CHAPTER 80 HB 152 - FINAL VERSION

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HOUSE BILL **152**

AN ACT relative to the apportionment of costs in cooperative school districts.

SPONSORS: Rep. McGhee, Hills. 27

COMMITTEE: Education

ANALYSIS

This bill permits the apportionment formula for a cooperative school district to be subject to review 5 years after an article to continue the current formula was passed.

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removed from current law appears [in brackets and struckthrough.]Matter which is either (a) all new or (b) repealed and reenacted appears in regular type.

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STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

In the Year of Our Lord Two Thousand Twenty One

AN ACT

relative to the apportionment of costs in cooperative school districts.

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

1 80:1 Cooperative School Districts; Reconsideration of Apportionment Formula. Amend RSA 2 195:8 to read as follows:

3 195:8 Reconsideration Procedure. If a cooperative school district was organized prior to July 1,
4 1963, the basis for the apportionment of all such costs may be subject to review, pursuant to an
5 article for that purpose duly inserted in the warrant for a district meeting to be held at any time
6 after the expiration of the 5-year period measured from the date of the first annual meeting. If the
7 apportionment formula for a cooperative school district has been duly changed, or if an article to

8 continue the current formula has been passed at a district meeting, the basis for the 9 apportionment of all such costs may be subject to review, pursuant to an article for that purpose duly 10inserted in the warrant for a district meeting to be held at any time after the expiration of the 5-year 11 period measured from the date of the meeting at which the last change was made to the cost apportionment formula or the last article to continue the current formula was passed. In 1213either case, the cooperative school district may then by majority vote elect to apportion all such costs 14by the adoption of one of the formulas set forth in RSA 195:7, I(a), (b), or (c). Such apportionment 15may be reviewed in the same manner at any time in order to permit the enlargement of the territory 16of a school district or an increase in the number of grades for which the district shall be responsible.

17 80:2 Cooperative School Districts; Procedure for Formation. Amend RSA 195:18, III(i) to read as18 follows:

19(i) The method by which the articles of agreement may be amended with the approval of 20the board; except that no amendment may permit secession of territory. The provisions adopted under either subparagraph (e) or (g) above may be subject to review pursuant to an article for that 2122purpose duly inserted in the warrant for a district meeting which may be held at any time after the 23expiration of the 5-year period measured from the date of the first annual meeting. If the 24apportionment formula for a cooperative school district has been duly changed, or if an article to 25continue the current formula has been passed at a district meeting, the basis for the 26apportionment of all such costs may be subject to review pursuant to an article for that purpose duly 27inserted in the warrant for a district meeting which may be held at any time after the expiration of 28the 5-year period measured from the date of the meeting at which the last change was made to the 29cost apportionment or the last article to continue the current formula was passed. However, 30 such provisions may be amended at any time in order to permit the enlargement of a cooperative

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- 1 school district or an increase in the number of grades for which the cooperative school district shall
- 2 be responsible.

80:3 Effective Date. This act shall take effect 60 days after its passage.

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