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Introduced by Representatives Koch of Barre Town, Donahue of Northfield,
Fisher of Lincoln and Johnson of South Hero

Referred to Committee on

Date:

Subject: Health; mental health; oversight committee; appointments

Statement of purpose: This bill proposes to require that the mental health oversight committee be composed of members from both chambers and that appointments be made by the standing committees having jurisdiction over mental health legislation.

An act relating to appointments to the mental health oversight committee

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

Sec. 1. Sec. 141c of No. 122 of the Acts of the 2003 Adj. Sess. (2004), as amended by Sec. 124b of No. 65 of the Acts of 2007, is amended to read:

Sec. 141c. THE MENTAL HEALTH OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE

(a) The mental health oversight committee is created to ensure that consumers have access to a comprehensive and adequate continuum of mental health services. The committee shall be composed of ~~one member from each of the house committees on human services, institutions, and appropriations and a member at large to be appointed by the speaker of the house, not all~~

1 ~~from the same party, and one member from each of the senate committees on~~
2 ~~health and welfare, institutions, and appropriations and one member at large to~~
3 ~~be appointed by the committee on committees, not all from the same party~~ four
4 members of the house of representatives appointed by the house committee on
5 human services and four members of the senate appointed by the senate
6 committee on health and welfare. ~~Initial appointments~~ Appointments shall be
7 made ~~upon passage~~ as vacancies occur on the committee.

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9 Sec. 2. EFFECTIVE DATE

10 This act shall take effect on passage.