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ESSA State Plan: Recommendation Form

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Question(s) being considered: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Will Maintenance of Effort (MOE) continue to be calculated by the AOE's fiscal department, going forward? 					
What ESSA requirements need to be met? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ESSA largely preserves the calculation of MOE outlined in the previous authorization of ESEA: No Child Left Behind. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ESSA adds an option for LEAs to qualify for a waiver on MOE due to a change in the LEA's organizational structure. ESSA also added a statement that requires that if an LEA fails the MOE test, its funding for the covered programs will be reduced if the LEA has also failed the test 1 or more times in the past 5 years. 					
Solution being proposed: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> AOE will largely continue current practice, with the fiscal department continuing to calculate MOE, using a modified calculation that reflects the changes to ESEA described in ESSA. 					
Rationale: Explain why your proposal supports each decision logic element below: <i>Equity:</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> MOE is designed to ensure that LEA funding levels remain consistent from year to year, ensuring that students who need additional supports to succeed continue to receive them. <i>Alignment with current VT policy and practice:</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This largely represents a continuation of current practice. <i>Efficiency (streamlining processes, eliminating duplicative systems or requirements):</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This largely represents a continuation of current practice, and will create no duplicative systems. <i>Possibility (implementation feasibility for the AOE and impacted stakeholders):</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This largely represents a continuation of practice, and will impose no new implementation burden. 					
What are the expected benefits associated with your proposed solution: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Continuity of practice in this situation creates a logistical benefit to the AOE, while allowing Vermont to meet the requirements of ESSA. 					
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<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Confirm recommendation of ESSA State Plan Management Team <input type="checkbox"/> Reject recommendation of ESSA State Plan Management Team and offer the following as an alternative:					