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2 Representative Poirier of Barre City moves that the House Proposal of  
3 Amendment be further amended as follows:

4 First: In Sec. 1, 8 V.S.A. § 4062, in subdivision (c)(3)(A), following  
5 “chapter 229”, by inserting “and the Office of the Mental Health Care  
6 Ombudsman established pursuant to 18 V.S.A. § 7259”

7 Second: In Sec. 1, 8 V.S.A. § 4062, in subdivision (c)(3)(B), following  
8 “Advocate”, by inserting “and the Office of the Mental Health Care  
9 Ombudsman”

10 Third: In Sec. 1, 8 V.S.A. § 4062, in subdivision (d)(2)(B), following  
11 “Advocate”, by striking out the word “poses” and inserting in lieu thereof “and  
12 the Office of the Mental Health Ombudsman pose” and by striking out the  
13 word “Office’s” and inserting in lieu thereof the word “Offices”

14 Fourth: In Sec. 1, 8 V.S.A. § 4062, by striking out subdivision (d)(2)(C),  
15 and inserting in lieu thereof a new subdivision (d)(2)(C) to read:

16 (C) all questions the Board, the Board’s contracting actuary, if any,  
17 the Department, the Office of the Health Care Advocate, or the Office of the  
18 Mental Health Care Ombudsman pose to the insurer and the insurer’s  
19 responses to those questions.

20 Fifth: In Sec. 1, 8 V.S.A. § 4062, in subdivision (e)(1)(B), following  
21 “Advocate.”, by inserting “the Office of the Mental Health Care Ombudsman.”

1        Sixth: In Sec. 1, 8 V.S.A. § 4062, in subsection (g), following “Advocate,”  
2        by inserting “the Office of the Mental Health Care Ombudsman,”

3        Seventh: By striking out Sec. 14 in its entirety and inserting in lieu thereof  
4        a new Sec. 14 to read as follows:

5        Sec. 14. 18 V.S.A. § 9374(f) is amended to read:

6        (f) In carrying out its duties pursuant to this chapter, the ~~board~~ Board shall  
7        seek ~~the advice of the state health care ombudsman established in 8 V.S.A.~~  
8        ~~§ 4089w~~ from the Office of the Health Care Advocate and the Office of the  
9        Mental Health Care Ombudsman. ~~The state health care ombudsman~~ Offices  
10       shall advise the ~~board~~ Board regarding the policies, procedures, and rules  
11       established pursuant to this chapter. ~~The ombudsman~~ Offices shall represent  
12       the interests of Vermont patients and Vermont consumers of health insurance  
13       and may suggest policies, procedures, or rules to the ~~board~~ Board in order to  
14       protect patients’ and consumers’ interests.

15       Eighth: In Sec. 15, 18 V.S.A. § 9377(e), following “Advocate,” by  
16       inserting “the Office of the Mental Health Care Ombudsman,”

17       Ninth: In Sec. 16, 18 V.S.A. § 9410(a)(2), in subdivision (B), following  
18       “Advocate,” by inserting “the Office of the Mental Health Care Ombudsman,”

19       Tenth: In Sec. 17, 18 V.S.A. § 9440(c), in subdivision (9), following “of  
20       this title”, by inserting “, the Office of the Mental Health Care Ombudsman  
21       established pursuant to section 7259 of this title,”

1        Eleventh: In Sec. 18, 18 V.S.A. § 9445(b), following “Advocate”, by  
2        inserting “, the Office of the Mental Health Care Ombudsman”

3        Twelfth: In Sec. 19, 33 V.S.A. § 1805, in subdivision (16), following  
4        “Advocate”, by inserting “and the Office of the Mental Health Care  
5        Ombudsman”

6        Thirteenth: In Sec. 20, 33 V.S.A. § 1807(b), in subdivision (4), following  
7        “Advocate”, by inserting “, the Office of the Mental Health Care  
8        Ombudsman,”