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AN ACT CONCERNING MINOR REVISIONS AND ADDITIONS TO  
THE EDUCATION STATUTES.

## AMENDMENT

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### ***OFA Fiscal Note***

#### ***State Impact:***

Agency Affected	Fund-Effect	FY 19 \$	FY 20 \$
Education, Dept.	GF - Potential Cost	See Below	None

Note: GF=General Fund

#### ***Municipal Impact:***

Municipalities	Effect	FY 19 \$	FY 20 \$
Various Municipalities	See Below	See Below	None

### ***Explanation***

The amendment results in a fiscal impact to municipalities and a potential cost to the state in FY 19, as it will increase vocational agriculture school enrollment compared to what likely would have occurred in the amendment's absence. The amendment requires sending school districts to allow students to attend vocational agriculture schools in FY 19, if the students were either enrolled the previous academic year or were admitted for the FY 19 school year.

The amendment is a cost to any school districts that would have otherwise prevented such students from attending vocational agricultural schools, and an equivalent revenue gain to the vocational

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agricultural schools. The amount of the district cost and vocational agriculture school gain is the number of such students multiplied by the district vocational agriculture school tuition. The district vocational agriculture school tuition is based on a percent of the Education Cost Sharing (ECS) grant foundation amount.

The amendment also results in a potential cost to the state and a potential redistribution of state funds among the vocational agriculture schools. The state grant to vocational agriculture schools is a statutory per-student amount, within available appropriations. To the extent the bill results in increased vocational agriculture school enrollment, and accordingly the state grant to those schools is increased to maintain the FY 18 per-student grant amount, a General Fund cost in FY 19 will occur. If the state grant is not increased, and vocational agriculture school enrollment rises, the vocational agriculture schools will: (1) on average, receive a lower per-pupil grant; and (2) experience a redistribution of state grant funds based on school-level enrollment changes.

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