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2 SHORT FORM

3 Introduced by Representatives Wizowaty of Burlington, Fisher of Lincoln,

4 Koch of Barre Town, Leriche of Hardwick, McFaun of Barre

5 Town, Mrowicki of Putney and Till of Jericho

6 Referred to Committee on

7 Date:

8 Subject: Health care; medical malpractice; no-fault compensation system

9 Statement of purpose: This bill proposes to establish a no-fault compensation
10 system for medical injury claims based upon the one which New Zealand
11 instituted in 1974 to replace its litigation-based medical malpractice system.

12 The bill would create a fund from which persons who suffered medical injuries
13 would be compensated, regardless of fault on the part of the provider. The
14 fund would offer more timely compensation to a greater number of injured
15 patients and more effective processes for complaint resolution and provider
16 accountability.

17 An act relating to establishing a no-fault compensation system for medical
18 injury claims

19 It is hereby enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Vermont:

20 (TEXT OMITTED IN SHORT-FORM BILLS)