

1 Committee of Conference Report on HB 242, relative to the content of an adequate education.

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3 Recommendation:

4 That the House recede from its position of nonconcurrency with the Senate amendment, and  
5 concur with the Senate amendment, and

6 That the Senate and House adopt the following new amendment to the bill as amended by the  
7 Senate, and pass the bill as so amended:

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9 Amend RSA 193-E:2, III as inserted by section 2 of the bill by replacing it with the following:

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11 III. Knowledge of the biological, physical, and earth sciences, ***including environmental***  
12 ***sciences that investigate the complex interaction of physical, chemical, and biological***  
13 ***processes that take place on the earth***, to enable them to understand and appreciate the world  
14 ***and the engineering, socio-economic, and geopolitical challenges*** around them.

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16 Amend RSA 193-E:2, VI-VII as inserted by section 2 of the bill by replacing them with the following:

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18 VI. Sound wellness and environmental practices, ***including outdoor recreation***, to enable  
19 them to enhance their own well-being, as well as that of others.

20 VII. Skills for lifelong learning, including interpersonal, ***environmental education***, and  
21 technological skills, to enable them to learn, work, ***communicate***, and participate effectively in a  
22 changing society ***and environment***.

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24 Amend the bill by replacing section 6 with the following:

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26 6 Cost of an Adequate Education. Amend RSA 193-E:2-b, I to read as follows:

27 I. The general court shall use the definition of the opportunity for an adequate education in  
28 RSA 193-E:2-a to determine the resources necessary to provide essential programs, considering  
29 educational needs. The general court shall [~~make an initial determination of~~] ***determine*** the  
30 necessary specific resource elements to be included in [~~the opportunity for~~] ***costing*** an adequate  
31 education. ***The base cost represents the essential per pupil resources to provide a general***  
32 ***education student the substantive educational content for the opportunity of an adequate***  
33 ***education as required under RSA- 193-E:2-a. In addition to funding the base cost, the***  
34 ***general court finds that students with greater educational needs require additional***

35 *differentiated aid above the base cost in order to provide these students with the*  
36 *opportunity for an adequate education. Such differentiated aid is needed for students*  
37 *who:*

38 *(a) Have special educational needs.*

39 *(b) Have limited English language proficiency.*

40 *(c) Are economically disadvantaged, or attend schools with significant*  
41 *concentrations of economically disadvantaged students. The cost of fiscal capacity*  
42 *disparity aid is a separate grant from adequacy.*

43 *I-a. In this section, "base cost" means the per pupil resources necessary to provide a*  
44 *student with the opportunity to acquire an adequate education as defined in RSA 193-E:2-a*  
45 *in situations where no additional differentiated aid is necessary to address the increased*  
46 *costs of providing that opportunity to students who have additional educational needs*  
47 *identified in paragraph I. Base cost shall include: teacher, specialty teachers, principal,*  
48 *administrative assistant, guidance counselor, library media specialist, technology*  
49 *coordinator, custodian, salary and benefits for personnel, instructional materials and*  
50 *supplies, technology, teacher professional development, facilities operation and*  
51 *maintenance, and transportation.*

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The signatures below attest to the authenticity of this Report on HB 242, relative to the content of an adequate education.

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