

CONFIDENTIAL
LEGISLATIVE BILL REVIEW FORM: 2016

Bill Number: **H.529** Name of Bill: **APPROVAL AND FUNDIGN OF SCHOOL CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS; RENEWABLE ENERGY**

Agency/ Dept: **Department of Buildings and General Services** Author of Bill Review: **W.L.Minoli, Deputy Commissioner**

Date of Bill Review: **May 2, 2016** Related Bills and Key Players: **N/A**

Status of Bill: (check one): Upon Introduction As passed by 1st body As passed by both

Recommended Position:

Support Oppose Remain Neutral Support with modifications identified in #8 below

Analysis of Bill

1. **Summary of bill and issue it addresses.** *Describe what the bill is intended to accomplish and why.*
Amends Title 16 V.S.A. §3448 by deleting “Refund upon sale” language for any school district that has received “Construction Aid” for new construction, renovations or major improvements in accordance with T. 16. VSA §§3448. Sec 3 of the bill requires the “Refund upon sale” still be applicable for funding of school construction projects; renewable energy. All refunds shall be deposited with the State Treasurer for future school construction aid, with effective date of July 1, 2020.
2. **Is there a need for this bill?** **Yes. This amendment offers motivations for consolidation.**
3. **What are likely to be the fiscal and programmatic implications of this bill for this Department?** **None**
4. **What might be the fiscal and programmatic implications of this bill for other departments in state government, and what is likely to be their perspective on it?** **None**
5. **What might be the fiscal and programmatic implications of this bill for others, and what is likely to be their perspective on it?** *(for example, public, municipalities, organizations, business, regulated entities, etc)*
None – This bill will support school districts regarding consolidation efforts, allow for school buildings to be transferred for a better community or municipality use.
6. **Other Stakeholders:**
N/A
 - 6.1 **Who else is likely to support the proposal and when** **N/A**
 - 6.2 **Who else is likely to oppose the proposal and why?** **N/A**
7. **Rationale for recommendation:** *Justify recommendation stated above.*
8. **Specific modifications that would be needed to recommend support of this bill:** *Not meant to rewrite bill, but rather, an opportunity to identify simple modifications that would change recommended position.*
N/A
9. **Will this bill create a new board or commission AND/OR add or remove appointees to an existing one? If so, which one and how many?** **N/A**

Secretary/Commissioner has reviewed this document: _____ Date: _____

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