

1 S.296

2 Introduced by Committee on Institutions

3 Date:

4 Subject: State property; John H. Boylan state airport; sale or lease

5 Statement of purpose: This bill proposes to authorize the secretary of
6 transportation to sell or lease the John H. Boylan state airport in Brighton.

7 An act relating to sale or lease of the John H. Boylan state airport

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

9 Sec. 1. SALE OR LEASE OF THE JOHN H. BOYLAN STATE AIRPORT

10 (a) Pursuant to the provisions of 5 V.S.A. § 204(3), the secretary of
11 transportation is authorized to sell or lease the John H. Boylan state airport to
12 the town of Brighton or to the Vermont Renewable Energy Company, LLC,
13 d/b/a Vermont Biomass Energy (or its assignee) at fair market value.

14 (b) The state shall retain an ownership interest in the area which may be
15 used as a helipad on the property that is accessible for authorized uses.

16 (c) The property shall be conveyed subject to a condition that the property
17 will revert to the state of Vermont on terms and conditions negotiated by the
18 parties.

19 (d) Any purchaser or lessor shall agree to accept assignment of the state of
20 Vermont's interest in current leases on the property.

1 (e) In the event that the town of Brighton or Vermont Biomass Energy (or
2 its assignee) does not purchase or lease the entire parcel, the secretary of
3 transportation is authorized to sell the residence and up to an acre of associated
4 land on the airport property to the highest bidder, provided that the residence
5 and land shall not be sold for less than fair market value.

6 (f) Proceeds from the state of Vermont's sales or leases authorized by this
7 section shall be deposited into the transportation fund, except for up to
8 \$5,000.00 which may be used by the agency of transportation to create a
9 memorial park at a location mutually agreed upon by the town of Brighton and
10 by the agency to commemorate the contributions to the state of Vermont of the
11 late Senator John H. Boylan and the late Essex District Probate Court Judge
12 Lena Boylan.

13 Sec. 2. EFFECTIVE DATE

14 This act shall take effect on passage.