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## **Modified Unified Union School Districts – text of law**

## 2012 No. 156, Sec. 17; as amended by 2013 No. 56, Sec. 3

## Sec. 17. MODIFIED UNIFIED UNION SCHOOL DISTRICT [MUUSD]

- (a) Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary:
- (1)(A) if all local elementary school districts in the member towns of an existing union high school or union middle school-high school district ("union high school district") vote whether to establish a unified union school district providing prekindergarten or kindergarten through grade 12; and
- (B) if a majority but not all of the elementary school districts, or any number greater than a majority as required by the report approved under 16 V.S.A. § 706c, including all districts that may be named in the report as "necessary," votes in favor of establishing the unified union school district; then, if the warning for the vote clearly provides,
- (2) a new modified union school district (the "modified union school district") shall be established that shall:
- (A) provide to the students residing in the member towns of the union high school district education in those grades provided by the union high school district; and
- (B) provide elementary education to the students residing in the current elementary school districts that voted in favor of the unified union school district.
  - (b) Establishment of the modified union school district shall:
- (1) dissolve the union high school district, and any assets or liabilities held by the union high school district shall be transferred to the modified union school district; and
- (2) dissolve the elementary school districts that voted in favor of establishing the unified union school district, and any assets or liabilities they hold as individual districts shall be transferred to the modified union school district.
- (c) Notwithstanding provisions of No. 153 of the Acts of the 2009 Adj. Sess. (2010) as amended by this act to the contrary, the modified union school district is eligible for the incentives provided to a regional education district ("RED") in Sec. 4 of that act, provided that the modified union school district complies with the employment and labor relations provisions of Sec. 4(g) of that act and further provided that the effective date of the merger into the modified union school district is within the period required for RED formation.
  - (d) This section is repealed on July 1, 2017.

<u>Note</u>: This document is provided for guidance only and does not have the force of law. See the underlying statutes and/or Acts for more detail.

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