

HB 1463 – AS INTRODUCED

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HOUSE BILL **1463**

AN ACT relative to the definitions of “priority school” and “focus school.”

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COMMITTEE: Education

ANALYSIS

This bill amends the definitions of “priority school” and “focus school” to remove the requirement that such schools accept federal funding.

Explanation: Matter added to current law appears in ***bold italics***.
 Matter removed from current law appears [~~in brackets and struck through~~].
 Matter which is either (a) all new or (b) repealed and reenacted appears in regular type.

STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

In the Year of Our Lord Two Thousand Fourteen

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Be it Enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

1 1 School Performance and Accountability; Definitions. Amend RSA 193-H:1, IV-V to read as
2 follows:

3 IV. “Focus school” means a low performing school that [~~accepts federal funds from Title I,~~
4 ~~Part A of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act, and that~~] has the largest within-school gaps
5 between the highest achieving subgroup or subgroups of students and the lowest-achieving subgroup
6 or subgroups of students or, for a high school, has the largest within-school gaps in graduation rates.

7 V. “Priority school” means:

8 (a) A school that [~~accepts federal funds from Title I, Part A of the Elementary and~~
9 ~~Secondary Education Act, and that~~] is among the lowest performing 5 percent of schools in the state
10 based on the achievement of all students on the statewide assessment pursuant to RSA 193-C and
11 which, when measuring the achievement of all students, has demonstrated a lack of progress on the
12 statewide assessment over 3 years; or

13 (b) A high school with a graduation rate of less than 60 percent over 3 consecutive years.

14 2 Effective Date. This act shall take effect 60 days after its passage.