



**STATE OF VERMONT**  
General Assembly

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Members of the State Board of Education:

We are writing as a group of legislators concerned about the lack of accessibility for State Board of Education meetings. We do appreciate that meetings are held virtually so as to maximize opportunities for participation, however only having a phone option for participation is limiting and yields a notable challenge for accessibility. This has been particularly limiting when board members use and refer to materials being shared in a written chat and on their screens.

A number of people have raised concerns and were met with vague responses and a lack of action. Since these meetings are in fact public meetings, they must comply with Vermont Open Meeting Law. Therefore, all components that are outside of an executive session must be made fully accessible to the public.

We urge you to make all upcoming meetings accessible in their entirety by: publicizing a Teams link in addition to a call-in option, uploading and sharing all documents utilized and discussed in the meeting, and offering a recording of the meetings to the public.

Thank you,

Rep. Mary-Katherine Stone  
Rep. Angela Arsenault  
Rep. Rebecca Holcombe  
Rep. Edye Graning  
Rep. Daisy Berbeco  
Rep. Emilie Krasnow  
Rep. Elizabeth Burrows  
Rep. Theresa Wood  
Rep. Laura Sibia  
Rep. Tesha Buss  
Rep. Chea Waters Evans  
Rep. Erin Brady  
Rep. Emma Mulvaney-Stanak  
Rep. Jonathan Williams  
Rep. Esme Cole  
Rep. Kevin Coach Christie