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HOUSE BILL ***513***

AN ACT authorizing the state veterans' advisory committee to accept gifts, grants, and donations for payment of the committee's costs, prohibiting the inclusion of statewide assessment results in a student's transcript without consent, and relative to assessments administered to pupils in grades 3 through 8.

SPONSORS: Rep. Baldasaro, Rock. 5; Rep. Burt, Hills. 39; Rep. R. Ober, Hills. 37; Rep. L. Ober, Hills. 37; Rep. Leishman, Hills. 24; Rep. Theberge, Coos 3; Rep. Weyler, Rock. 13; Sen. Carson, Dist 14; Sen. French, Dist 7; Sen. Avard, Dist 12

COMMITTEE: State-Federal Relations and Veterans Affairs

AMENDED ANALYSIS

This bill:

I. Authorizes the state veterans' advisory committee to accept gifts, grants, and donations for payment of the committee's costs.

II. Provides that a student's statewide assessment results shall not be a part of a student's transcript.

III. Amends the schedule for a school district to administer the statewide assessment and requires a school district to develop and administer an assessment in those years in which the statewide assessment is not administered.

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Explanation: Matter added to current law appears in ***bold italics***.
 Matter removed from current law appears ~~[in brackets and struck through.]~~
 Matter which is either (a) all new or (b) repealed and reenacted appears in regular type.

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

1 142:1 State Veterans' Advisory Committee. Amend RSA 115-A:8 to read as follows:

2 115-A:8 State Veterans' Advisory Committee.

3 ***I.*** Each non-legislative member of the state veterans' advisory committee shall serve a 2-
4 year term of office from the date of the member's appointment, and may be reappointed. Legislative
5 members of the committee shall serve a term coterminous with their term in office. The committee
6 members shall choose a chairman, vice-chairman, and a secretary from their committee
7 membership.

8 ***II.*** The committee may, by a majority vote of the committee members, adopt bylaws
9 governing the management and operation of the committee.

10 ***III.*** The committee shall issue biannual reports of its actions, findings, and
11 recommendations on May 1 and November 1 of each year to the speaker of the house, the president
12 of the senate, the governor and council, and all veterans' organizations in the state.

13 ***IV.*** ***The committee shall have the authority to accept and expend funds from any***
14 ***public or private source, including private gifts, grants, and donations. The funds shall***
15 ***be used exclusively to pay the costs of the committee in performing its duties. Any funds***
16 ***accepted or expended shall be included in the biannual reports under paragraph III.***

17 142:2 Statewide Education Improvement and Assessment Program; Assessment Required. RSA
18 193-C:6 is repealed and reenacted to read as follows:

19 193-C:6 Assessment Required. A statewide assessment shall be administered in all school
20 districts in the state once in an elementary school grade, once in a middle school grade, and one
21 grade in high school. For those years in grades 3 through 8 in which the school district does not
22 administer the statewide assessment, the school district, in consultation with the department and
23 as part of the statewide education improvement and assessment program, shall develop and
24 administer its own assessment or shall administer a standardized assessment that identifies a
25 pupil's range of learning and yields objective data to use in improving instruction and learning. All
26 public school students in the designated grades shall participate in the assessment, unless such
27 student is exempted, or provided that the commissioner of the department of education may,

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1 through an agreement with another state when such state and New Hampshire are parties to an
2 interstate agreement, allow pupils to participate in that state's assessment program as an
3 alternative to the assessment required under this chapter. Home educated students may contact
4 their local school districts if they wish to participate in the statewide assessment. Private schools
5 may contact the department of education to participate in the statewide assessment. The
6 department may use the College Board SAT or ACT college readiness assessment to satisfy the high
7 school assessment requirements of this chapter. The statewide assessment results of a student or
8 the student's school district shall not be included as part of the student's transcript unless the
9 student, if 18 years of age or older, or the student's parent or legal guardian if the student is under
10 18 years of age, consents.

11 142:3 Effective Date. This act shall take effect 60 days after its passage.

Approved: June 16, 2017
Effective Date: August 15, 2017

