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Fiscal Note

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H.673 – An act relating to Vermont’s outdoor recreation economy

As recommended by the House Committee on Agriculture, Food Resiliency, and Forestry, Draft 3.1

Bill Summary

This bill proposes to direct the Vermont Outdoor Recreation Economic Collaborative to conduct an outdoor recreation economic impact study. It would create a position at the Vermont Trails and Greenways Council. It would appropriate funds to the Department of Forests, Parks and Recreation to hire contractor to develop a set of universal trail best management practices.

Fiscal Impact

This bill would appropriate a total of \$350,000 from the General Fund in fiscal year 2025

Background and Details

The following sections have a fiscal impact.

Section 1

This section appropriates \$200,000 from the General Fund in fiscal year 2025 to the Department of Forests, Parks and Recreation to hire a consultant to conduct the economic impact study.

Section 2

This section appropriates \$100,000 from the General Fund in fiscal year 2025 to the Department of Forests, Parks and Recreation to fund one full time program support specialist.

Section 3

This section appropriates \$50,000 from the General Fund in fiscal year 2025 to the Department of Forests, Parks and Recreation to hire a contractor to develop a set of universal trail best management practices.