

The purpose of this amendment is to permit a town that has voted to withdraw from a union school district before the effective date of this act to proceed with the withdrawal process.

_____ moves to amend the bill as passed by the House by striking Sec. 6(a) and inserting in lieu thereof the following:

(a) Application of this section. This section shall apply solely to a withdrawal action initiated by a town within a union district (petitioning town) pursuant to the provisions of 16 V.S.A. § 724 that were in effect prior to the effective date of Sec. 3 of this act (former 16 V.S.A. § 724) if each of the following actions occurred prior to that date:

(1) the union district formed pursuant to the provisions of 16 V.S.A. §§ 706–706j that were in effect prior to the effective date of Sec. 3 of this act;

(2) the voters of the petitioning town approved a proposal to withdraw from the union district; and

(3) the State Board of Education has not approved or taken action to approve the withdrawal proposal or to declare that a new school district is reconstituted.