

1 TO THE HONORABLE SENATE:

2 The Committee on Government Operations to which was referred House
3 Bill No. 490 entitled “An act relating to approving the merger of the Village of
4 Lyndonville with the Town of Lyndon” respectfully reports that it has
5 considered the same and recommends that the Senate propose to the House that
6 the bill be amended as follows:

7 First: In Sec. 2, 24 App. V.S.A. chapter 126 (Town of Lyndon), in
8 section 12 (adoption of ordinances by initiative), in subsection (a), by
9 renumbering subdivisions (2), (3), and (4) to be subdivisions (3), (4), and (5),
10 and by adding a new subdivision (2) to read as follows:

11 (2) The proposed ordinance shall be examined by the Town attorney
12 before being submitted to the special Town meeting. The Town attorney is
13 authorized, subject to the approval of the Selectboard, to amend the petitioned
14 ordinance to:

15 (A) correct repetitive, unlawful, or unconstitutional provisions; and
16 (B) ensure accuracy, clarity, and precision in its text, legal references,
17 and phrasing, provided that these technical corrections shall not change the
18 meaning or effect of the proposed ordinance.

19 Second: In Sec. 2, 24 App. V.S.A. chapter 126 (Town of Lyndon), in
20 section 42 (Town meetings), in subsection (b), following the word “The” by

1 striking out the words “ballot boxes” and inserting in lieu thereof the words
2 polling places

3 Third: In Sec. 2, 24 App. V.S.A. chapter 126 (Town of Lyndon), in
4 section 82 (Board of Electric Commissioners), in subsection (f), by striking out
5 the word “and” following the semicolon at the end of subdivision (1); by
6 striking out the period at the end of subdivision (2) and inserting in lieu thereof
7 ; and; and in subdivision (3), by striking out the word “Consistent” and
8 inserting in lieu thereof the word consistent

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12 (Committee vote: _____)

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Senator _____

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FOR THE COMMITTEE