

STATE OF VERMONT

MEMORANDUM

To: Members of the Legislative Committee on Administrative Rules (LCAR)

From: Sen. Virginia Lyons, Senate Committee on Health and Welfare, Chair

Rep. Ann Pugh, House Committee on Human Services, Chair

Date: October 19, 2022

Subject: 22-E15 Transitional Housing Program Emergency Rules

Multiple committees considered the Transitional Housing Program during the FY22 budget adjustment process and the FY23 budget process. Upon reviewing 22-E15, the emergency rule pertaining to the Transitional Housing Program, the Chairs of the Senate Committee on Health and Welfare and the House Committee on Human Services believe that the rule does not meet legislative intent pursuant to 3 V.S.A. § 842(b)(2). Specifically, the policy committee chairs object to the Department for Children and Families' addition of an October 1, 2022, deadline for receipt of new applications. By including this deadline, the Department has in effect limited the Program to those recipients already receiving services and omits those individuals who may still need services at a future date, which was never contemplated by the policy committees.