## Statement of Principle

"[I]n Vermont the right to education is so integral to our constitutional form of government, and its guarantees of political and civil rights, that any statutory framework that infringes upon the equal enjoyment of that right bears a commensurate heavy burden of justification." <u>Brigham v. State</u>, 166 Vt. 246, 256, 692 A.2d 384 (1997).