

1 TO THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES:

2 The Committee on Fish, Wildlife and Water Resources to which was referred
3 House Bill No. 217 entitled “An act relating to potable water or wastewater
4 system permits for a change in use of a building” respectfully reports that it has
5 considered the same and recommends that the bill be amended by striking out
6 all after the enacting clause and inserting in lieu thereof the following:

7 Sec. 1. 10 V.S.A. § 1976 is amended to read:

8 § 1976. DELEGATION OF AUTHORITY TO MUNICIPALITIES

9 (a)(1) The Secretary may delegate to a municipality authority to:

10 (A) implement all sections of this chapter, except for sections 1975
11 and 1978 of this title; or

12 (B) implement permitting under this chapter for the subdivision of
13 land, a building or structure, or a campground when the subdivision, building
14 or structure, or campground is served by sewerage connections and water
15 service lines, provided that:

16 (i) the lot, building or structure, or campground utilizes both a
17 sanitary sewer service line and a water service line; and

18 (ii) the water main and sanitary sewer collection line that the water
19 service line and sanitary sewer service line are connected to are owned and
20 controlled by the delegated municipality.

1 (2) If a municipality submits a written request for delegation of this
2 chapter, the ~~secretary~~ Secretary shall delegate authority to the municipality to
3 implement and administer provisions of this chapter, the rules adopted under
4 this chapter, and the enforcement provisions of chapter 201 of this title relating
5 to this chapter, provided that the ~~secretary~~ Secretary is satisfied that the
6 municipality:

7 (A) has established a process for accepting, reviewing, and
8 processing applications and issuing permits, which shall adhere to the rules
9 established by the ~~secretary~~ Secretary for potable water supplies and
10 wastewater systems, including permits, by rule, for sewerage connections;

11 (B) has hired, appointed, or retained on contract, or will hire, appoint,
12 or retain on contract, a licensed designer to perform technical work which must
13 be done by a municipality under this section to grant permits;

14 (C) will take timely and appropriate enforcement actions pursuant to
15 the authority of chapter 201 of this title;

16 (D) commits to reporting annually to the ~~secretary~~ Secretary on a
17 form and date determined by the ~~secretary~~ Secretary; ~~and~~

18 (E) will only issue permits for water service lines and sanitary sewer
19 service lines when there is adequate capacity in the public water supply system
20 source, wastewater treatment facility, or indirect discharge system; and

