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Favorable with Amendment

H. 38

An act relating to the membership of the Clean Water Fund Board

Rep. Beyor of Highgate, for the Committee on Natural Resources; Fish & Wildlife, recommends the bill be amended by striking all after the enacting clause and inserting in lieu thereof the following:

Sec. 1. 10 V.S.A. § 1389 is amended to read:

§ 1389. CLEAN WATER FUND BOARD

(a) Creation. There is created a Clean Water Fund Board which shall recommend to the Secretary of Administration expenditures from the Clean Water Fund. The Clean Water Fund Board shall be attached to the Agency of Administration for administrative purposes.

(b) Organization of the Board. The Clean Water Fund Board shall be composed of:

- (1) ~~the~~ The Secretary of Administration or designee;
- (2) ~~the~~ The Secretary of Natural Resources or designee;
- (3) ~~the~~ The Secretary of Agriculture, Food and Markets or designee;
- (4) ~~the~~ The Secretary of Commerce and Community Development or designee; ~~and~~.
- (5) ~~the~~ The Secretary of Transportation or designee.
- (6) Six members of the public to be appointed as follows:
 - (A) The Speaker of the House of Representatives shall appoint three members of the public, one of whom shall be a municipal official.
 - (B) The Committee on Committees shall appoint three members of the public, one of whom shall be a municipal official.
 - (C) Of the members appointed under this subdivision (6), it is the intent of the General Assembly that at any one time a member representing

each of the following major watersheds shall be serving on the Board:

- (i) the Connecticut River watershed;
- (ii) the Hudson River watershed;
- (iii) the Lake Champlain watershed; and
- (iv) the Lake Memphramagog watershed.

(c) Officers; committees; rules; reimbursement.

(1) The Clean Water Fund Board shall annually elect a chair from its members. The Clean Water Fund Board may elect additional officers from its members, establish committees or subcommittees, and adopt procedural rules as necessary and appropriate to perform its work.

(2) Members of the Board who are not employees of the State of Vermont, who are not legislators, and who are not otherwise compensated or reimbursed for their attendance shall be entitled to per diem compensation and reimbursement of expenses pursuant to 32 V.S.A. § 1010 paid from the budget of the Agency of Administration for attendance of meetings of the Board. Legislative members of the Board shall be entitled to per diem compensation and reimbursement of expenses pursuant to 2 V.S.A. § 406.

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(g) Terms; appointed members. Members who are appointed to the Clean Water Fund Board shall be appointed for terms of three years, except initially, appointments shall be made such that two members appointed by the Speaker shall be appointed for a term of two years, and two members appointed by the Committee on Committees shall be appointed for a term of one year. Vacancies on the Board shall be filled for the remaining period of the term in the same manner as initial appointments.

Sec. 2. EFFECTIVE DATE

This act shall take effect on passage.

(Committee Vote: 8-0-1)

Rep. Helm of Fair Haven, for the Committee on Appropriations, recommends the bill ought to pass when amended as recommended by the Committee on Natural Resources; Fish & Wildlife.

(Committee Vote: 11-0-0)

Favorable

S. 1

An act relating to the determination of average daily membership for the 2016–2017 school year and equalized pupil count for fiscal year 2018

Reps. Cupoli of Rutland City, for the Committee on Education, recommends that the bill ought to pass in concurrence.

(Committee Vote: 11-0-0)

(For text see Senate Journal January 24, 2017)

Rep. Wright of Burlington, for the Committee on Ways and Means, recommends that the bill ought to pass in concurrence.

(Committee Vote: 10-0-1)

(For text see Senate Journal January 24, 2017)

NOTICE CALENDAR

Favorable

S. 2

An act relating to information sharing by the Commissioner of Financial Regulation

Rep. Myers of Essex, for the Committee on Commerce and Economic Development, recommends that the bill ought to pass in concurrence.

(Committee Vote: 11-0-0)

(For text see Senate Journal January 20, 2017)

Consent Calendar

Concurrent Resolutions

The following concurrent resolutions have been introduced for approval by the Senate and House and will be adopted automatically unless a Senator or Representative requests floor consideration before the end of the session of the next legislative day. Requests for floor consideration in either chamber should be communicated to the Secretary's office and/or the House Clerk's office, respectively. For text of resolutions, see Addendum to House Calendar and Senate Calendar.

H.C.R. 26

House concurrent resolution commemorating the 225th anniversary of the Town of Mount Holly

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H.C.R. 30

House concurrent resolution designating the month of February 2017 as Self-Care Month in Vermont

Public Hearing on Raising the Minimum Wage

The House Committee on General, Housing, and Military Affairs will hold a hearing to take public comment on Thursday, February 9, from 7:00-8:30 pm in the House Chamber of the State House in Montpelier, VT.

Please note that there will be a time-limit to testify. Additionally, comments may also be submitted in writing at the hearing. For those unable to participate in the hearing, written comments may be submitted to Ron Wild, Committee Assistant, House Committee on General, Housing, and Military Affairs, 115 State Street, Montpelier, VT 05620 via postal service, or via e-mail at rwild@leg.state.vt.us.

Additionally, for the health and consideration of members of the committee and others, please use unscented body and cosmetic products and refrain from using perfume, or cologne.

PUBLIC HEARING

Joint Community-Based Public Hearings on Fiscal Year 2018 State budget
House and Senate Committees on Appropriations

Monday, February 13, 2017, 6:00 - 7:00 p.m. – The Vermont House and Senate Committees on Appropriations are seeking public input on the FY2018 proposed State budget and will hold joint public hearings Monday, February 13, 2017, 6:00 – 7:00 p.m. at 6 locations across the State.

Bellows Falls: Windham Antique Center, 5 The Square.

Johnson: Johnson State College, Bentley 207.

Rutland City: Rutland Public Schools, Longfellow School Building.

St. Albans City: St. Albans City Elementary School, Library.

St. Johnsbury: The St. Johnsbury School, Cafeteria.

Winooski: Community College of Vermont, Janice Couture Room (108).

The Committees will take testimony on the Governor's FY 2018 State budget proposal at that time. Anyone interested in testifying should come to one of the hearings. Time limits on testimony may apply depending on volume of participants.

For more information about the format of these events, or to submit written testimony, e-mail Theresa Utton-Jerman at tutton@leg.state.vt.us or Rebecca Buck at rbuck@leg.state.vt.us, or call 802-828-5767 or 802-828-2295. Requests for interpreters should be made to the office by 3:00 p.m. on Monday, January 30, 2017.

PUBLIC HEARING

Public Hearings on Fiscal Year 2018 State Budget
House Committees on Appropriations

Thursday, February 16, 2017, 6:00 - 7:00 p.m. – The Vermont House Committee on Appropriations is seeking public input on the FY2018 proposed State budget and will hold an additional public hearing on Thursday, February 16, 2017, 6:00 – 7:00 p.m. in room 11 of the State House.

The Committee will take testimony on the Governor's FY 2018 State budget proposal at that time. Anyone interested in testifying should come to the hearing. Time limits on testimony will likely apply depending on volume of participants.

For more information about the format of these events, or to submit written testimony, e-mail Theresa Utton-Jerman at tutton@leg.state.vt.us or call 802-828-5767 or toll-free 1-800-322-5616.

Information Notice

Ethics Training for the House of Representatives

Wednesday, Feb. 8th, the House will hold an ethics training from 9:00-10:00 AM in the House chamber. Mark Quiner from NCSL will be returning to do this training, like he did last biennium.

Please let Rep. Deen or Betsy Ann Wrask know if you have any questions.