# CHAPTER 131 HB 446 - FINAL VERSION

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## 2023 SESSION

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HOUSE BILL 446

AN ACT relative to participation in the education freedom accounts program by students with

disabilities.

SPONSORS: Rep. Cornell, Hills. 22; Rep. Ellison, Merr. 28; Rep. Heath, Hills. 41; Rep. Hamer, Hills.

19; Rep. Luneau, Merr. 9; Rep. Tanner, Sull. 5; Rep. Woodcock, Carr. 1; Rep.

Grossman, Rock. 11; Rep. P. Schmidt, Straf. 14; Rep. Staub, Hills. 25

COMMITTEE: Education

#### **ANALYSIS**

This bill clarifies the responsibility of a scholarship organization under the education freedom accounts program for explaining rights under the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA).

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Matter which is either (a) all new or (b) repealed and reenacted appears in regular type.

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relative to participation in the education freedom accounts program by students with disabilities.

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

131:1 Education Freedom Accounts. Amend RSA 194-F:4, III to read as follows:

III. The scholarship organization shall ensure that parents of students with disabilities receive [notice that participation in the EFA program is a parental placement under 20 U.S.C. section 1412, Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA), along with an explanation of the rights that parentally placed students possess and waive under IDEA and any applicable state laws] a written explanation of their rights to services pursuant to federal and state law specific to the education options available in the EFA program. The explanation shall be developed and maintained by the department of education, bureau of special education support.

131:2 Effective Date. This act shall take effect 60 days after its passage.

Approved: June 30, 2023

Effective Date: August 29, 2023