

Hi Sen. Chittenden—

You asked in Committee this week whether there are current statutes that provide protection to individuals who testify to the General Assembly. S.162 has this language:

(f) A teacher shall not be subject to discipline by the teacher's employer for testifying before the General Assembly or a committee of the General Assembly or before the State Board of Education.

Please see these two links for other examples:

[3 V.S.A. § 974](#)

[21 V.S.A. 507](#)

Some of the language in these examples may improve upon the S.162 provision, so if this bill moves forward the Committee might want to further consider the wording.

Please let me know if you have questions.

Best, Jim.