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ACTION CALENDAR

NEW BUSINESS

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Favorable

H. 190.

An act relating to removing the residency requirement from Vermont's patient choice at end of life laws.

Reported favorably by Senator Lyons for the Committee on Health and Welfare.

(Committee vote: 4-1-0)

H. 271.

An act relating to approval of amendments to the charter of the Town of Springfield.

Reported favorably by Senator Clarkson for the Committee on Government Operations.

(Committee vote: 6-0-0)

Favorable with Proposal of Amendment

H. 89.

An act relating to civil and criminal procedures concerning legally protected health care activity.

Reported favorably with recommendation of proposal of amendment by Senator Hashim for the Committee on Judiciary.

The Committee recommends that the Senate propose to the House to amend the bill as follows:

First: In Sec. 1, 1 V.S.A. § 150, by striking out subsections (a)–(c) in their entirety and inserting in lieu thereof new subsections (a)–(c) to read as follows:

(a) “Gender-affirming health care services” means all supplies, care, and services of a medical, behavioral health, mental health, surgical, psychiatric, therapeutic, diagnostic, preventative, rehabilitative, or supportive nature, including medication, relating to the treatment of gender dysphoria and gender

incongruence. “Gender-affirming health care services” does not include conversion therapy as defined by 18 V.S.A. § 8351.

(b)(1) “Legally protected health care activity” means:

(A) the exercise and enjoyment, or attempted exercise and enjoyment, by any person of rights to reproductive health care services or gender-affirming health care services secured by this State;

(B) any act or omission undertaken to aid or encourage, or attempt to aid or encourage, any person in the exercise and enjoyment, or attempted exercise and enjoyment, of rights to reproductive health care services or gender-affirming health care services secured by this State, provided that the provision of such a health care service by a person duly licensed under the laws of this State and physically present in this State shall be legally protected if the service is permitted under the laws of this State, regardless of the patient’s location; or

(C) the provision, issuance, or use of, or enrollment in, insurance or other health coverage for reproductive health care services or gender-affirming health care services that are legal in this State, or any act to aid or encourage, or attempt to aid or encourage, any person in the provision, issuance, or use of, or enrollment in, insurance or other health coverage for those services, regardless of the location of the insured or individual seeking insurance or health coverage, if the insurance or health coverage is permitted under the laws of this State.

(2) Except as provided in subdivision (3) of this subsection, the protections applicable to “legally protected health care activity” shall not apply to a lawsuit; judgment; or civil, criminal, or administrative action that is based on conduct for which an action would exist under the laws of this State if the course of conduct that forms the basis for liability had occurred entirely in this State.

(3) Notwithstanding subdivision (2) of this subsection, the provision of a health care service by a person duly licensed under the laws of this State and physically present in this State shall be legally protected if the service is permitted under the laws of this State, regardless of the patient’s location or whether the health care provider is licensed in the state where the patient is located at the time the service is rendered.

(c) “Reproductive health care services” means all supplies, care, and services of a medical, behavioral health, mental health, surgical, psychiatric, therapeutic, diagnostic, preventative, rehabilitative, or supportive nature,

including medication, relating to pregnancy, contraception, assisted reproduction, pregnancy loss management, or the termination of a pregnancy.

Second: By striking out Sec. 9, effective dates, and its reader assistance heading in their entirety and inserting in lieu thereof the following:

* * * Effective Dates * * *

Sec. 9. EFFECTIVE DATE

This act shall take effect on passage.

(Committee vote: 4-1-0)

(For House amendments, see House Journal for February 9, 2023, page 148.)

NOTICE CALENDAR

Committee Bill for Second Reading

S. 146.

An act relating to the permitting of indirect discharges.

By the Committee on Natural Resources and Energy. (Senator Bray for the Committee.)

Second Reading

Favorable

H. 165.

An act relating to school food programs and universal school meals.

Reported favorably by Senator Hashim for the Committee on Education.

(Committee vote: 3-2-0)

Favorable with Proposal of Amendment

H. 222.

An act relating to reducing overdoses.

Reported favorably with recommendation of proposal of amendment by Senator Hardy for the Committee on Health and Welfare.

The Committee recommends that the Senate propose to the House to amend the bill as follows:

First: In Sec. 2, regional stakeholder meetings; public needle and syringe disposal programs, in subsection (a), in the first sentence, by striking out “Health’s Accountable Communities for”

Second: By striking out Sec. 3a, 33 V.S.A. § 2004, in its entirety and inserting in lieu thereof the following:

Sec. 3a. [Deleted.]

Third: In Sec. 6b, 18 V.S.A. § 4752, in subsection (e), after “Department of Vermont Health Access”, by inserting the phrase or the Department’s pharmacy benefits manager

Fourth: By striking out Sec. 8b, rulemaking; prior authorization; buprenorphine in its entirety and inserting in lieu thereof a new Sec. 8b to read as follows:

Sec. 8b. RULEMAKING; PRIOR AUTHORIZATION; BUPRENORPHINE

The Department of Vermont Health Access shall amend its rules pursuant to 3 V.S.A. chapter 25 to enable health care providers in office-based opioid-treatment programs to prescribe 24 milligrams or less of the preferred medication for buprenorphine without prior authorization in accordance with 33 V.S.A. § 19011.

Fifth: In Sec. 9, 24 V.S.A. § 4412, in subdivision (1)(G)(i), by striking out the word “tenants” and inserting in lieu thereof the phrase persons in recovery

Sixth: By inserting a new reader assistance heading and Secs. 11 and 12 after Sec. 10 to read as follows:

* * * Drug Checking for Contamination Detection * * *

Sec. 11. 18 V.S.A. § 4201 is amended to read:

§ 4201. DEFINITIONS

As used in this chapter, ~~unless the context otherwise requires:~~

* * *

(45) “Drug-checking” means the testing of a substance to determine its chemical composition or assist in determining whether the substance contains contaminants, toxic substances, or hazardous compounds.

Sec. 12. 18 V.S.A. § 4240a is added to read:

§ 4240a. OVERDOSE PREVENTION; DRUG-CHECKING FOR CONTAMINANT DETECTION

(a) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, it shall not be a violation of this chapter to receive, possess, transport, or store samples of a substance that may contain a regulated drug solely for purposes of analyzing the substance to determine its chemical composition and disseminate information regarding the analysis to the provider of the substance.

(b) On-site community drug-checking service providers shall be permitted to:

(1) collect voluntarily provided residual samples of substances potentially containing regulated drugs, possess, transport, or store samples of a regulated drug solely for purposes of analyzing the substances to determine its chemical composition as a lifesaving intervention;

(2) use any available technologies to analyze the contents of samples to obtain timely, highly accurate information regarding the composition of drugs to prevent overdose and mitigate health risks;

(3) provide results of analysis obtained from drug-checking technology to the person requesting drug services;

(4) disseminate data containing only the results of analysis and containing no personally identifiable information to community members at risk of overdose; and

(5) if necessary, arrange for a sample of a drug or substance to be tested by an approved laboratory.

(c) In operating any drug-checking service, no personally identifiable information shall be collected from a person providing a controlled substance to a service provider.

(d) An employee, contractor, volunteer, or other person acting in the good faith provision of drug-checking services authorized by the Department, acting in accordance with established protocols, shall not:

(1) be subject to arrest, charge, or prosecution for a violation pursuant to this chapter, including for attempting to, aiding and abetting in, or conspiracy to commit a violation of this chapter;

(2) have their property subject to forfeiture, any civil or administrative penalty, or liability of any kind, including disciplinary action by a professional licensing board, credentialing restrictions, contractual or civil liability, or medical staff or other employment action; or

(3) be denied any right or privilege for actions, conduct, or omissions relating to the operation of a drug-checking service in compliance with this chapter and any rules adopted pursuant to this chapter.

(e) An individual possessing a regulated substance and who provides any portion of the substance to a program pursuant to this section for purposes of obtaining drug-checking services shall not be subject to arrest, charge, or prosecution for possession of a regulated substance pursuant to this chapter or civil or administrative penalty or disciplinary action by a professional licensing board for a violation of this chapter.

(f) Local governments shall not collect, maintain, use, or disclose any personal information relating to an individual from whom local government receives any drug or substance for checking or disposal.

(g) The result of a test carried out by an authorized drug-checking service provider shall not be admissible as evidence in any criminal or civil proceeding.

(h)(1) The Department of Health shall publish guidance and provide technical assistance for any service provider choosing to implement drug-checking services under this section.

(2) The Department shall coordinate the collection and dissemination of deidentified data related to drug-checking services to inform prevention and public health initiatives.

Seventh: By inserting a new reader assistance heading and Secs. 13 and 14 after the newly added Sec. 12 to read as follows:

* * * Opioid Abatement Special Fund * * *

Sec. 13. 18 V.S.A. § 4774 is amended to read:

§ 4774. OPIOID ABATEMENT SPECIAL FUND

(a)(1) There is created the Opioid Abatement Special Fund, a special fund established and managed pursuant to 32 V.S.A. chapter 7, subchapter 5 and administered by the Department of Health. The Opioid Abatement Special Fund shall consist of all abatement account fund monies disbursed to the Department from the national abatement account fund, the national opioid abatement trust, the supplemental opioid abatement fund, or any other settlement funds that must be utilized exclusively for opioid prevention, intervention, treatment, recovery, and harm reduction services.

(2) The Department shall ~~include~~ submit a spending plan to the General Assembly, informed by the recommendations of the Opioid Settlement Advisory Committee established pursuant to section 4772 of this subchapter, ~~as part of its annual budget submission~~, and once funding is approved appropriated by the General Assembly from the Opioid Abatement Special Fund, the Department shall request to have the funds formally released from

the national abatement account fund, the national opioid abatement trust, the supplemental opioid abatement fund, or any other settlement funds that must be utilized exclusively for opioid prevention, intervention, treatment, recovery, and harm reduction services. The Department shall disburse monies from the Opioid Abatement Special Fund pursuant to 32 V.S.A. chapter 7, subchapter 3.

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Sec. 14. APPROPRIATION; OPIOID ABATEMENT SPECIAL FUND

In fiscal year 2023, the following monies shall be appropriated from the Opioid Abatement Special Fund pursuant to 18 V.S.A. § 4774:

(1) \$1,980,000.00 for the expansion of naloxone distribution efforts, including establishing harm reduction vending machines, home delivery and mail order options, and expanding the harm reduction pack and leave behind kit programs;

(2)(A) \$2,000,000.00 divided equally between four opioid treatment programs to cover costs associated with partnering with other health care providers to expand satellite locations for the dosing of medications, including costs associated with the satellite locations' physical facilities, staff time at the satellite locations, and staff time at opioid treatment programs to prepare medications and coordinate with satellite locations;

(B) the satellite locations established pursuant to this subdivision (2) shall be located in Addison County, eastern Vermont between the Northeast Kingdom and Brattleboro, Chittenden County, and a facility operated by the Department of Corrections;

(3) \$1,976,000.00 to fund 26 outreach or case management staff positions within the preferred provider network and within syringe service organizations for the provision of services that increase motivation of and engagement with individuals with substance use disorder in settings such as police barracks, shelters, social service organizations, and elsewhere in the community;

(4) \$240,000.00 divided equally among the State's four syringe service providers to provide overdose prevention services and response education and resources that build trust between individuals with substance use disorder and Vermont's system of care;

(5) \$840,000.00 to provide contingency management services to individuals with substance use disorder;

(6) \$100,000.00 to implement a wound care telehealth consultation pilot program for the purpose of utilizing wound care experts to provide telehealth

drop-in appointments to address syringe use by individuals with opioid use disorder;

(7) \$200,000.00 to expand the distribution of fentanyl test strips and, if available, xylazine test strips; and

(8)(A) \$700,000.00 to the Department of Health's Division of Substance Use Programs to award one or more grants to an organization or organizations providing or preparing to implement drug-checking services with spectroscopy devices, including high-pressure mass spectrometer (HPMS) or Fourier-transform infrared spectroscopy device (FTIR), in a harm reduction setting;

(B) the grants awarded pursuant to this subdivision (8) shall be based on an applicant's ability to provide publicly available drug-checking services.

And by renumbering the remaining section to be numerically correct.

Eighth: In the newly renumbered Sec. 15, effective dates, before the period, by inserting and Sec. 8b (rulemaking; prior authorization; buprenorphine) shall take effect on January 1, 2024

(Committee vote: 5-0-0)

(For House amendments, see House Journal for March 28, 2023, page 788.)

H. 305.

An act relating to professions and occupations regulated by the Office of Professional Regulation.

Reported favorably with recommendation of proposal of amendment by Senator Hardy for the Committee on Government Operations.

The Committee recommends that the Senate propose to the House to amend the bill as follows:

First: In Sec. 7, 26 V.S.A. § 2022, by striking out subdivision (14) in its entirety and inserting in lieu thereof a new subdivision (14) to read as follows:

(14) "Pharmacy technician" means an individual who, only while assisting and under the supervision of a licensed pharmacist, performs tasks relative to dispensing only while assisting and under the supervision and control of a licensed pharmacist prescription drugs, administering immunizations, and performing tests for COVID-19. Pharmacy technicians shall administer immunizations and perform tests for COVID-19 in compliance and accordance with section 2042a of this title.

Second: By striking out Sec. 8, 26 V.S.A. § 2023, in its entirety and inserting in lieu thereof a new Sec. 8 to read as follows:

Sec. 8. 26 V.S.A. § 2023 is amended to read:

§ 2023. CLINICAL PHARMACY; PRESCRIBING

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(b) A pharmacist may prescribe in the following contexts:

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(2) State protocol.

(A) A pharmacist may prescribe, order, or administer in a manner consistent with valid State protocols that are approved by the Commissioner of Health after consultation with the Director of Professional Regulation and the Board and the ability for public comment:

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(v) self-administered hormonal contraceptives, including subcutaneous depot medroxyprogesterone acetate;

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(vii) influenza vaccines for patients 18 years of age or older, vaccinations recommended by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention's Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices (ACIP) and administered consistently with the ACIP-approved immunization schedules, as may be amended from time to time;

(viii) for patients five years of age or older, influenza vaccine, COVID-19 vaccine, and subsequent formulations or combination products thereof;

(ix) in the event of a significant public health risk, an appropriate vaccine to mitigate the effects on public health after finding that existing channels for vaccine administration are insufficient to meet the public health need;

~~(ix)~~(x) emergency prescribing of albuterol or glucagon while contemporaneously contacting emergency services; and

(xi) tests for COVID-19 for individuals by entities holding a Certificate of Waiver pursuant to the Clinical Laboratory Amendments of 1988 (42 U.S.C. § 263a). If a test for COVID-19, prescribed, ordered, or administered by a pharmacist in accordance with this section and the resulting State protocol incidentally detects influenza or human respiratory syncytial

virus, a pharmacist shall advise the individual tested that the results indicate influenza or human respiratory syncytial virus infection and recommend to the individual to seek further care from an appropriate health care provider.

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Third: By striking out Sec. 9, 26 V.S.A. § 2042a, in its entirety and inserting in lieu thereof a new Sec. 9 to read as follows:

Sec. 9. 26 V.S.A. § 2042a is amended to read:

§ 2042a. PHARMACY TECHNICIANS; QUALIFICATIONS FOR
REGISTRATION

(a) No person shall perform the duties of a pharmacy technician unless registered with the Board. To obtain a registration as a pharmacy technician, an applicant shall:

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(b) Pharmacy technicians administering immunizations shall meet the following requirements:

(1) hold a registration as a pharmacy technician in accordance with subsection (a) of this section;

(2) hold a current CPR certification;

(3) have successfully completed an Accreditation Council of Pharmacy Education–accredited training program approved by the Board; and

(4) successfully complete two hours of immunization-related continuing education approved by the Accreditation Council for Pharmacy Education every two-year licensing period.

(c) Pharmacy technicians shall only administer immunizations:

(1) to patients 18 years of age or older, as established in subdivision 2023(b)(2)(A)(vii) and the resulting State protocol;

(2) to patients five years of age or older, influenza vaccine, COVID-19 vaccine, and subsequent formulations or combination products thereof, in accordance with subdivision 2023(b)(2)(A)(viii) and the resulting State protocol;

(3) pursuant to the schedules and recommendations of the Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices’ recommendations for the administration of immunizations, as those recommendations may be updated from time to time; and

(4) when a licensed pharmacist who is trained to immunize is present

and able to assist with the immunization, as needed.

(d) Pharmacy technicians shall administer only those immunizations that:

(1) are recommended by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention’s Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices (ACIP); and

(2) licensed pharmacists are permitted to administer under the State clinical pharmacy protocol, as established in subdivision 2023(b)(2) of this title.

(e) Pharmacy technicians performing COVID-19 tests shall do so only:

(1) when a licensed pharmacist who is trained to perform COVID-19 tests is present and able to assist with the test, as needed;

(2) in accordance with a State protocol adopted under subdivision 2023(b)(2)(A)(x) of this title; and

(3) in accordance with rules adopted by the Board.

(f) The Board may adopt rules regarding the administration of immunizations and the performance of COVID-19 tests by pharmacy technicians.

Fourth: By striking out Sec. 12, effective date, and its reader assistance heading in their entirety and inserting in lieu thereof the following:

Sec. 12. 2022 Acts and Resolves No. 117, Sec. 8, mental health professional licensure; study, is amended to read:

Sec. 8. MENTAL HEALTH PROFESSIONAL LICENSURE; STUDY

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(b) Stakeholder input. The Director of the Office of Professional Regulation shall seek the input and recommendations of the following stakeholders in completing the study:

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(7) other interested stakeholders, including individuals from diverse backgrounds to represent the interests of communities of color and other historically underrepresented populations in mental health care professions, and individuals representing the interests of art and music therapists.

(c) Findings and recommendations. On or before December 15, 2024, the Director of the Office of Professional Regulation shall provide the Office’s findings and recommendations to the House Committees on Health Care and on Government Operations and the Senate Committees on Health and Welfare and on Government Operations. The findings and recommendations shall

include a process for the certification of music therapists and art therapists.

Sec. 13. 26 V.S.A. § 2061 is amended to read:

§ 2061. REGISTRATION AND LICENSURE

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(e) Retail and institutional drug outlets shall be managed by licensed pharmacists who have held an unrestricted license in this or another state for at least one year. The Board may grant a pharmacy permission to appoint a licensed pharmacist to manage the pharmacy who has been licensed for less than a year, subject to rules adopted by the Board. A pharmacist who holds a restricted license may petition the Board for permission to be a pharmacist manager, which may be granted by the Board for good cause shown.

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* * * Secretary of State Fees * * *

* * * Advisor Professions * * *

Sec. 14. 3 V.S.A. § 125 is amended to read:

§ 125. FEES

(a) In addition to the fees otherwise authorized by law, a board or advisor profession may charge the following fees:

(1) Verification of license, \$20.00.

(2) An examination fee established by the Secretary, which shall be ~~no~~ not greater than the costs associated with examinations.

(3) Reinstatement fees for expired licenses pursuant to section 127 (unauthorized practice) of this title.

(4) Continuing, qualifying, or prelicensing education course approval:

(A) Provider, \$100.00.

(B) Individual, \$25.00.

(5) A preapplication criminal background determination, \$25.00.

(b) Unless otherwise provided by law, the following fees shall apply to all professions regulated by the Director in consultation with advisor appointees under Title 26:

(1) Application for registration, ~~\$75.00~~ \$100.00, except application for:

(A) Private investigator and security services employees, unarmed registrants, ~~\$60.00~~ \$70.00.

(B) Private investigator and security service employees, transitory permits, ~~\$60.00~~ \$70.00.

(C) Private investigator and security service employees, armed registrants, ~~\$120.00~~ \$140.00.

(2) Application for licensure or certification, ~~\$100.00~~ \$115.00, except application for:

(A) Barbering or cosmetology schools and shops, ~~\$300.00~~ \$355.00.

(B) Funeral directors, embalmers, disposition facility personnel, removal personnel, funeral establishments, disposition facilities, and limited services establishments, ~~\$70.00~~ \$85.00.

(C) Application for real estate appraisers, ~~\$275.00~~ \$315.00.

(D) Temporary real estate appraiser license, ~~\$150.00~~ \$175.00.

(E) Appraisal management company registration, ~~\$600.00~~ \$685.00.

(F) Private investigator or security services agency, ~~\$340.00~~ \$390.00.

(G) Private investigator and security services agency, ~~\$400.00~~ \$460.00.

(H) Private investigator or security services sole proprietor, \$250.00.

(I) Private investigator or security services unarmed licensee, ~~\$150.00~~ \$175.00.

(J) Private investigator or security services armed licensee, ~~\$200.00~~ \$230.00.

(K) Private investigator and security services instructor, ~~\$120.00~~ \$140.00.

(L) Barbers, cosmetologists, nail technicians, and estheticians, ~~\$120.00~~ \$120.00.

(M) Massage therapist, bodyworker, or touch professional, ~~\$90.00~~ \$90.00.

(N) Optician, ~~\$145.00~~ \$145.00.

(O) Physical therapists and assistants, ~~\$120.00~~ \$120.00.

(P) Independent clinical social workers and master's social workers, ~~\$120.00~~ \$120.00.

(3) Optician trainee registration, ~~\$50.00~~ \$75.00.

(4) Biennial renewal, ~~\$240.00~~ \$275.00, except biennial renewal for:

- (A) Independent clinical social workers and master's social workers, ~~\$150.00~~ \$180.00.
- (B) Occupational therapists and assistants, ~~\$150.00~~ \$180.00.
- (C) Physical therapists and assistants, ~~\$150.00~~ \$180.00.
- (D) Optician trainees, ~~\$100.00~~ \$135.00.
- (E) Barbers, cosmetologists, nail technicians, and estheticians, ~~\$130.00~~ \$155.00.
- (F) Schools of barbering or cosmetology, ~~\$300.00~~ \$355.00.
- (G) Funeral directors and embalmers, ~~\$280.00~~ \$415.00.
- (H) Disposition facility personnel and removal personnel, ~~\$100.00~~ \$150.00.
- (I) Funeral establishments, disposition facilities, and limited services establishments, ~~\$640.00~~ \$945.00.
- (J) [Repealed.]
- (K) Radiologic therapist, radiologic technologist, nuclear medicine technologist, ~~\$150.00~~ \$175.00.
- (L) Certified alcohol and drug abuse counselor, certified apprentice addiction professional, and licensed alcohol and drug abuse counselor, ~~\$225.00~~ \$260.00.
- (M) Private investigator or security services agency, or both, ~~\$300.00~~ \$345.00.
- (N) Private investigator or security services unarmed licensee, ~~\$120.00~~ \$140.00.
- (O) Private investigator or security services armed licensee, ~~\$180.00~~ \$205.00.
- (P) Private investigator or security services unarmed registrant, ~~\$80.00~~ \$95.00.
- (Q) Private investigator or security services armed registrant, ~~\$130.00~~ \$150.00.
- (R) Private investigator or security services sole proprietor, \$250.00.
- (S) Private investigator or security services instructor, ~~\$180.00~~ \$205.00.
- (T) Barbering or cosmetology shop, \$285.00.

- (5) Limited temporary license or work permit, ~~\$50.00~~ \$60.00.
- (6) Radiologic evaluation, \$125.00.
- (7) Annual renewal for appraisal management company registration, ~~\$300.00~~ \$345.00.
- (8) Real estate appraiser trainee, \$115.00.

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* * * Boxing * * *

Sec. 15. 26 V.S.A. § 6009 is amended to read:

§ 6009. FEES

(a) Applicants and persons regulated by this subchapter shall be subject to the following fees:

- (1) Promoter registration ~~\$500.00~~ \$825.00
- (2) Boxer registration ~~\$25.00~~ \$30.00
- (3) Manager registration ~~\$25.00~~ \$30.00
- (4) Second registration ~~\$25.00~~ \$30.00
- (5) Referee registration ~~\$25.00~~ \$30.00
- (6) Judge registration ~~\$25.00~~ \$30.00
- (7) Biennial renewal for ~~professional boxers,~~ managers, seconds, referees, and judges ~~\$25.00~~ \$30.00
- (8) Biennial renewal for professional boxer \$35.00
- (9) Biennial renewal for professional promotor \$45.00

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* * * Mixed Martial Arts * * *

Sec. 16. 26 V.S.A. § 6033 is amended to read:

§ 6033. FEES

Applicants and persons regulated by this subchapter shall be subject to the following fees:

- (1) Application:
 - (A) Promoter license ~~\$500.00~~ \$545.00
 - (B) Event license ~~\$250.00~~ \$275.00

(C) Contestant license ~~\$25.00~~ \$30.00

(D) Participant license ~~\$25.00~~ \$30.00

(2) Biennial renewal for managers, seconds, referees, and judges
~~\$25.00~~ \$30.00

(3) Biennial renewal for promoters ~~\$500.00~~ \$545.00

(4) Annual renewal for contestants ~~\$25.00~~ \$30.00

(5) Late fees set pursuant to 3 V.S.A. § 127(d)(1).

* * * Nursing Home Administrators * * *

Sec. 17. 18 V.S.A. § 2058 is amended to read:

§ 2058. LICENSE FEES

Applicants and persons regulated under this chapter shall be subject to the following fees:

(1) Application ~~\$100.00~~ \$115.00

(2) Biennial renewal ~~\$200.00~~ \$275.00

* * * Board Professions * * *

* * * Accounting * * *

Sec. 18. 26 V.S.A. § 56 is amended to read:

§ 56. FEES

Applicants and persons regulated under this chapter shall pay the following fees:

(1) Application for license ~~\$100.00~~ \$115.00

(2) Biennial renewal of license ~~\$220.00~~ \$255.00

(3) Firm registration ~~\$200.00~~ \$230.00

(4) [Repealed.]

(5) Firm biennial renewal of registration ~~\$400.00~~ \$460.00

(6) Sole proprietor firm biennial renewal of registration ~~\$200.00~~
\$230.00

* * * Allied Mental Health * * *

Sec. 19. 26 V.S.A. § 4089a is amended to read:

§ 4089a. FEES

A person who seeks entry on the roster shall pay the following fees:

- (1) Initial roster entry ~~\$80.00~~ \$95.00
- (2) Biennial roster reentry ~~\$150.00~~ \$175.00

Sec. 20. 26 V.S.A. § 4041a is amended to read:

§ 4041a. FEES

Applicants and persons regulated under this chapter shall pay the following fees:

- (1) Application for licensure ~~\$150.00~~ \$175.00
- (2) Biennial renewal ~~\$250.00~~ \$285.00

Sec. 21. 26 V.S.A. § 3270a is amended to read:

§ 3270a. FEES

Applicants and persons regulated under this chapter shall pay the following fees:

- (1) Application for licensure ~~\$150.00~~ \$175.00
- (2) Biennial renewal ~~\$200.00~~ \$230.00

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Sec. 22. 26 V.S.A. § 209 is amended to read:

§ 209. FEES

Applicants and persons regulated under this chapter shall pay the following fees:

- (1) Application for initial license ~~\$60.00~~ \$120.00
- (2) ~~Initial license issuance~~ \$20.00
- (~~3~~) Biennial renewal ~~\$155.00~~ \$225.00

* * * Chiropractor * * *

Sec. 23. 26 V.S.A. § 535 is amended to read:

§ 535. FEES

Applicants and persons regulated under this chapter shall pay the following

fees:

(1) Chiropractors

(A) Application ~~\$200.00~~ \$225.00

(B) Biennial renewal ~~\$265.00~~ \$295.00

(C) Initial competency endorsement under section 525 of this title
\$70.00

(D) Biennial renewal of competency endorsement under section 525 of
this title \$70.00

(E) Evaluation \$125.00

(2) Registration of intern ~~\$50.00~~ \$80.00

* * * Dental * * *

Sec. 24. 26 V.S.A. § 662 is amended to read:

§ 662. FEES

(a) Applicants and persons regulated under this chapter shall pay the
following fees:

(1) Application

(A) Dentist ~~\$250.00~~ \$285.00

(B) Dental therapist ~~\$185.00~~ \$215.00

(C) Dental hygienist ~~\$175.00~~ \$200.00

(D) Dental assistant ~~\$70.00~~ \$80.00

(2) Biennial renewal

(A) Dentist ~~\$575.00~~ \$655.00

(B) Dental therapist ~~\$270.00~~ \$310.00

(C) Dental hygienist ~~\$215.00~~ \$245.00

(D) Dental assistant ~~\$90.00~~ \$105.00

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* * * Engineer * * *

Sec. 25. 26 V.S.A. § 1176 is amended to read:

§ 1176. FEES

Applicants and persons regulated under this chapter shall pay the following

fees:

- (1) Application for engineering license or application to add additional specialty discipline ~~\$100.00~~ \$115.00
- (2) Application for engineer intern certificate ~~\$50.00~~ \$60.00
- (3) Biennial license renewal ~~\$150.00~~ \$175.00
- (4) [Repealed.]

* * * Land Surveyor * * *

Sec. 26. 26 V.S.A. § 2597 is amended to read:

§ 2597. FEES

Applicants and persons regulated under this chapter shall pay the following fees:

- (1) Application ~~\$200.00~~ \$290.00
- (2) Biennial renewal of license ~~\$300.00~~ \$365.00

* * * Nursing * * *

Sec. 27. 26 V.S.A. § 1577 is amended to read:

§ 1577. FEES

Applicants and persons regulated under this chapter shall pay the following fees:

- (1) Nursing Assistants
 - (A) Application ~~\$20.00~~ \$25.00
 - (B) Biennial renewal ~~\$55.00~~ \$65.00
- (2) Practical Nurses and Registered Nurses
 - (A) Application by exam \$75.00
 - (B) Application by endorsement ~~\$150.00~~ \$175.00
 - (C) Biennial renewal for Practical Nurses ~~\$175.00~~ \$200.00
 - (D) Biennial renewal for Registered Nurses ~~\$190.00~~ \$220.00
- (3) Advanced Practice Registered Nurses
 - (A) Initial endorsement of advanced practice registered nurses ~~\$100.00~~ \$115.00
 - (B) Biennial renewal of advanced practice registered nurses ~~\$125.00~~ \$145.00

* * * Optometry * * *

Sec. 28. 26 V.S.A. § 1718 is amended to read:

§ 1718. FEES

Applicants and persons regulated under this chapter shall pay the following fees:

- (1) Application ~~\$225.00~~ \$325.00
- (2) Biennial renewal ~~\$350.00~~ \$395.00

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Sec. 29. 26 V.S.A. § 1794 is amended to read:

§ 1794. FEES

(a) Applicants and persons regulated under this chapter shall pay the following fees:

- (1) Application
 - (A) Licensure ~~\$500.00~~ \$450.00
 - (B) Limited temporary license ~~\$50.00~~ \$75.00
- (2) Biennial license renewal ~~\$300.00~~ \$350.00
- (3) Annual limited temporary license renewal ~~\$100.00~~ \$145.00

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* * * Pharmacy * * *

Sec. 30. 26 V.S.A. § 2046 is amended to read:

§ 2046. FEES

Applicants and persons regulated under this chapter shall pay the following fees:

- (1) Initial application:
 - (A) Pharmacists ~~\$110.00~~ \$155.00
 - (B) Retail drug outlets ~~\$300.00~~ \$410.00
 - (C) Institutional drug outlets ~~\$400.00~~ \$460.00
 - (D) Manufacturing drug outlet ~~\$400.00~~ \$550.00
 - (E) Wholesale drug outlet ~~\$700.00~~ \$800.00
 - (F) Investigative and research projects ~~\$300.00~~ \$410.00

- (G) Pharmacy technicians ~~\$50.00~~ \$70.00
 - (H) Outsourcing drug outlet ~~\$700.00~~ \$800.00
 - (I) Nuclear drug outlet ~~\$700.00~~ \$800.00
 - (J) Compounding drug outlet ~~\$700.00~~ \$800.00
 - (K) Home infusion drug outlet ~~\$700.00~~ \$800.00
 - (L) Third-party logistics ~~\$700.00~~ \$800.00
 - (M) Pharmacy interns ~~\$20.00~~ \$25.00
 - (N) Nonresident manufacturers \$800.00
 - (O) Community-based long-term care pharmacy \$550.00
 - (P) Institutional long-term care pharmacy \$550.00
- (2) Biennial renewal:
- (A) Pharmacists ~~\$125.00~~ \$145.00
 - (B) Retail drug outlets ~~\$400.00~~ \$460.00
 - (C) Institutional drug outlets ~~\$500.00~~ \$570.00
 - (D) Manufacturing drug outlet ~~\$500.00~~ \$570.00
 - (E) Wholesale drug outlet ~~\$500.00~~ \$570.00
 - (F) Investigative and research projects ~~\$300.00~~ \$345.00
 - (G) Pharmacy technicians ~~\$60.00~~ \$85.00
 - (H) Outsourcing drug outlet ~~\$500.00~~ \$570.00
 - (I) Nuclear drug outlet ~~\$500.00~~ \$570.00
 - (J) Compounding drug outlet ~~\$500.00~~ \$570.00
 - (K) Home infusion drug outlet ~~\$500.00~~ \$570.00
 - (L) Third-party logistics ~~\$500.00~~ \$570.00
 - (M) Pharmacy interns ~~\$45.00~~ \$55.00
 - (N) Nonresident manufacturers \$570.00
 - (O) Community-based long-term care pharmacy \$570.00
 - (P) Institutional long-term care pharmacy \$570.00
- (3) Pharmacy reinspection \$100.00

* * * Psychology * * *

Sec. 31. 26 V.S.A. § 3010 is amended to read:

§ 3010. FEES; LICENSES

Applicants and persons regulated under this chapter shall pay the following fees:

- (1) Application for license ~~\$175.00~~ \$240.00
- (2) Biennial renewal of license ~~\$150.00~~ \$195.00
- (3) [Repealed.]
- (4) [Repealed.]

* * * Real Estate * * *

Sec. 32. 26 V.S.A. § 2255 is amended to read:

§ 2255. FEES

(a) Applicants and persons regulated under this chapter shall pay the following fees:

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- (2) Biennial renewal of broker or salesperson license ~~\$240.00~~ \$220.00

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* * * Veterinary * * *

Sec. 33. 26 V.S.A. § 2414 is amended to read:

§ 2414. FEES

Applicants and persons regulated under this chapter shall pay the following fees:

- (1) Application ~~\$100.00~~ \$145.00
- (2) Biennial Renewal ~~\$175.00~~ \$200.00

* * * Corporations Division * * *

* * * Assumed Business Name * * *

Sec. 34. 11 V.S.A. § 1625 is amended to read:

§ 1625. FEES

(a) A person, copartnership, association, limited liability company, or corporation required by the provisions of this chapter to file a return, shall, at the time of filing as provided, pay a registration fee of ~~\$50.00~~ \$70.00 to the

Secretary of State.

(b) A person, copartnership, association, limited liability company, or corporation required by the provisions of this chapter to file a certificate of cessation or change of business status or an application to reserve a business name shall, at the time of filing, pay a fee of ~~\$20.00~~ \$35.00 to the Secretary of State.

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Sec. 35. 11 V.S.A. § 1635 is amended to read:

§ 1635. REREGISTRATION

(a) One or more persons doing business under a registered business name shall reregister the name every five years by filing a reregistration return with the Secretary of State with a fee of ~~\$40.00~~ \$65.00 within 60 days following the date five years after the date of the original registration or of the last reregistration. The Secretary of State shall prepare and supply the necessary forms.

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* * * Corporation * * *

Sec. 36. 11A V.S.A. § 1.22 is amended to read:

§ 1.22. FILING; SERVICE AND COPYING FEES

(a) The Secretary of State shall collect the following fees when the documents described in this section are delivered to the Office of the Secretary of State for filing:

(1) Articles of incorporation	\$125.00 <u>\$155.00</u>
(2) Application for reserved name	\$20.00 <u>\$40.00</u>
(3) Notice of transfer of reserved name	No fee <u>\$20.00</u>
(4) Application for registered name of a foreign corporation	\$25.00 <u>\$50.00</u>
(5) Application for renewal of registered name of a foreign corporation	\$25.00 <u>\$50.00</u>
(6) Statement of change of registered agents or registered office, or both	\$25.00

	and not to exceed \$1,000.00 per filer per calen- dar year.
(7) Agent's statement of resignation	No fee
(8) Amendment of articles of incorporation	\$25.00 <u>\$50.00</u>
(9) Restatement of articles of incorporation	\$25.00 <u>\$50.00</u>
(10) Articles of merger or share exchange	\$50.00 <u>\$95.00</u>
(11) Articles of dissolution	\$20.00 <u>\$35.00</u>
(12) Articles of revocation of dissolution	\$20.00 <u>\$35.00</u>
(13) Application for certificate of authority	\$125.00 <u>\$155.00</u>
(14) Application for amended certificate of authority	\$25.00 <u>\$50.00</u>
(15) Application for certificate of withdrawal	\$20.00 <u>\$25.00</u>
(16) Annual report of a foreign corporation	\$200.00 <u>\$250.00</u>
(17) Annual report of a domestic corporation	\$45.00 <u>\$60.00</u>
(18) Application for certificate of good standing	\$25.00
(19) Any other document required or permitted to be filed by this title	\$20.00 <u>\$35.00</u>
<u>(20) Articles of correction</u>	<u>\$20.00</u>
<u>(21) Articles of domestication</u>	<u>\$20.00</u>
<u>(22) Statement of conversion</u>	<u>\$20.00</u>

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(d) When a corporation has been involuntarily terminated for failure to file its annual report, the Secretary of State shall collect, for each year the corporation failed to file its annual report, the annual report filing fee and a reinstatement fee of ~~\$25.00~~ \$50.00.

* * * Limited Liability Company * * *

Sec. 37. 11 V.S.A. § 4012 is amended to read:

§ 4012. FEES

(a) The Secretary of State shall collect the following fees when a document described in this section is delivered to the Office of the Secretary of State for filing:

- (1) Articles of organization ~~\$125.00~~ \$155.00
- (2) Application for certificate of authority ~~\$125.00~~ \$155.00
- (3) Amendment of articles or certificate of authority ~~\$25.00~~ \$35.00
- (4) Cancellation of certificate of authority ~~\$20.00~~ \$25.00
- (5) Application for reserved name ~~\$20.00~~ \$25.00
- (6) Notice of transfer of reserved name ~~No fee~~ \$20.00
- (7) Application for registered name \$25.00
- (8) Application for renewal of registered name \$25.00
- (9) Statement of change of designated agent or designated office, or both ~~\$25.00~~ \$35.00 and not to exceed \$1,000.00 per filer per calendar year
- (10) Agent's statement of resignation no fee
- (11) Restatement of articles of organization \$25.00
- (12) Articles of correction ~~\$25.00~~ \$35.00
- (13) Application for certificate of existence or authorization ~~\$25.00~~ \$35.00
- (14) Articles of merger ~~\$50.00~~ \$55.00
- (15) Annual report of a domestic limited liability company ~~\$35.00~~ \$45.00
- (16) Annual report of a foreign limited liability company ~~\$140.00~~ \$170.00
- (17) Reinstatement ~~\$25.00~~ \$35.00

(18) Any other document required or permitted to be filed by this chapter \$20.00

(19) Articles of domestication \$20.00

(20) Articles of termination \$20.00

(21) Notice of withdrawal of reserved name \$20.00

(22) Statement of conversion \$20.00

(b) The Secretary of State shall collect the following fees:

(1) ~~\$25.00~~ \$35.00 each time process is served on the Secretary under this chapter. The party to a proceeding causing service of process is entitled to recover this fee as costs if ~~he or she~~ the party prevails in the proceeding.

(2) \$25.00 for the certificate certifying the copy of any filed document relating to a limited liability company or a foreign limited liability company.

* * * Limited Liability Partnership * * *

Sec. 38. 11 V.S.A. § 3310 is amended to read:

§ 3310. FEES

(a) The Secretary of State shall collect the following fees when a document described in this section is delivered to the Office of the Secretary of State for filing:

(1) Statement of authority	\$125.00 <u>\$155.00</u>
(2) Statement of denial	No fee <u>\$25.00</u>
(3) Statement of dissociation	No fee <u>\$20.00</u>
(4) Statement of dissolution	No fee <u>\$25.00</u>
(5) Statement of merger	\$50.00 <u>\$85.00</u>
(6) Statement of qualification	\$75.00 <u>\$130.00</u>
(7) Statement of foreign qualification	\$100.00 <u>\$170.00</u>

(8) Amendment	\$25.00 <u>\$45.00</u>
(9) Cancellation	\$5.00 <u>\$10.00</u>
(10) Annual report of domestic limited liability partnership	\$15.00 <u>\$30.00</u>
(11) Annual report of foreign limited liability partnership	\$100.00 <u>\$170.00</u>
(12) Reinstatement	\$25.00 <u>\$45.00</u>
both (13) Statement of change of designated agent or designated office, or	\$25.00 <u>\$35.00</u> , not to exceed \$1,000.00 per filer per calendar year
(14) Application for certificate of good standing	\$25.00 <u>\$45.00</u>
(15) Any other document permitted or required to be filed by this chapter	\$20.00
(16) <u>Amendment – Foreign</u>	<u>\$35.00</u>

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* * * Limited Partnership * * *

Sec. 39. 11 V.S.A. § 3420 is amended to read:

§ 3420. FEES

(a) The Secretary of State shall collect the following fees when a document described in this section is delivered to the Office of the Secretary of State for filing:

(1) Certificate of Limited Partnership	\$125.00 <u>\$130.00</u>
(2) Registration of Foreign Limited Partnership	\$125.00 <u>\$155.00</u>
(3) Amendment - <u>Domestic</u>	\$25.00 <u>\$35.00</u>
(4) Cancellation	No fee <u>\$25.00</u>
(5) Merger	\$50.00 <u>\$65.00</u>
(6) Statement of change of designated agent or designated office, or both	\$25.00 <u>\$35.00</u> , not to exceed \$1,000.00 per filer per calendar year
(7) Application for certificate of good standing	\$25.00 <u>\$35.00</u>
(8) Any other document permitted or required to be filed by this chapter	\$20.00
(9) <u>Amendment – Foreign</u>	<u>\$35.00</u>
(10) <u>Name reservation, application</u>	<u>\$20.00</u>
(11) <u>Name reservation, transfer</u>	<u>\$20.00</u>
(12) <u>Restated certificate of limited partnership</u>	<u>\$20.00</u>

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* * * Nonprofit Corporations * * *

Sec. 40. 11B V.S.A. § 1.22 is amended to read:

§ 1.22. FILING; SERVICE AND COPYING FEES

The Secretary of State shall collect the following fees when the documents described in this section are delivered to the Office of the Secretary of State for filing:

(1) Articles of incorporation	\$125.00 <u>\$155.00</u>
(2) Application for reserved name	\$20.00 <u>\$35.00</u>
(3) Transfer of reserved name	No fee <u>\$35.00</u>
(4) Application for registered name	\$25.00 <u>\$45.00</u>
(5) Renewal of registered name	\$25.00 <u>\$45.00</u>
(6) Statement of change of registered agents or registered office, or both	\$25.00 <u>\$35.00</u> and not to exceed \$1,000.00 per filer per calen- dar year.
(7) Agent's statement of registration	No fee
(8) Amendment of articles of association	\$25.00 <u>\$45.00</u>
(9) Restatement of articles of association	\$25.00 <u>\$45.00</u>
(10) Articles of merger	\$50.00 <u>\$90.00</u>
(11) Articles of dissolution	No fee
(12) Articles of revocation of dissolution	\$5.00 <u>\$10.00</u>
(13) Application for reinstatement following administrative dissolution	\$25.00 <u>\$45.00</u>

(14) Application for certificate of authority for a foreign corporation	\$100.00 <u>\$175.00</u>
(15) Application for amended certificate of authority	\$25.00 <u>\$45.00</u>
(16) Application for certificate of withdrawal	\$5.00 <u>\$10.00</u>
(17) Biennial report	\$20.00 <u>\$35.00</u>

except that a corporation which ~~that~~ certifies to the Secretary of State, on a form approved by the Secretary, that it did not compensate its officers, directors, or employees during the prior calendar year shall be exempt from the fee required by this subdivision.

(18) Articles of correction	\$15.00 <u>\$30.00</u>
(19) Application for certificate of good standing	\$25.00 <u>\$35.00</u>
(20) Certified copy of any filed document	\$25.00
(21) <u>Restatement of articles of organization</u>	<u>\$30.00</u>

Sec. 41. 12 V.S.A. § 852 is amended to read:

§ 852. FEES; MAILING OF COPY TO CORPORATION

When process is served on the Secretary of State under the provisions of section 851 of this title, there shall be paid to ~~him or her~~ the Secretary by the officer at the time of such service the sum of ~~\$5.00~~ \$35.00. The Secretary shall forthwith forward by mail prepaid one of the duplicate copies to the corporation at its home office or to a person whom it designates.

* * * Trademark * * *

Sec. 42. 9 V.S.A. § 2523 is amended to read:

§ 2523. CERTIFICATE OF REGISTRATION; FILING FEE

There shall be paid to the Secretary of State for the filing of such statement a fee of ~~\$20.00~~ \$35.00. The Secretary of State shall deliver to the person filing such statement or causing the same to be filed, a certificate of registration under ~~his or her~~ the Secretary's signature and State Seal, showing the name and address of the person claiming ownership of the trademark registered, the date of such filing, a general description of the trademark to be

registered, and a receipt showing the payment of the filing fee therefore. The fee for renewal of any registration shall be ~~\$20.00~~ \$35.00.

Sec. 43. 9 V.S.A. § 2525 is amended to read:

§ 2525. ASSIGNMENTS

Title to any trademark and its registration hereunder may be transferred and assigned to any person together with the goodwill of the business to which such trademark pertains or with that part of the goodwill of the business connected with the use of and symbolized by the mark. Written assignments shall be recorded by the Secretary of State upon payment of the fee of ~~\$20.00~~ \$35.00. When such assignment is recorded, a new certificate of registration shall be issued in the name of the assignee.

* * * Uniform Commercial Code * * *

Sec. 44. 9A V.S.A. § 9-525 is amended to read:

§ 9—525. FEES

(a) The fee for filing and indexing a record under this article is ~~\$35.00~~ \$45.00.

(b) ~~The fee for filing and indexing an initial financing statement of the kind described in subsection 9—502(c) of this title is \$6.00 per page. In addition to the fee provided in subsection (a) of this section:~~

(1) the fee for filing and indexing an initial financing statement of the kind described in subsection 9-502(c) of this title is \$25.00;

(2) the fee for filing and indexing a record under this article for a manufactured home, transmitting utility, or public finance transaction is \$25.00.

(c) The fee for responding to a request for information from the filing office, including for issuing a certificate showing whether there is on file any financing statement naming a particular debtor is ~~\$25.00~~ \$35.00.

~~(d) This section does not require a fee with respect to a record of a mortgage which is effective as a financing statement filed as a fixture filing or as a financing statement covering as extracted collateral or timber to be cut under subsection 9—502(c) of this title. However, the recording and satisfaction fees that otherwise would be applicable to the record of the mortgage apply. [Repealed.]~~

* * * Effective Date * * *

Sec. 45. EFFECTIVE DATE

This act shall take effect on passage.

(Committee vote: 6-0-0)

(No House amendments.)

Senate Resolution for Second Reading

Favorable

S.R. 10.

Senate resolution reaffirming the friendship between Vermont and the Republic of China (Taiwan) and supporting enhanced United States–Taiwan and Vermont–Taiwan bilateral relations.

Reported favorably by Senator Cummings for the Committee on Economic Development, Housing and General Affairs.

(Committee vote: 4-0-1)

CONFIRMATIONS

The following appointments will be considered by the Senate, as a group, under suspension of the Rules, as moved by the President *pro tempore*, for confirmation together and without debate, by consent thereby given by the Senate. However, upon request of any senator, any appointment may be singled out and acted upon separately by the Senate, with consideration given to the report of the Committee to which the appointment was referred, and with full debate; and further, all appointments for the positions of Secretaries of Agencies, Commissioners of Departments, Judges, Magistrates, and members of the Public Utility Commission shall be fully and separately acted upon.

Kristin L. Clouser of Jericho – Secretary, Agency of Administration – By Senator Hardy for the Committee on Government Operations (4/6/23)

John Arrison of Ascutney – Member, Connecticut River Valley Flood Control Commission – By Senator White for the Committee on Natural Resources and Energy (4/11/23)

Harold Howrigan of Sheldon – Member, Current Use Advisory Board – By Senator White for the Committee on Natural Resources and Energy (4/11/23)

Steve Larrabee of West Danville – Member, Natural Resources Board – By Senator McCormack for the Committee on Natural Resources and Energy (4/11/23)

Julie Wolcott of Enosburg – Alternate, Natural Resources Board – By Senator McCormack for the Committee on Natural Resources and Energy (4/11/23)

Walter Hastings of South Royalton – Member, Current Use Advisory Board – By Senator McCormack for the Committee on Natural Resources and Energy (4/11/23)

Michael A. Harrington of Northfield – Commissioner, Department of Labor – By Senator Clarkson for the Committee on Economic Development, Housing and General Affairs (4/18/23)

Lindsay Kurrle of Middlesex – Secretary, Agency of Commerce and Community Development – By Senator Clarkson for the Committee on Economic Development, Housing and General Affairs (4/19/23)

JFO NOTICE

Grants and Positions that have been submitted to the Joint Fiscal Committee by the Administration, under 32 V.S.A. §5(b)(3):

JFO #3146: \$737,685.00 to the Vermont Department of Corrections from the U.S. Department of Justice. This grant was awarded to Vermont State Colleges who will sub-grant to the VT Department of Corrections. This grant includes two (2) limited-service positions, Post-Secondary Program Coordinators, to engage Vermont's correctional facility staff in post-secondary educational opportunities and improved employment opportunities, both within and without the Department and State government. Positions are fully funded through 8/31/2025 with a potential one-year extension.

[Received April 3, 2023]

JFO #3145: \$250,000.00 to the Vermont Agency of Human Services Department of Mental Health from the National Association of State Mental Health Program Directors. Funds will support direct services to be provided to the public through the Crisis Assistance Helping Out on the Street (CAHOOTS) program. The VT Department of Health will collaborate with the City of Burlington, Burlington Police Department and local area health providers to support this pilot. The goal is to establish a trauma-informed approach that will only utilize system components that are necessary for individual situations.

[Received April 3, 2023]

JFO #3144: \$173,973.00 to the Vermont Attorney General's Office from the Vermont Network Against Domestic and Sexual Violence. The Firearm Technical Assistant Project serves to improve Vermont's statewide responses to

the intersection of firearms and domestic violence. The Attorney General's office will lead the management team and provide project oversight including communication with the project partners: Vermont Network, Defender General's Office, Vermont State Police, Vermont Judiciary, Disability Rights Vermont, AALV-VT and the Abenaki Nation.

[Received April 3, 2023]

JFO #3143: \$514,694.00 to the Agency of Human Services, Department of Vermont Health Access from the DHHS/ONC via Passthrough from the Association of State and Territorial Health Officials. Funds will be used to support Vermont's participation in the COVID-19 Immunization Data Exchange, Advancement and Sharing learning community with the aim of advancing immunization information and health information exchange sharing.

[Received March 23, 2023]

JFO #3142: \$15,000.00 to Agency of Natural Resources, Department of Environmental Conservation from the Maine Geological Society. Funds will be used to identify contradictions in mapped geological formations across state lines in New England.

[Received March 23, 2023]

JFO #3141: Donation of Alexander Twilight portrait, commissioned from artist Katie Runde to the Vermont State Curator's Office from the Friends of the Vermont State House. The donation is valued at \$32,923.27. Twilight was the first person of African descent to be elected to a state legislature and served one term in Vermont. The portrait is currently displayed in the main lobby of the Vermont State House.

[Received March 23, 2023]

JFO #3140: \$241,208.00 to Building and General Services, Vermont State Curator's Office from the Institute of Museum and Library Services. The FY2020 Save America's Treasures grant will restore and conserve Sculpture on the Highway, an outdoor collection of sixteen monumental marble and concrete sculptures created at two international sculpture symposia held in Vermont during the summers of 1968 and 1971.

[Received March 23, 2023]

JFO #3139: \$644,469.00 to the Vermont Judiciary, Court Administrator's Office from the U.S. Department of Justice. The grant will support the VT Judiciary Commission on Mental Health, established in July 2022. The Commission is focused on addressing the needs of court-involved individuals

with behavioral health issues. Funds will help develop training activities and materials for VT Judiciary staff.

[Received March 22, 2023]