



January 27, 2016

Honorable David Deen, Chair
House Fish, Wildlife and Water Committee
State House
115 State St.
Montpelier VT 05633

Dear Chairman Deen,

I am writing on behalf of the 246 member cities and towns of VLCT to express our strong support for H. 518, the bill that would diversify the membership of the Clean Water Fund Board. We continue to be concerned that the entire membership is comprised of agency secretaries and commissioners because the very strong tendency will be to fund state agency priorities instead of sending much needed dollars to municipalities to help them undertake the many mandates imposed or anticipated by Act 64. We saw that tendency in action this year, as is evidenced by the funding choices the Board made.

We urge your committee to pass H. 518 and to include municipal representation on the Clean Water Fund Board.

Sincerely,

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