

Adequacy/Distribution Workgroup
Commission to Study School Funding
Sept. 29, 2020, 3-5 pm

- 3:00 Call to order, check tech, roll call
- 3:15 Costing Adequacy—discussion of statutory language re: cost modeling and outcomes-based policy (draft recommendation for full Commission action)

E:2-b, current: <https://www.gencourt.state.nh.us/rsa/html/xv/193-e/193-e-mrg.htm#:~:text=E%3A2%2Db-.193%2DE%3A2%2Db,Cost%20of%20an%20Adequate%20Education.%20%E2%80%93&text=The%20general%20court%20shall%20use,essential%20programs%2C%20considering%20educational%20needs>

E:2-b, alternative language:

- I. To determine the cost of an opportunity for an adequate education as defined in RSA 193-E:2-a, the general court will apply an Education Cost Model to identify the costs necessary for students to achieve measurable student outcomes (as defined in RSA 193-E:3-c [may need to revise that language to be consistent here]) such that all students have a comparable opportunity for an adequate education regardless of need or location of the district in which they are enrolled. The costs necessary to achieve a comparable (equitable?) outcome may be weighted for individual students whose needs exceed those of the average student. The general court shall make an initial determination of the cost and subsequent funding necessary to support the opportunity for an adequate education as evidenced by measured student outcomes.
- II. The general court shall create a process for the periodic determination of the cost and funding necessary to provide the opportunity for an adequate education. The review should occur no less frequently than every 5 (10?) years.

Note: RSA 193-E:3-b calls for an “input-based accountability system” and E:3-c references a “performance-based accountability system.”

- 3:45 Transportation – included or separate from base adequacy formula?
- 4:00 Other outstanding issues—
- Further consideration of grade level and school size factors, including cliff-effect protections
 - Treatment of debt service
 - Resolution of cooperative district questions
- 4:45 Workgroup schedule, October and November
- 5:00 Adjourn