirus Relief Funds for Independent K-12 Schools

Brad James, Education Finance Manager, Agency of Education

Chloe Wexler, Fiscal Data Analyst, Joint Fiscal Office

3:40 PM **Uniform Chart of Accounts**

Bill Bates, Chief Financial Officer, Agency of Education

3:50 PM

Covid-19 Response: Mental Health

Services to students from Designated Agencies for FY 20 and FY 21

Todd Bauman, Executive Director, Northwest
Counseling and Support Services

Bob Bick, Executive Director, Howard Center

Jeffrey Francis, Executive Director, Vermont
Superintendents Association

Sandy McGuire, Chief Financial and Operations Officer,
Howard Center

Mary Moulton, Executive Director, Washington County
Mental Health Services

Laurel Omland, Director, Child, Adolescent, and Family
Unit, Vermont Department of Mental Health

Traci Sawyers, Executive Director, Vermont Council of
Special Education Administrators

Sarah Squirrell, Commissioner, Department of Mental
Health

Tuesday, June 16, 2020

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Meeting Record

10:00 AM House Floor

*The House will convene briefly at 9AM.
See House home page for live-stream link.*

12:00 PM H.961 - An act relating to making first quarter fiscal year 2021 appropriations for the support of State government, federal Coronavirus Relief Fund (CRF) appropriations, pay act appropriations, and other fiscal requirements for the first part of the fiscal year

James DesMarais, Legislative Counsel, Office of
Legislative Counsel

Brad James, Education Finance Manager, Agency of
Education

Mark Perrault, Senior Fiscal Analyst, Joint Fiscal Office

Chloe Wexler, Fiscal Data Analyst, Joint Fiscal Office

3:30 PM House Caucus

Wednesday, June 17, 2020

Meeting Details

**Hearing
Type** Standard

Meeting Record

9:00 AM

H.961 - An act relating to making first quarter fiscal year 2021 appropriations for the support of State government, federal Coronavirus Relief Fund (CRF) appropriations, pay act appropriations, and other fiscal requirements for the first part of the fiscal year

James DesMarais, Legislative Counsel, Office of
Legislative Counsel

Mark Perrault, Senior Fiscal Analyst, Joint Fiscal Office

Emily Simmons, General Counsel, Agency of Education

Chloe Wexler, Fiscal Data Analyst, Joint Fiscal Office

10:00 AM House Floor

2:00 PM House Floor

4:00 PM H.961 - An act relating to making first quarter fiscal year 2021 appropriations for the support of State government, federal Coronavirus Relief Fund (CRF) appropriations, pay act appropriations, and other fiscal requirements for the first part of the fiscal year

Sen. Philip Baruth, Chair, Senate Education Committee

James DesMarais, Legislative Counsel, Office of
Legislative Counsel

Rep. Peter J. Fagan, House Committee on
Appropriations

Emily Simmons, General Counsel, Agency of Education

Michael Thomas, President and CEO, New England
Board of Higher Education

Thursday, June 18, 2020

Meeting Details

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Meeting Record

10:00 AM	House Floor
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Friday, June 19, 2020

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Meeting Record

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3:00 PM	H.961 - An act relating to making first quarter fiscal year 2021 appropriations for the support of State government, federal Coronavirus Relief Fund (CRF) appropriations, pay act appropriations, and other fiscal requirements for the first part of the fiscal year
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Committee Discussion and Update

- **H.209 - An act relating to ending the suspension of State aid for school construction projects**

Committee Discussion and Update

Tuesday, June 23, 2020

Meeting Details

Hearing Type Standard

Meeting Record

8:30 AM

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Wendy Geller, Data and Research Director, Agency of Education

Patrick Halladay, Division Director for Education Quality, Agency of Education

9:15 AM

H.961 - An act relating to making first quarter fiscal year 2021 appropriations for the support of State government, federal Coronavirus Relief Fund (CRF) appropriations, pay act appropriations, and other fiscal requirements for the first part of the fiscal year

Committee Discussion

10:00 AM

House Floor

2:00 PM **House Floor**

Wednesday, June 24, 2020

Meeting Details

**Hearing
Type** Standard

Meeting Record

10:00 AM **House Floor**

2:00 PM **House Floor**

Thursday, June 25, 2020

Meeting Details

**Hearing
Type** Standard

Meeting Record

8:30 AM **COVID-19 Update on FY20 and Plans for FY21**

Sue Ceglowski, Executive Director, Vermont School
Boards Association

Jeff Francis, Executive Director, VT Superintendents
Association

Daniel French, Secretary, Agency of Education

Jay Nichols, Executive Director, Vermont Principals'
Association

Traci Sawyers, Executive Director, Vermont Council of
Special Education Administrators

Donald Tinney, President, Vermont National Education
Association

10:00 AM **House Floor**

2:00 PM **House Floor**

Friday, June 26, 2020

Meeting Details

**Hearing
Type** Standard

Meeting Record

10:00 AM **House Floor**

2:00 PM **House Floor**

Thursday, July 30, 2020

Meeting Details

**Hearing
Type** Standard

Meeting Record

2:00 PM Plans for School Opening

Lynn Cota, Superintendent, Franklin Northeast
Supervisory Union
Jeff Francis, Executive Director, VT Superintendents
Association
Randi Lowe, Superintendent, Bennington-Rutland
Supervisory Union

2:30 PM Plans for School Opening

Andrea Griffin, Teacher, Williston
Chris Guros, Special Education Teacher, Montpelier
Jay Nichols, Executive Director, Vermont Principals'
Association
Donald Tinney, President, Vermont National Education
Association

3:00 PM Plans for School Opening

Dan French, Secretary, Agency of Education

3:40 PM Break

3:45 PM Plans for School Opening

Libby Bonesteel, Superintendent of Schools, Montpelier
Roxbury Public Schools

Bev Davis, Superintendent, Orleans Central Supervisory
Union

Barbara Ann Komons-Montrol, Superintendent,
Windham Southwest Supervisory Union

5:00 PM Adjourn

Tuesday, August 25, 2020

Meeting Details

Hearing Type Standard

Meeting Record

10:00 AM House Floor

11:00 AM Adjourn

1:00 PM Vermont State Colleges Bridge Funding

Adam Greshin, Commissioner, Department of Finance &
Management

Sharron Scott, Chief Financial Officer, Vermont State
Colleges

Sophie Zdatny, Chancellor, Vermont State Colleges

-- **Coronavirus Relief Funds**

*Update from UVM and Association of Vermont
Independent Colleges*

Richard Cate, Chief Financial Officer, University of
Vermont

Wendy Koenig, Federal and State Relations and
Legislative Liaison, University of Vermont

Joyce Manchester, Senior Economist, Joint Fiscal Office

Susan Stitely, President, Association of Vermont
Independent Colleges

Yasmine Ziesler, Chief Academic Officer, Vermont State
Colleges System

3:00 PM Adjourn

Wednesday, August 26, 2020

Meeting Details

**Hearing
Type** Standard

Meeting Record

11:00 AM Governor's Recommended Restatement of the FY21 State Budget

Agency of Education

Bill Bates, Chief Financial Officer, Agency of Education

Dan French, Secretary, Agency of Education

Brad James, Education Finance Manager, Agency of Education

-- Updates and Legislative Priorities

Joint Testimony

Sue Ceglowski, Executive Director, Vermont School Boards Association

Jeff Fannon, Executive Director, Vermont National Education Association

Chelsea Myers, Associate Executive Director, Vermont Superintendents Association

Jay Nichols, Executive Director, Vermont Principals' Association

Colin Robinson, Political Director, Vermont National Education Association

Traci Sawyers, Executive Director, Vermont Council of Special Education Administrators

12:30 PM Adjourn

Thursday, August 27, 2020

Meeting Details

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Meeting Record

-- **No Committee Meeting Scheduled**

2:00 PM **House Floor**

4:00 PM **Adjourn**

Friday, August 28, 2020

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Meeting Record

10:30 AM **Homeschoolers**

*Joint Committee with House Ways and Means
Please click here for the live stream*

*Financial Implications - Enrollment and Education Funding
Homeschooler Interface with Supervisory Unions
Draft Bill Addressing Average Daily Membership*

Sandra Cameron, Director of Policy, Vermont School
Board Association

Sue Ceglowski, Executive Director, Vermont School
Boards Association

James DesMarais, Legislative Counsel

Jeff Francis, Executive Director, VT Superintendents
Association

Chelsea Myers, Associate Executive Director, Vermont
Superintendents Association

Mark Perrault, Senior Fiscal Analyst, Joint Fiscal Office

Chloe Wexler, Fiscal Data Analyst, Joint Fiscal Office

**11:30 AM Governor's Recommended Restatement of the FY21
State Budget**

*Agency of Education Allocations for:
Outright Vermont
Governor's Institutes*

Dana Kaplan, Executive Director, Outright Vermont

Karen Taylor-Mitchell, Executive Director, Governor's
Institutes of Vermont

12:30 PM Adjourn

2:00 PM House Floor

4:00 PM Adjourn

Tuesday, September 1, 2020

Meeting Details

**Hearing
Type** Standard

Meeting Record

10:00 AM House Floor

11:00 AM Adjourn

**1:00 PM Governor's Recommended Restatement of the FY21
State Budget**

*AOE FY21 Budget Allocation for the Vermont State Board
of Education*

John Carroll, Chair, State Board of Education

**1:30 PM H. - An act relating to making miscellaneous changes in
education law to address the COVID-19 pandemic**

Introduction and Walk-through.

James DesMarais, Legislative Counsel

2:00 PM Coronavirus Relief Funds

For Pre-K - 12 and Independent Tech Centers

Bill Bates, Chief Financial Officer, Agency of Education

Sue Ceglowski, Executive Director, Vermont School
Boards Association

James DesMarais, Legislative Counsel

Jeff Francis, Executive Director, VT Superintendents
Association

Dan French, Secretary, Agency of Education

Mark Perrault, Senior Fiscal Analyst, Joint Fiscal Office

Chloe Wexler, Fiscal Data Analyst, Joint Fiscal Office

3:00 PM Adjourn

Wednesday, September 2, 2020

Meeting Details

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Meeting Record

12:30 PM Congressman Peter Welch

*Presentation to Committee - "Impact of the COVID-19
Pandemic on Children and Schools"*

Peter Welch, U.S. Congressman, Vermont

1:00 PM Coronavirus Relief Funds

For Pre-K -12 and Independent Tech Centers

Jeff Francis, Executive Director, VT Superintendents Association

Chelsea Myers, Associate Executive Director, Vermont Superintendents Association

Mark Perrault, Senior Fiscal Analyst, Joint Fiscal Office

Chloe Wexler, Fiscal Data Analyst, Joint Fiscal Office

-- Miscellaneous Education COVID-19 Bill

Sue Ceglowski, Executive Director, Vermont School Boards Association

James DesMarais, Legislative Counsel

Jeff Fannon, Executive Director, Vermont National Education Association

Jeff Francis, Executive Director, VT Superintendents Association

Dan French, Secretary, Agency of Education

Jay Nichols, Executive Director, Vermont Principals' Association

Mark Perrault, Senior Fiscal Analyst, Joint Fiscal Office

Chloe Wexler, Fiscal Data Analyst, Joint Fiscal Office

2:00 PM House Floor

4:00 PM Adjourn

Thursday, September 3, 2020

Meeting Details

**Hearing
Type** Standard

Meeting Record

12:30 PM **Coronavirus Relief Funds**

Post-Secondary, Higher Education

Sophia Howlett, President, SIT Graduate Institute

Stephen Klein, Chief Legislative Fiscal Officer, Joint
Fiscal Office

Richard Schneider, Former President, Norwich
University

Susan Stitely, President, Association of Vermont
Independent Colleges

-- **Miscellaneous Education COVID-19 Bill**

James DesMarais, Legislative Counsel

Mark Perrault, Senior Fiscal Analyst, Joint Fiscal Office

Chloe Wexler, Fiscal Data Analyst, Joint Fiscal Office

2:00 PM **House Floor**

2:30 PM **Miscellaneous Education COVID-19 Bill**

Continuation of Discussion from Previous Meeting

Bill Bates, Chief Financial Officer, Agency of Education

Mark Perrault, Senior Fiscal Analyst, Joint Fiscal Office

3:30 PM Adjourn

Friday, September 4, 2020

Meeting Details

**Hearing
Type** Standard

Meeting Record

11:00 AM Homeschoolers

*AOE Interface with Homeschoolers - Agency
Management and Data Collection*

Anne Bordonaro, Division Director, Federal and
Education Support Programs, Agency of Education
Alicia Hanrahan, Education Programs Manager, Agency
of Education
Jay Nichols, Executive Director, Vermont Principals'
Association
Mark Perrault, Senior Fiscal Analyst, Joint Fiscal Office

12:00 PM After-school Care

Support for S335

Vermont Afterschool

Holly Morehouse, Executive Director, Vermont
Afterschool, Inc.

Amy Shollenberger, Lobbyist, Hunger Free Vermont

12:30 PM Adjourn

2:00 PM House Floor

4:00 PM Adjourn

Tuesday, September 8, 2020

Meeting Details

**Hearing
Type** Standard

Meeting Record

10:00 AM House Floor

1:00 PM School Districts Without Budgets

Oxbow Unified Union School District

Danielle Corti, School Board Member, Oxbow Unified
Union School District

Brad James, Education Finance Manager, Agency of
Education

Emilie Knisley, Superintendent, Orange East
Supervisory Union

Lance Mills, Teacher, River Bend Career and Technical
Center

Beth Pearce, State Treasurer, Office of the State
Treasurer

Mark Perrault, Senior Fiscal Analyst, Joint Fiscal Office

2:00 PM **Committee Discussion**

2:30 PM **School Districts Without Budgets**

First Branch School District

Jamie Kinnarney, Superintendent, White River Valley
Supervisory Union

3:00 PM **Adjourn**

Wednesday, September 9, 2020

Meeting Details

**Hearing
Type** Standard

Meeting Record

-- **No Committee Meeting Scheduled**

2:00 PM **House Floor**

Thursday, September 10, 2020

Meeting Details

**Hearing
Type** Standard

Meeting Record

9:00 AM **Education Finance**

Joint Hearing with House Committee on Ways and Means

Brad James, Education Finance Manager, Agency of
Education

Mark Perrault, Senior Fiscal Analyst, Joint Fiscal Office

10:15 AM **Adjourn**

10:30 AM **H.663 - An act relating to expanding access to
contraceptives**

Senate Proposal of Amendment

Joint Hearing with House Committee on Human Services

Sue Ceglowski, Executive Director, Vermont School
Boards Association

Ted Fisher, Director of Communications and Legislative
Affairs, Agency of Education

Sen. Debbie Ingram, Sponsor

Shayla Livingston, Public Health Policy Advisor,
Department of Health

Jay Nichols, Executive Director, Vermont Principals'
Association

12:30 PM **Adjourn**

2:00 PM **House Floor**

Friday, September 11, 2020

Meeting Details

**Hearing
Type** Standard

Meeting Record

10:30 AM **Education Finance**

*Draft Letter Addressing COVID-related Education
Budgeting*

James DesMarais, Legislative Counsel

Brad James, Education Finance Manager, Agency of
Education

Mark Perrault, Senior Fiscal Analyst, Joint Fiscal Office

Chloe Wexler, Fiscal Data Analyst, Joint Fiscal Office

-- **Committee Discussion**

12:30 PM **Adjourn**

2:00 PM **House Floor**

Tuesday, September 15, 2020

Meeting Details

**Hearing
Type** Standard

Meeting Record

10:00 AM **House Floor**

1:00 PM **Education Finance**

*Education Budget - Senate Education Committee
Recommendations to Senate Appropriations*

Draft Letter to AOE Addressing COVID-related Education Budgeting

James DesMarais, Legislative Counsel

Mark Perrault, Senior Fiscal Analyst, Joint Fiscal Office

-- **H.663 - An act relating to expanding access to contraceptives**

Committee Discussion

Jody Lesko, Director of Programs and Implementation,
Efficiency Vermont

Daniel Reilly, Public Affairs Director, Efficiency Vermont

3:00 PM Adjourn

Wednesday, September 16, 2020

Meeting Details

Hearing Type Standard

Meeting Record

-- **No Committee Meeting Scheduled**

2:00 PM House Floor

Thursday, September 17, 2020

Meeting Details

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Meeting Record

-- **No Committee Meeting Scheduled**

2:00 PM **House Floor**

Friday, September 18, 2020

Meeting Details

Hearing Type	Standard
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Meeting Record

8:30 AM **H.969 - An act relating to making appropriations for the support of government**

Update on Education Changes Proposed by the Senate

James DesMarais, Legislative Counsel

Rep. Peter J. Fagan, House Committee on
Appropriations

10:00 AM **House Floor**

1:00 PM **Adjourn**

Tuesday, September 22, 2020

Meeting Details

**Hearing
Type** Standard

Meeting Record

8:30 AM **H.969 - An act relating to making appropriations for the support of government**

*Reactions to the Education Sections of the Budget
Approved by the Senate*

Bill Bates, Chief Financial Officer, Agency of Education

Sue Ceglowski, Executive Director, Vermont School
Boards Association

James DesMarais, Legislative Counsel

Jeff Fannon, Executive Director, Vermont National
Education Association

Jeff Francis, Executive Director, VT Superintendents
Association

Brad James, Education Finance Manager, Agency of
Education

Wendy Koenig, Federal and State Relations and
Legislative Liaison, University of Vermont

Holly Morehouse, Executive Director, Vermont
Afterschool, Inc.

Amy Shollenberger, Lobbyist, Hunger Free Vermont

Susan Stitely, President, Association of Vermont
Independent Colleges

Chloe Wexler, Fiscal Data Analyst, Joint Fiscal Office

10:00 AM **House Floor**

3:00 PM **House Floor**

Wednesday, September 23, 2020

Meeting Details

**Hearing
Type** Standard

Meeting Record

-- **No Committee Meeting Scheduled**

10:00 AM **House Floor**

3:00 PM **House Floor**

Thursday, September 24, 2020

Meeting Details

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Meeting Record

-- **No Committee Meeting Scheduled**

10:00 AM **House Floor**

3:00 PM **House Floor**

Friday, September 25, 2020

Meeting Details

Hearing Type	Standard
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Meeting Record

8:30 AM **Vermont Mask Day and Masks4Missions**

Douglas Altshuler, Founder, Masks4Missions

Kyle Dodson, Executive Director, Greater Burlington
YMCA

Doreen Kraft, Exective Director, Burlington City Arts

Timothy Lahey, MD, UVM Medical Center

10:00 AM **House Floor**

3:00 PM **House Floor**
