Introduced by Representatives Till of Jericho, Atkins of Winooski, Bohi of Hartford, Cheney of Norwich, Christie of Hartford, Consejo of Sheldon, Evans of Essex, Gilbert of Fairfax, Howrigan of Fairfield, Kitzmiller of Montpelier, Lenes of Shelburne, Masland of Thetford, Munger of South Burlington, Shand of Weathersfield, Townsend of Randolph and Waite-Simpson of Essex

Referred to Committee on

Date:

Subject: Health; public health; communicable diseases; immunizations

Statement of purpose: This bill proposes to eliminate a philosophical exemption from the requirement that all children attending school and child care facilities receive immunizations specified by the department of health.

An act relating to requiring immunizations for attendance at school and child care facilities

It is hereby enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Vermont:
Sec. 1. 18 V.S.A. § 1122(a) is amended to read:

§ 1122. EXEMPTIONS

(a) A person may remain in school or in the child care facility without a required immunization:

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(3) If the person, or in the case of a minor the person’s parent or guardian states in writing that the person, parent, or guardian has religious beliefs or philosophical convictions opposed to immunization.

Sec. 2. EFFECTIVE DATE

This act shall take effect on passage.