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**ACTION CALENDAR**

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS OF WEDNESDAY, APRIL 24, 2013**

**Third Reading**

**S. 165.**

An act relating to collective bargaining for deputy state's attorneys.

**Second Reading**

**Favorable with Proposal of Amendment**

**H. 105.**

An act relating to adult protective services reporting requirements.

**Reported favorably with recommendation of proposal of amendment by Senator Ayer 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. 1, by striking out subdivisions (2) and (3), and by renumbering the remaining subdivisions to be numerically correct

Second: In Sec. 1, in the newly renumbered subdivision (4), by striking out the second sentence and inserting in lieu thereof:

The request for proposals for the grants contained an acknowledgment by the Self-Neglect Task Force that data are lacking at both the state and community levels to determine the scope of the problem of self-neglect.

Third: In Sec. 3, subsection (a), by striking out the first sentence and inserting in lieu thereof:

On or before January 15, 2006 and on or before January 15 of each year thereafter until January 15, 2018, the secretary of the agency of human services Secretary of Human Services shall submit a report to the following committees: the house and senate committees on judiciary, the house committee on human services, and the senate committee on health and welfare House and Senate Committees on Judiciary, the House Committee on Human Services, and the Senate Committee on Health and Welfare.

Fourth: In Sec. 3, subdivision (a)(1)(A)(iv), by inserting before “, including” the following: regardless of whether reports were opened, substantiated, or unsubstantiated

(Committee vote: 5-0-0)

(For House amendments, see House Journal for March 20, 2013, page 419.)

## **NEW BUSINESS**

### **Third Reading**

#### **H. 518.**

An act relating to miscellaneous amendments to Vermont retirement laws.

### **Second Reading**

#### **Favorable with Proposal of Amendment**

#### **H. 2.**

An act relating to the Governor’s Snowmobile Council.

**Reported favorably with recommendation of proposal of amendment by Senator Westman for the Committee on Transportation.**

The Committee recommends that the Senate propose to the House to amend the bill in Sec. 2 by striking out the phrase “on July 1, 2013” and inserting in lieu thereof on passage

(Committee vote: 5-0-0)

(No House amendments.)

#### **H. 95.**

An act relating to unclaimed life insurance benefits.

**Reported favorably with recommendation of proposal of amendment by Senator Mullin for the Committee on Finance.**

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

First: In Sec. 1, 27 V.S.A. § 1244a, subsection (b), after the first sentence, by adding a sentence to read An insurance company may use the full Death Master File once annually and the Death Master File Update Files for the remaining comparisons in the year.

Second: In Sec. 1, 27 V.S.A. § 1244a, by striking out subdivision (b)(1) in its entirety and by inserting in lieu thereof a new subdivision (b)(1) to read as follows:

(1) within 90 days of identifying the match:

(A) complete a good faith effort, which shall be documented by the insurance company, to confirm the death of the insured, annuitant, or retained asset account holder against other available records and information;

(B) review its records to determine whether the deceased insured has purchased any other products with the insurance company; and

(C) determine whether benefits are due in accordance with the applicable policy or contract; and, if benefits are due in accordance with the applicable policy or contract:

(i) use good faith efforts, which shall be documented by the insurance company, to locate the beneficiary or beneficiaries; and

(ii) provide the appropriate claims forms or instructions to the beneficiary or beneficiaries to make a claim, including the need to provide an official death certificate, if applicable under the policy or contract; and

Third: In Sec. 1, 27 V.S.A. § 1244a, subsection (e), after the words “life insurance policy” by adding , contract,

Fourth: In Sec. 1, 27 V.S.A. § 1244a, subdivision (f)(1), after the words “life insurance policy” by adding or contract,

Fifth: In Sec. 1, 27 V.S.A. § 1244a, subsection (g), after the words “unclaimed life insurance” by adding or annuity death

Sixth: By striking out Sec. 2 (effective date; retroactive application) in its entirety and by inserting in lieu thereof a new Sec. 2 to read:

Sec. 2. 8 V.S.A. § 3802a is added to read:

§ 3802a. POLICYHOLDER INFORMATION

For each group life insurance policy issued under this subchapter, the insurer shall maintain at least the following information for those covered under the policy:

(1) Social Security Number, if any, name, and date of birth;

(2) beneficiary designation information;

(3) coverage eligibility;

(4) benefit amount; and

(5) premium payment status.

Seventh: By adding Sec. 3 to read:

Sec. 3. EFFECTIVE DATE; APPLICATION

This act shall take effect on July 1, 2013 and, notwithstanding 1 V.S.A. § 214(b), shall apply to all life insurance policies, annuity contracts, and retained asset accounts in force on or after the effective date, except that Sec. 2 of this act (policyholder information for group life insurance) shall apply only to group life insurance policies issued or renewed on or after the effective date.

(Committee vote: 6-0-1)

(For House amendments, see House Journal for March 21, 2013, page 479.)

**H. 205.**

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

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

The Committee recommends that the Senate propose to the House to amend the bill in the Auctioneers portion of the bill by adding a new section to be Sec. 47a to read:

Sec. 47a. 26 V.S.A. § 4606 is amended to read:

§ 4606. APPLICATION

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(b)(1) The ~~director~~ Director shall license otherwise qualified applicants who have obtained a license in another jurisdiction which has licensure requirements substantially equivalent to those in this ~~state~~ State.

(2) For experienced applicants from states without licensure, the Director may allow related education, training, or experience of the applicant on a case-by-case basis to be a substitute for all or part of the apprenticeship requirement.

(Committee vote: 5-0-0)

(For House amendments, see House Journal for February 28, 2013, page 278.)

**PROPOSAL OF AMENDMENT TO H. 205 TO BE OFFERED BY  
SENATOR SEARS**

Senator Sears moves that the Senate propose to the House to amend the bill by adding a new section, to be Sec. 47a, to read:

\* \* \* Barbers and Cosmetologists \* \* \*

Sec. 47a. AMENDMENT TO RULES OF THE BOARD OF BARBERS  
AND COSMETOLOGISTS

By March 31, 2014, the Board of Barbers and Cosmetologists (the "Board") shall amend Rule 12.3 of the Board to allow in a shop, including in an immediate work area of a shop, any cat or dog belonging to the owner or to an employee of that shop.

**H. 377.**

An act relating to neighborhood planning and development for municipalities with designated centers.

**Reported favorably with recommendation of proposal of amendment by Senator Cummings for the Committee on Economic Development, Housing and General Affairs.**

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

First: In Sec. 2, 24 V.S.A. § 2791, in subdivision (3), by striking out the words "a regional" and inserting in lieu thereof the word the

Second: In Sec. 8, 24 V.S.A. § 2793e, in subsection (c), by striking out subdivision (5) in its entirety and inserting in lieu thereof the following:

(5) The proposed neighborhood development area consists of those portions of the neighborhood planning area that are appropriate for new and infill housing, excluding identified flood hazard and fluvial erosion areas. In determining what areas are most suitable for new and infill housing, the municipality shall balance local goals for future land use, the availability of land for housing within the neighborhood planning area, and the smart growth principles. Based on those considerations, the municipality shall select an area for neighborhood development area designation that:

(A) Avoids or that minimizes to the extent feasible the inclusion of "important natural resources" as defined in subdivision 2791(14) of this title. If an "important natural resource" is included within a proposed neighborhood development area, the applicant shall identify the resource, explain why the resource was included, describe any anticipated disturbance to such resource, and describe why the disturbance cannot be avoided or minimized.

(B) Is served by planned or existing transportation infrastructure that conforms with "complete streets" principles as described under 19 V.S.A. § 309d and establishes pedestrian access directly to the downtown, village center, or new town center.



(C) Is compatible with and will reinforce the character of adjacent National Register Historic Districts, national or state register historic sites, and other significant cultural and natural resources identified by local or state government.

Third: In Sec. 8, 24 V.S.A. § 2793e, in subsection (d), by striking out subdivision (1) in its entirety and inserting in lieu thereof the following:

(1) When approving a neighborhood development area, the State Board shall consult with the applicant about any changes the Board considers making to the boundaries of the proposed area. After consultation with the applicant, the Board may change the boundaries of the proposed area.

Fourth: In Sec. 8, 24 V.S.A. § 2793e, in subsection (d), in subdivision (2), before the words “the members”, by inserting the words at least 80 percent but no fewer than seven of, and by striking out the word “unanimously” and inserting in lieu thereof the word present

Fifth: In Sec. 8, 24 V.S.A. § 2793e, in subsection (h), after the last sentence, by adding Before reviewing such an application, the State Board shall request comment from the municipality.

Sixth: By adding a new section to be Sec. 14a to read:

Sec. 14a. 32 V.S.A. § 3850 is added to read:

§ 3850. BLIGHTED PROPERTY IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM

(a) At an annual or special meeting, a municipality may vote to authorize the legislative body of the municipality to exempt from municipal taxes for a period not to exceed five years the value of improvements made to dwelling units certified as blighted. As used in this section, “dwelling unit” means a building or the part of a building that is used as a primary home, residence, or sleeping place by one or more persons who maintain a household.

(b) If a municipality votes to approve the exemption described in subsection (a) of this section, the legislative body of the municipality shall appoint an independent review committee that is authorized to certify dwelling units in the municipality as blighted and exempt the value of improvements made to these dwelling units.

(c) As used in this section, a dwelling unit may be certified as blighted when it exhibits objectively determinable signs of deterioration sufficient to constitute a threat to human health, safety, and public welfare.

(d) If a dwelling unit is certified as blighted under subsection (b) of this section, the exemption shall take effect on the April 1 following the certification of the dwelling unit.

(Committee vote: 5-0-0)

(For House amendments, see House Journal for March 20, 2013, page 444.)

**Reported favorably by Senator Mullin for the Committee on Finance when amended as recommended by the Committee on Economic Development, Housing and General Affairs.**

(Committee vote: 4-0-3)

### **H. 513.**

An act relating to the Department of Financial Regulation.

**Reported favorably with recommendation of proposal of amendment by Senator Ashe for the Committee on Finance.**

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

First: In Sec. 26, 8 V.S.A. § 3579, by striking out subsection (e) in its entirety and by inserting in lieu thereof a new subsection (e) to read as follows:

(e) No partner or other person rendering the report required by ~~section 3578~~ the annual financial reporting rule adopted by the Commissioner under section 3578a of this title may act in that capacity for more than ~~seven~~ five consecutive years. Upon application by the insurer, the ~~commissioner~~ Commissioner may find that the rotation requirement of this subsection would pose an unreasonable hardship on the insurer and may extend the accountant's period of qualification for an additional term. In making such determinations, the ~~commissioner~~ Commissioner may consider the experience of the retained accountant and the size of his or her business, the premium volume of the insurer, and the number of jurisdictions in which the insurer transacts business, as provided by the annual financial reporting rule adopted by the Commissioner under section 3578 of this title.

Second: In Sec. 30, 8 V.S.A. § 3684, subdivision (b)(7), by striking out the words "is responsible for and"

Third: In Sec. 31, 8 V.S.A. § 3685, subsection (j), by striking out subdivision (4) in its entirety and by inserting a new subdivision (4) to read as follows:

(4) The board of directors of a domestic insurer shall establish one or more committees composed of a majority of directors who are not officers or employees of the insurer or of any entity controlling, controlled by, or under common control with the insurer and who are not beneficial owners of a controlling interest in the voting stock of the insurer or any such entity. The committee or committees shall have responsibility for nominating candidates for director for election by shareholders or policyholders, evaluating the performance of officers deemed to be principal officers of the insurer, and recommending to the board of directors the selection and compensation of the principal officers. For purposes of this subsection, principal officers shall mean the chief executive officer, the president, and any chief operating officer.

Fourth: In Sec. 33, 8 V.S.A. § 3687, subsection (a), in the first sentence, by striking out the words “All information, documents and copies thereof” and by inserting in lieu thereof Documents, materials, or other information in the possession or control of the Department that are

Fifth: In Sec. 33, 8 V.S.A. § 3687, subsection (f), after “confidential by law and privileged,” by inserting shall not be subject to public inspection and copying under the Public Records Act,

Sixth: By adding a Sec. 35a to read:

Sec. 35a. 8 V.S.A. chapter 159 is redesignated to read:

CHAPTER 159. RISK BASED CAPITAL FOR ~~LIFE AND HEALTH~~ INSURERS

Seventh: In Sec. 36, 8 V.S.A. § 8301, by striking out subdivision (9) in its entirety and by inserting in lieu thereof a new subdivision (9) to read as follows:

~~(10)(9) “Negative trend” means a decreasing marginal difference of total adjusted capital over authorized control level risk based capital, with respect to a life or health insurer or fraternal benefit society, negative trend over a period of time as determined in accordance with the trend test calculation incorporated~~ included in the life or fraternal risk based capital instructions.

Eighth: By adding a Sec. 51a to read:

Sec. 51a. 8 V.S.A. chapter 141, subchapter 4 is redesignated to read:

Subchapter 4. Special Purpose Financial ~~Captive~~ Insurance Companies

Ninth: In Sec. 66, 8 V.S.A. § 6048o, subsection (a), by striking out the word “chapter” and inserting in lieu thereof the word subchapter

(Committee vote: 4-0-3)

(No House amendments.)

## NOTICE CALENDAR

### Second Reading

#### Favorable

#### H. 169.

An act relating to relieving employers' experience-rating records.

**Reported favorably by Senator Galbraith for the Committee on Finance.**

(Committee vote: 6-0-1)

(For House amendments, see House Journal of April 2, 2013, page 621.)

**Reported favorably by Senator Westman for the Committee on Appropriations.**

(Committee vote: 7-0-0)

#### H. 474.

An act relating to amending the membership and charge of the Government Accountability Committee.

**Reported favorably by Senator Pollina for the Committee on Government Operations.**

(Committee vote: 5-0-0)

(No House amendments.)

#### H. 525.

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

**Reported favorably by Senator French for the Committee on Government Operations.**

(Committee vote: 5-0-0)

(No House amendments.)

#### H. 529.

An act relating to approval of an amendment to the charter of the Winooski Incorporated School District related to the term of district treasurer.

**Reported favorably by Senator McAllister for the Committee on Government Operations.**

(Committee vote: 5-0-0)

(No House amendments.)

## Favorable with Recommendation of Amendment

### S. 55.

An act relating to increasing efficiency in state government finance and lending operations.

**Reported favorably with recommendation of amendment by Senator Pollina for the Committee on Government Operations.**

The Committee recommends that the bill be amended by striking out all after the enacting clause and inserting in lieu thereof the following:

#### Sec. 1. STATE FINANCIAL SERVICES TASK FORCE

(a) Creation of task force. There is created a State Financial and Lending Efficiency Task Force to evaluate state government operations relating to finance and lending, grant-making, investing, and banking.

(b) Membership. The Task Force shall be composed of the following members:

(1) The Secretary of Commerce and Community Development or designee.

(2) The President of the Vermont Community Foundation or designee.

(3) A business entrepreneur with relevant financial services experience, appointed by the Senate President Pro Tempore.

(4) A current officer or executive of a Vermont-based banking institution, appointed by the Speaker of the House of Representatives.

(5) The Vermont State Treasurer or designee.

(6) One member of the Vermont House of Representatives, appointed by the Speaker of the House of Representatives.

(7) One member of the Vermont Senate, appointed by the Senate President Pro Tempore.

(8) The Executive Director of the Vermont Economic Development Authority or designee.

(9) The executive director of a nonprofit with expertise in designing lending and banking services, appointed by the Senate President Pro Tempore.

(10) A municipal employee whose official duties involve local economic development, appointed by the Speaker of the House of Representatives.

(11) The Director of the Gund Institute for Ecological Economics or designee.

(12) An academic economist appointed jointly by the Speaker of the House of Representatives and the Senate President Pro Tempore.

(13) The president of the Vermont Student Assistance Corporation or designee.

(14) The executive director of the Vermont Housing Finance Agency or designee.

(c) Powers and duties.

(1) The Task Force shall study ways to increase efficiency and reduce costs in government financial operations, including:

(A) The number, nature, and scope of lending, loan servicing, investing, grant-making, and related operations performed by the State and its instrumentalities.

(B) The costs and benefits of contracting out banking services, including fees, transaction costs, debt service, lost profit opportunities, opportunities to increase local investing, and administrative savings.

(C) The costs and benefits of consolidating Vermont tax receipts, fees, or other revenues, including impacts on debt service, and on access to capital for Vermont economic development activities, education lending, and other lending activities:

(i) into one or more Vermont-based private banking institutions; or

(ii) into an existing or new public institution.

(D) How a new public institution can work in partnership with Vermont financial institutions:

(i) to increase access to capital for Vermont citizens and businesses; and

(ii) to provide lower cost capital to municipalities to meet infrastructure needs and other expenditures.

(2) For purposes of its study of these issues, the Task Force shall have administrative, policy, and legal support from the legislative Joint Fiscal Office and the Office of Legislative Council.

(d) Report. On or before January 15, 2014, the Task Force shall report to the House and Senate Committees on Government Operations its findings and any recommendations for legislative action.

(e) Reimbursement. For attendance at meetings during adjournment of the General Assembly, legislative members of the Task Force shall be entitled to compensation and reimbursement for expenses as provided in 2 V.S.A. § 406; and other members of the Task Force who are not employees of the State of Vermont shall be reimbursed at the per diem rate set in 32 V.S.A. § 1010(b) plus mileage reimbursement.

(f) Appropriation. The sum of \$5,000.00 is appropriated from the General Fund in fiscal year 2014 to the Department of Finance and Management for per diem and expenses of the State Financial and Lending Efficiency Task Force under this section.

Sec. 2. EFFECTIVE DATE

This act shall take effect on passage.

(Committee vote: 5-0-0)

**Reported favorably by Senator Hartwell for the Committee on Finance when amended as recommended by the Committee on Government Operations.**

(Committee vote: 6-0-1)

**Reported favorably with recommendation of amendment by Senator Starr for the Committee on Appropriations.**

The Committee recommends that the bill be amended as recommended by the Committee on Government Operations, with the following amendments thereto:

First: In Sec. 1, by striking out subsections (e)–(f) in their entirety.

Second: By striking out Sec. 2 in its entirety and inserting in lieu thereof a new Sec. 2 to read:

Sec. 2. EFFECTIVE DATE; REPEAL

This act shall take effect on passage and shall be repealed on January 16, 2014.

(Committee vote: 7-0-0)

**AMENDMENT TO S. 55 TO BE OFFERED BY SENATOR ASHE**

Senator Ashe moves that the recommendation of amendment of the Committee on Government Operations, be amended as follows:

First: In Sec. 1, by striking out subsection (b) in its entirety and inserting in lieu thereof a new subsection (b) to read:

(b) Membership. The Task Force shall be composed of the following members:

(1) The Vermont State Treasurer, who shall serve as chair.

(2) The Secretary of Commerce and Community Development or designee.

(3) The President of the Vermont Community Foundation or designee.

(4) A business entrepreneur with relevant financial services experience, appointed by the Senate President Pro Tempore.

(5) A current officer or executive of a Vermont-based banking institution, appointed by the Speaker of the House of Representatives.

(6) The Executive Director of the Vermont Economic Development Authority or designee.

(7) The executive director of a nonprofit with expertise in designing lending and banking services, appointed by the Senate President Pro Tempore.

(8) A municipal employee whose official duties involve local economic development, appointed by the Speaker of the House of Representatives.

(9) The Director of the Gund Institute for Ecological Economics or designee.

(10) An academic economist appointed jointly by the Speaker of the House of Representatives and the Senate President Pro Tempore.

(11) The president of the Vermont Student Assistance Corporation or designee.

(12) The executive director of the Vermont Housing Finance Agency or designee.

(13) The executive director of the Vermont Municipal Bond Bank.

(14) A director of a regional economic development corporation appointed by the Senate Committee on Committees.

Second: In Sec. 1, subdivision (c) subsection (1) by adding new subdivisions (E)–(G) to read:

(E) State revenues and cash flow and liquidity requirements of the State and relevant entities or instrumentalities and the potential liquidity impact of potential structural models considered by the Task Force.



(F) Required capital appropriations, if any, or other sources of capital required under potential structural models for start-up and ongoing operations.

(G) Legal issues, constitutional or statutory, compliance with federal and state laws and regulations, and regulatory capital requirements, including:

(i) Requirements of monies paid to the treasury.

(ii) Loans of state money for private purposes.

(iii) Duties of the State Treasurer, Commissioner of Finance and Management, and other relevant state authorities.

(iv) State investment statutes.

(v) Issues arising from use and operation of special funds.

(vi) Regulatory issues for financial institutions under the authority of the Department of Financial Regulation.

Third: In Sec. 1, subsection (c) by striking out subdivision (2) in its entirety and inserting in lieu thereof a new subdivision (2) to read as follows:

(2) For purposes of its study of these issues, the Task Force shall have administrative support from the Office of the Treasurer.

#### **Favorable with Proposal of Amendment**

#### **H. 99.**

An act relating to equal pay.

**Reported favorably with recommendation of proposal of amendment by Senator Mullin for the Committee on Economic Development, Housing and General Affairs.**

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

First: In Sec. 2, 21 V.S.A. § 495, by striking out subdivision (a)(7)(B) and inserting a new subdivision (a)(7)(B) to read:

(B)(i) No employer may do any of the following:

(i)(I) Require, as a condition of employment, that an employee refrain from disclosing the amount of his or her wages or from inquiring about or discussing the wages of other employees.

(ii)(II) Require an employee to sign a waiver or other document that purports to deny the employee the right to disclose the amount of his or her wages or to inquire about or discuss the wages of other employees.

~~(iii) Discharge, formally discipline, or otherwise discriminate against an employee who discloses the amount of his or her wages.~~

(ii) Unless otherwise required by law, an employer may prohibit a human resources manager from disclosing the wages of other employees.

Second: In Sec. 2, 21 V.S.A. § 495, in subsection (h), by adding a sentence at the end of the subsection to read: “Unless otherwise required by law, nothing in this section shall require an employee to disclose his or her wages in response to an inquiry by another employee.

Third: In Sec. 3, 3 V.S.A. § 345, by striking out subsection (b) in its entirety and inserting in lieu thereof a new subsection (b) to read:

(b) A contractor subject to this section shall maintain and make available its books and records at reasonable times and upon notice to the contracting agency and the Attorney General so that either may determine whether the contractor is in compliance with this section.

Fourth: By striking out Sec. 6 in its entirety and inserting in lieu thereof a new Sec. 6 to read:

Sec. 6. 21 V.S.A. § 309 is added to read:

#### § 309. FLEXIBLE WORKING ARRANGEMENTS

(a)(1) An employee may request a flexible working arrangement that meets the needs of the employer and employee. The employer shall consider a request using the procedures in subsections (b) and (c) of this section at least twice per calendar year.

(2) As used in this section, “flexible working arrangement” means intermediate or long-term changes in the employee’s regular working arrangements including changes in the number of days or hours worked, changes in the time the employee arrives at or departs from work, work from home, or job-sharing. “Flexible working arrangement” does not include vacation, routine scheduling of shifts, or another form of employee leave.

(b)(1) The employer shall discuss the request for a flexible working arrangement with the employee in good faith. The employer and employee may propose alternative arrangements during the discussion.

(2) The employer shall consider the employee’s request for a flexible working arrangement and whether the request could be granted in a manner that is not inconsistent with its business operations or its legal or contractual obligations.

(3) As used in this section, “inconsistent with business operations” includes:

(A) the burden on an employer of additional costs;

(B) a detrimental effect on aggregate employee morale unrelated to discrimination or other unlawful employment practices;

(C) a detrimental effect on the ability of an employer to meet consumer demand;

(D) an inability to reorganize work among existing staff;

(E) an inability to recruit additional staff;

(F) a detrimental impact on business quality or business performance;

(G) an insufficiency of work during the periods the employee proposes to work; and

(H) planned structural changes to the business.

(c) The employer shall notify the employee of the decision regarding the request. If the request was submitted in writing, the employer shall state any complete or partial denial of the request in writing.

(d) This section shall not diminish any rights under this chapter or pursuant to a collective bargaining agreement. An employer may institute a flexible working arrangement policy that is more generous than is provided by this section.

(e) The Attorney General, a state’s attorney, or the Human Rights Commission in the case of state employees may enforce subsections (b) and (c) of this section by restraining prohibited acts, conducting civil investigations, and obtaining assurances of discontinuance in accordance with the procedures established in subsection 495b(a) of this title. An employer subject to a complaint shall have the rights and remedies specified in subsection 495b(a) of this title. An investigation against an employer shall not be a prerequisite for bringing an action. The Civil Division of the Superior Court may award injunctive relief and court costs in any action. There shall be no private right of action to enforce this section.

(f) An employer shall not retaliate against an employee exercising his or her rights under this section. The provisions against retaliation in subdivision 495(a)(8) of this title and the penalty and enforcement provisions of section 495b of this title shall apply to this section.

(g) Nothing in this section shall affect any legal rights an employer or employee may have under applicable law to create, terminate, or modify a flexible working arrangement.

Fifth: By striking out Sec. 13 in its entirety and inserting in lieu thereof a new Sec. 13 to read:

Sec. 13. PAID FAMILY LEAVE STUDY COMMITTEE

(a) Creation. There is created a Committee to study the issue of paid family leave in Vermont and to make recommendations regarding whether and how paid family leave may benefit Vermont citizens.

(b) Membership. The Committee shall consist of the following members:

(1) two members of the House of Representatives, who shall not be of the same party, chosen by the Speaker;

(2) two members of the Senate, who shall not be of the same party, chosen by the Committee on Committees;

(3) three representatives from the business community, one appointed by the Speaker and two by the Committee on Committees;

(4) two representatives from labor organizations, one appointed by the Speaker and one by the Committee on Committees;

(5) one representative appointed by the Governor;

(6) the Attorney General or designee;

(7) the Commissioner of Labor or designee;

(8) the Executive Director of the Vermont Commission on Women or designee; and

(9) the Executive Director of the Human Rights Commission or designee.

(c) Duties. The Committee shall examine:

(1) existing paid leave laws and proposed paid leave legislation in other states;

(2) which employees should be eligible for paid leave benefits;

(3) the appropriate level of wage replacement for eligible employees;

(4) the appropriate duration of paid leave benefits;

(5) mechanisms for funding paid leave through employee contributions;

(6) administration of paid leave benefits;

(7) transitioning to a funded paid leave program; and

(8) any other issues relevant to paid leave.

(d) The Committee shall make recommendations including proposed legislation to address paid family leave in Vermont.

(e) The Committee shall convene its first meeting on or before September 1, 2013. The Commissioner of Labor or designee shall be designated Chair of the Committee and shall convene the first and subsequent meetings. The Committee shall have the administrative assistance of the Department of Labor.

(f) The Committee shall report its findings and recommendations on or before January 15, 2014 to the House Committee on General, Housing and Military Affairs and the Senate Committee on Economic Development, Housing and General Affairs.

(g) For participation on the Committee at meetings during the adjournment of the General Assembly, legislative members shall be entitled to per diem compensation and reimbursement of expenses pursuant to 2 V.S.A. § 406.

(h) Other members of the Committee who are not employees of the State of Vermont and who are not otherwise compensated or reimbursed for their participation shall be entitled to per diem compensation or reimbursement of expenses, or both, pursuant to 32 V.S.A. § 1010.

(i) The Committee shall cease to function upon transmitting its report.

(Committee vote: 5-0-0)

(For House amendments, see House Journal for March 19, 2013, page 406.)

**Reported favorably with recommendation of proposal of amendment by Senator Fox for the Committee on Appropriations.**

The Committee recommends that the Senate propose to the House to amend the bill as recommended by the Committee on Economic Development, Housing and General Affairs with the following amendments thereto:

First: In Sec. 13 (Study Committee), subsection (b), by striking out subdivisions (1) and (2) in their entirety and inserting in lieu thereof the following:

(1) One member of the House of Representatives chosen by the Speaker;

(2) One member of the Senate chosen by the Committee on Committees;

Second: In Sec. 13 (Study Committee), at the end of subsection (e) by adding the following: The Committee shall meet not more than five (5) times.

(Committee vote: 7-0-0)

**H. 101.**

An act relating to hunting, fishing, and trapping.

**Reported favorably with recommendation of proposal of amendment by Senator Rodgers for the Committee on Natural Resources and Energy.**

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

First: In Sec. 6, 10 V.S.A. § 4252, by striking subdivisions (a)(9) and (10) in their entirety

and in the first sentence of subdivision (a)(12), after “archery, muzzle loader,” and before the period, by striking “turkey, second archery, and second muzzle loader” and inserting in lieu thereof: and turkey

and in the first sentence of subsection (b), by striking “second archery license, or” where it appears and inserting in lieu thereof: or a

Second: in Sec. 8, 10 V.S.A. § 4254b, by striking subdivision (a)(4) in its entirety and inserting in lieu thereof the following:

(4) “Long-term care facility” means any facility required to be licensed under 33 V.S.A. chapter 71 or a mental hospital required to be licensed under 18 V.S.A. chapter 43.

Third: By striking Sec. 9 in its entirety and inserting in lieu thereof the following:

Sec. 9. 10 V.S.A. § 4255 is amended to read:

§ 4255. LICENSE FEES

(a) Vermont residents may apply for licenses on forms provided by the ~~commissioner~~ Commissioner. Fees for each license shall be:

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|---|---------|
| (1) Fishing license   | \$25.00 |
| (2) Hunting license   | \$22.00 |
| (3) Combination hunting and fishing license                   | \$38.00 |
| (4) Big game licenses (all require a hunting license)         |         |
| (A) archery license   | \$20.00 |
| (B) muzzle loader license                                     | \$20.00 |
| (C) turkey license  | \$23.00 |
| (D) <del>second muzzle loader license</del> <u>[Deleted.]</u> | \$17.00 |
| (E) <del>second archery license</del> <u>[Deleted.]</u>       | \$17.00 |

(F) moose license	\$100.00
(G) <del>additional</del> <u>early season</u> bear tag	\$5.00
(5) Trapping license	\$20.00
(6) Hunting license for persons aged 17 or under	\$8.00
(7) Trapping license for persons aged 17 or under	\$10.00
(8) Fishing license for persons aged 15 through 17	\$8.00
(9) Super sport license	\$150.00
(10) Three-day fishing license	\$10.00
(11) Combination hunting and fishing license for persons aged 17 or under	\$12.00
(12) Mentored hunting license	\$10.00
(b) Nonresidents may apply for licenses on forms provided by the <del>commissioner</del> <u>Commissioner</u> . Fees for each license shall be:	
(1) Fishing license	\$50.00
(2) One-day fishing license	\$20.00
(3) [Deleted.]	
(4) Hunting license	\$100.00
(5) Combination hunting and fishing license	\$135.00
(6) Big game licenses (all require a hunting license)	
(A) archery license	\$38.00
(B) muzzle loader license	\$40.00
(C) turkey license	\$38.00
(D) <del>second muzzle loader license</del> [Deleted]	<del>\$25.00</del>
(E) <del>second archery license</del> [Deleted.]	<del>\$25.00</del>
(F) moose license	\$350.00
(G) <del>additional</del> <u>early season</u> bear tag	\$15.00

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(j) If the ~~board~~ Board determines that a moose season will be held in accordance with the rules adopted under sections 4082 and 4084 of this title, the ~~commissioner~~ Commissioner annually may issue three no-cost moose licenses to a ~~child or young adult age 21 years or under~~ person who has a ~~life~~

~~threatening~~ life-threatening disease or illness and who is sponsored by a qualified charitable organization, provided that at least one of the no-cost annual moose licenses awarded each year shall be awarded to a child or young adult age 21 years of age or under who has a life-threatening illness. The child or ~~young~~ adult ~~must~~ shall comply with all other requirements of this chapter and the rules of the ~~board~~ Board. Under this subsection, a person may receive only one no-cost moose license in his or her lifetime. The ~~commissioner~~ Commissioner shall adopt rules in accordance with 3 V.S.A. chapter 25 of Title 3 to implement this subsection. The rules shall define the child or ~~young~~ adult qualified to receive the no-cost license, shall define a qualified sponsoring charitable organization, and shall provide the application process and criteria for issuing the no-cost moose license.

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(m) The fee for a therapeutic group fishing license issued under section 4254b of this title shall be \$50.00 per year, provided that the Commissioner may waive the fee under this section if the applicant for a therapeutic group fishing license completes instructor certification under the Department's Let's Go Fishing Program. The Commissioner may, at his or her discretion, issue a free therapeutic fishing license to an applicant.

Fourth: In Sec. 20, 10 V.S.A. § 5201, in subdivision (a)(2), after “owner's name and a” and before “method by which to” by striking “legitimate” where it appears

Fifth: In Sec. 21 (Effective Dates), in subsection (b), by striking “Fish and Wildlife Board” where it appears and inserting in lieu thereof: Commissioner of Fish and Wildlife

(Committee vote: 5-0-0)

(For House amendments, see House Journal for April 4, 2013, page 661.)

#### **H. 178.**

An act relating to anatomical gifts.

**Reported favorably with recommendation of proposal of amendment by Senator Ayer 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, 18 V.S.A. § 5227, by inserting a new subsection (c) to read as follows:

(c) If the disposition of the remains of a decedent is determined under subdivision (a)(9) of this section and the funeral director or crematory operator



has cremated the remains, the funeral director or crematory operator shall retain the remains for three years, and, if no interested party as provided in subdivisions (a)(1) through (8) of this section claims the decedent's remains after three years, the funeral director or crematory operator shall arrange for the final disposition of the cremated remains consistent with any applicable law and standard funeral practices.

and by relettering the existing subsection (c) to be (d).

**Second:** In Sec. 4, subsection (b), at the end of subdivision (4), by striking out the word "and" and by inserting new subdivisions (5) and (6) to read:

(5) a licensed funeral director or crematory operator;

(6) a family member of a decedent who made an anatomical gift under 18 V.S.A. chapter 110; and

and by renumbering the existing subdivision (5) to be (7)

(Committee vote: 5-0-0)

(For House amendments, see House Journal for March 20, 2013, page 423.)

**Reported favorably by Senator Fox for the Committee on Appropriations when amended as recommended by the Committee on Health and Welfare.**

(Committee vote: 7-0-0)

### **H. 533.**

An act relating to capital construction and state bonding.

**Reported favorably with recommendation of proposal of amendment by Senator Flory for the Committee on Institutions.**

The Committee recommends that the Senate propose to the House to amend the bill by striking out all after the enacting clause and inserting in lieu thereof the following:

\* \* \* Capital Appropriations \* \* \*

#### Sec. 1. LEGISLATIVE INTENT

(a) It is the intent of the General Assembly that of the \$159,900,000.00 authorized in this act, no more than \$90,248,531.00 shall be appropriated in the first year of the biennium, and the remainder shall be appropriated in the second year.

(b) It is the intent of the General Assembly that in the second year of the biennium, any amendments to the appropriations or authorities granted in this

act shall take the form of a Capital Construction and State Bonding Adjustment Bill. It is the intent of the General Assembly that unless otherwise indicated, all appropriations in this act are subject to capital budget adjustment.

Sec. 2. STATE BUILDINGS

(a) The following sums are appropriated to the Department of Buildings and General Services, and the Commissioner is authorized to direct funds appropriated in this section to the projects contained in this section; however, no project shall be canceled unless the Chairs of the Senate Committee on Institutions and the House Committee on Corrections and Institutions are notified before that action is taken.

(b) The following sums are appropriated in FY 2014:

<u>(1) Statewide, asbestos:</u>	<u>\$50,000.00</u>
<u>(2) Statewide, building reuse and planning:</u>	<u>\$75,000.00</u>
<u>(3) Statewide, contingency:</u>	<u>\$100,000.00</u>
<u>(4) Statewide, major maintenance:</u>	<u>\$8,000,000.00</u>
<u>(5) Statewide, BGS engineering and architectural project costs:</u>	<u>\$2,802,597.00</u>
<u>(6) Statewide, physical security enhancements:</u>	<u>\$200,000.00</u>
<u>(7) Burlington, 32 and 108 Cherry Street, HVAC and DDC controls upgrades and roof renovations:</u>	<u>\$250,000.00</u>
<u>(8) Montpelier, 133 State Street, foundation and parking lot restoration:</u>	<u>\$1,450,000.00</u>
<u>(9) Montpelier, capitol district heat plant:</u>	
<u>(A) 122 State Street, construction:</u>	<u>\$2,500,000.00</u>
<u>(B) 120 State Street, Loading Dock, parking reconfiguration:</u>	<u>\$400,000.00</u>
<u>(10) Southern State Correctional Facility, steamline replacement:</u>	<u>\$600,000.00</u>
<u>(11) Southern State Correctional Facility, copper waterline replacement:</u>	<u>\$400,000.00</u>
<u>(12) Montpelier, Capitol Complex Historic Preservation, major maintenance:</u>	<u>\$200,000.00</u>
<u>(13) NWSCF, roof and soffit replacement, A, B, and C wings:</u>	<u>\$425,000.00</u>

(14) Chittenden Regional Correctional Facility, HVAC upgrades:

\$400,000.00

(15) Renovation and replacement of state-owned assets, Tropical Storm Irene:

(A) Vermont State Hospital, related projects: \$8,700,000.00

(B) Waterbury State Office Complex: \$21,200,000.00

(C) National Life: \$4,100,000.00

(D) Notwithstanding subsection (a) of this section, allocations in this subdivision shall be used only to fund the projects described in this subdivision (15). However, if costs associated with these projects exceed the amount allocated in this subdivision, the Commissioner, in consultation with the Chairs of the House Committee on Corrections and Institutions and the Senate Committee on Institutions, may transfer funds from other projects in this section.

(E) For the purpose of allowing the Department of Buildings and General Services to enter into contractual agreements and complete work on the projects described in this subdivision (15) as soon as possible, it is the intent of the General Assembly that these are committed funds.

(F) A special committee consisting of the Joint Fiscal Committee and the Chairs of the House Committee on Corrections and Institutions and the Senate Committee on Institutions (“Special Committee”) is hereby established. If there are any material changes to the planning or funding of the Waterbury State Office Complex, the Special Committee shall meet to review and approve these changes at the next regularly scheduled meeting of the Joint Fiscal Committee or at an emergency meeting called by the Chairs of the House Committee on Corrections and Institutions, the Senate Committee on Institutions, and the Joint Fiscal Committee. The Special Committee shall be entitled to per diem and expenses as provided in 2 V.S.A. § 406.

(G) The Commissioner of Buildings and General Services shall notify the House Committee on Corrections and Institutions and the Senate Committee on Institutions at least monthly of updates to the planning process for the projects described in this subdivision (b)(15).

(H) As used in this subdivision (b)(15), a “material change” means a change to the planning or funding of the Waterbury State Office Complex that:

(i) increases the total project cost estimate by 10 percent; or

(ii) constitutes a change in plan or design.

(16) Barre, Barre Court, pellet boiler installation, supplement HVAC project: \$329,000.00

(17) Laboratory, feasibility and governance study conducted by the Department of Buildings and General Services, the Agency of Natural Resources, and the Agency of Agriculture, Food and Markets (as described in Sec. 41 of this act): \$100,000.00

(c) The following sums are appropriated in FY 2015:

(1) Statewide, asbestos and lead abatement: \$50,000.00

(2) Statewide, building reuse and planning: \$75,000.00

(3) Statewide, contingency: \$100,000.00

(4) Statewide, major maintenance: \$8,639,064.00

(5) Statewide, BGS engineering and architectural project costs: \$2,802,597.00

(6) Statewide, physical security enhancements: \$100,000.00

(7) Southern State Correctional Facility, steamline replacement:  
\$600,000.00

(8) Southern State Correctional Facility, copper waterline replacement:  
\$300,000.00

(9) Montpelier, Capitol Complex Historic Preservation, major maintenance: \$200,000.00

(10) Renovation and replacement of state-owned assets, Tropical Storm Irene:

(A) Waterbury State Office Complex: \$33,000,000.00

(B) For the purpose of allowing the Department of Buildings and General Services to enter into contractual agreements and complete work on the projects described in this subdivision (10) as soon as possible, it is the intent of the General Assembly that these are committed funds not subject to budget adjustment.

(d) It is the intent of the General Assembly that the Commissioner of Buildings and General Services may use up to \$75,000.00 of the funds appropriated in subdivision (b)(4) of this section for the purpose of funding projects described in 2009 Acts and Resolves No. 43, Sec. 24(b), and in Sec. 49 of this act.

(e) It is the intent of the General Assembly to review the proposal submitted by the Commissioner of Finance and Management pursuant to Sec. 39 of this act and evaluate the suitability of the FY 2015 appropriation to the Department of Buildings and General Services for engineering costs in subdivision (c)(5) of this section.

<u>Appropriation – FY 2014</u>	<u>\$52,281,597.00</u>
<u>Appropriation – FY2015</u>	<u>\$45,866,661.00</u>
<u>Total Appropriation – Section 2</u>	<u>\$98,148,258.00</u>

Sec. 3. ADMINISTRATION

The following sums are appropriated to the Department of Taxes for the Vermont Center for Geographic Information for an ongoing project to update statewide quadrangle maps through digital orthophotographic quadrangle mapping:

- (1) \$100,000.00 is appropriated in FY 2014.
- (2) \$100,000.00 is appropriated in FY 2015.

<u>Total Appropriation – Section 3</u>	<u>\$200,000.00</u>
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Sec. 4. HUMAN SERVICES

(a) The following sums are appropriated in FY 2014 to the Department of Buildings and General Services for the Agency of Human Services for the projects described in this subsection:

- (1) Health laboratory, continuation of design, permitting, bidding, and construction phases for co-location of Department of Health laboratory with the UVM Colchester research facility: \$5,000,000.00
- (2) Corrections, security upgrades: \$100,000.00
- (3) Corrections, facilities conditions analysis: \$100,000.00

(b) The following sums are appropriated in FY 2015 to the Department of Buildings and General Services for the Agency of Human Services for the projects described in this subsection:

- (1) Health laboratory, continuation of design, permitting, bidding, and construction phases for co-location of the Department of Health laboratory with the UVM Colchester research facility: \$6,000,000.00
- (2) Corrections, security upgrades: \$100,000.00

(c) It is the intent of the General Assembly that the funds appropriated in subdivision (b)(1) of this section are committed funds not subject to budget adjustment.

(d) On or before January 15, 2014, the Department of Corrections and the Department of Buildings and General Services shall report to the General Assembly on capital needs at state correctional facilities. The report shall evaluate five-year capital needs and shall include:

(1) a facilities conditions analysis;

(2) an assessment of space required for programming use;

(3) proposed unit configurations for the housing of aging and other special needs populations;

(4) a strategy for housing all Vermont inmates at instate correctional facilities and reducing recidivism rates;

(5) an estimate of the funding required to increase community capacity to meet capital needs; and

(6) an estimate of the funding required to increase capacity in state correctional facilities.

(e) The Commissioner of Buildings and General Services may use the funds appropriated to the Department of Buildings and General Services for the Agency of Human Services in subdivision (a)(3) of this section for the purpose described in subdivision (d)(1) of this section.

<u>Appropriation – FY 2014</u>	<u>\$5,200,000.00</u>
<u>Appropriation – FY 2015</u>	<u>\$6,100,000.00</u>
<u>Total Appropriation – Section 4</u>	<u>\$11,300,000.00</u>

#### Sec. 5. JUDICIARY

(a) The sum of \$1,000,000.00 is appropriated in FY 2014 to the Department of Buildings and General Services on behalf of the Judiciary for the planning and design for building renovations and addition to the Lamoille County Courthouse in Hyde Park.

(b) The sum of \$2,500,000.00 is appropriated in FY 2015 to continue the project described in subsection (a) of this section.

<u>Total Appropriation – Section 5</u>	<u>\$3,500,000.00</u>
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Sec. 6. COMMERCE AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

(a) The following sums are appropriated in FY 2014 to the Department of Buildings and General Services for the Agency of Commerce and Community Development for the following projects:

(1) Major maintenance at historic sites statewide; provided such maintenance shall be under the supervision of the Department of Buildings and General Services: \$200,000.00

(2) Bennington Monument, structural repairs and ADA compliance: \$175,000.00

(b) The following sums are appropriated in FY 2014 to the Agency of Commerce and Community Development for the following projects:

(1) Underwater preserves: \$25,000.00

(2) Placement and replacement of roadside historic site markers: \$15,000.00

(c) The following sums are appropriated in FY 2014 to the Department of Buildings and General Services for the following projects:

(1) Battle of Cedar Creek and Winchester Memorials, relocation and placement of roadside marker: \$30,000.00

(2) Schooner Lois McClure, upgrades: \$50,000.00

(d) The following sum is appropriated in FY 2015 to the Department of Buildings and General Services for the Agency of Commerce and Community Development for major maintenance at historic sites statewide; provided such maintenance shall be under the supervision of the Department of Buildings and General Services: \$200,000.00

(e) The following sums are appropriated in FY 2015 to the Agency of Commerce and Community Development for the following projects:

(1) Underwater preserves: \$35,000.00

(2) Placement and replacement of roadside historic site markers: \$15,000.00

Appropriation – FY 2014 \$495,000.00

Appropriation – FY 2015 \$250,000.00

Total Appropriation – Section 6 \$745,000.00

Sec. 7. GRANT PROGRAMS

(a) The following sums are appropriated in FY 2014 for Building

Communities Grants established in 24 V.S.A. chapter 137:

(1) To the Agency of Commerce and Community Development, Division for Historic Preservation, for the Historic Preservation Grant Program: \$225,000.00

(2) To the Agency of Commerce and Community Development, Division for Historic Preservation, for the Historic Barns Preservation Grant Program: \$225,000.00

(3) To the Vermont Council on the Arts for the Cultural Facilities Grant Program, the sum of which may be used to match funds that may be made available from the National Endowment of the Arts, provided that all capital funds are made available to the cultural facilities grant program: \$225,000.00

(4) To the Department of Buildings and General Services for the Recreational Facilities Grant Program: \$225,000.00

(5) To the Department of Buildings and General Services for the Human Services and Educational Facilities Competitive Grant Program: \$225,000.00

(6) To the Department of Buildings and General Services for the Regional Economic Development Grant Program: \$225,000.00

(b) The following sum is appropriated in FY 2014 to the Agency of Agriculture, Food and Markets for the Agricultural Fairs Capital Projects Competitive Grant Program: \$225,000.00

(c) The following sums are appropriated in FY 2015 for Building Communities Grants established in 24 V.S.A. chapter 137:

(1) To the Agency of Commerce and Community Development, Division for Historic Preservation, for the Historic Preservation Grant Program: \$225,000.00

(2) To the Agency of Commerce and Community Development, Division for Historic Preservation, for the Historic Barns Preservation Grant Program: \$225,000.00

(3) To the Vermont Council on the Arts for the Cultural Facilities Grant Program, the sum of which may be used to match funds that may be made available from the National Endowment of the Arts, provided that all capital funds are made available to the cultural facilities grant program: \$225,000.00

(4) To the Department of Buildings and General Services for the Recreational Facilities Grant Program: \$225,000.00

(5) To the Department of Buildings and General Services for the Human Services and Educational Facilities Competitive Grant Program: \$225,000.00



(6) To the Department of Buildings and General Services for the Regional Economic Development Grant Program: \$225,000.00

(d) The following sum is appropriated in FY 2015 to the Agency of Agriculture, Food and Markets for the Agricultural Fairs Capital Projects Competitive Grant Program: \$225,000.00

Appropriation – FY 2014 \$1,575,000.00

Appropriation – FY 2015 \$1,575,000.00

Total Appropriation – Section 7 \$3,150,000.00

#### Sec. 8. EDUCATION

(a) The sum of \$6,704,634.00 is appropriated in FY 2014 to the Agency of Education for funding the state share of completed school construction projects pursuant to 16 V.S.A. § 3448.

(b) The sum of \$10,411,446 is appropriated in FY 2015 to the Agency of Education for the funding the state share of completed school construction projects pursuant to 16 V.S.A. § 3448. It is the intent of the General Assembly that the funds appropriated in subdivision (b) of this section are committed funds not subject to budget adjustment.

Appropriation – FY 2014 \$6,704,634.00

Appropriation – FY 2015 \$10,411,446.00

Total Appropriation – Section 8 \$17,116,080.00

#### Sec. 9. UNIVERSITY OF VERMONT

(a) The sum of \$1,400,000.00 is appropriated in FY 2014 to the University of Vermont for construction, renovation, and major maintenance.

(b) The sum of \$1,400,000.00 is appropriated in FY 2015 to the University of Vermont for construction, renovation, and major maintenance.

(c) It is the intent of the General Assembly to evaluate in the second year of the biennium the appropriate amount for future funding of this project.

Total Appropriation – Section 9 \$2,800,000.00

#### Sec. 10. VERMONT STATE COLLEGES

(a) The sum of \$1,400,000.00 is appropriated in FY 2014 to the Vermont State Colleges for construction, renovation, and major maintenance.

(b) The sum of \$1,400,000.00 is appropriated in FY 2015 to the Vermont State Colleges for construction, renovation, and major maintenance.

(c) On or before January 15, 2014, the Vermont State Colleges shall, in coordination with the Enhanced 911 Board, bring each state college into compliance with the requirements of 30 V.S.A. § 7057 (privately owned telephone systems) or develop a comprehensive plan approved by the Enhanced 911 Board to bring each state college into compliance with the Enhanced 911 program requirements. The funds appropriated in FY 2015 to the Vermont State Colleges shall only become available after the Enhanced 911 Board has notified the Chairs of the House Committee on Corrections and Institutions and the Senate Committee on Institutions that the Vermont State Colleges has met these requirements.

(d) It is the intent of the General Assembly to evaluate in the second year of the biennium the appropriate amount for future funding of this project.

Total Appropriation – Section 10 \$2,800,000.00

Sec. 11. NATURAL RESOURCES

(a) The following sums are appropriated to the Agency of Natural Resources in FY 2014 for:

(1) the Water Pollution Control Fund for the following projects:

(A) Clean Water State/EPA Revolving Loan Fund (CWSRF) match:  
\$1,381,600.00

(B) Principal associated with funding for the Pownal project:  
\$500,000.00

(C) Administrative support – engineering, oversight, and program management:  
\$300,000.00

(2) the Drinking Water Supply for the following projects:

(A) Drinking Water State Revolving Fund: \$2,500,000.00

(B) Engineering, oversight, and project management: \$300,000.00

(C) EcoSystem restoration and protection: \$2,250,000.00

(D) Waterbury waste treatment facility for phosphorous removal:  
\$3,440,000.00

(3) the Agency of Natural Resources for the Department of Forests, Parks and Recreation for statewide small scale rehabilitation, wastewater repairs, preventive improvements and upgrades of restrooms and bathhouses, and statewide small-scale road rehabilitation projects: \$2,000,000.00

(4) the Department of Fish and Wildlife for the following projects:

<u>(A) general infrastructure projects:</u>	<u>\$1,000,000.00</u>
<u>(B) Fish and Wildlife Enforcement Division, for safety ramps, GPS units, deer decoys, and snowmobiles:</u>	<u>\$75,950.00</u>
<u>(C) Lake Champlain Walleye Association, Inc. to upgrade and repair the walleye rearing, restoration, and stocking infrastructure:</u>	<u>\$25,000.00</u>
<u>(b) The following sums are appropriated to the Agency of Natural Resources in FY 2015 for:</u>	
<u>(1) the Water Pollution Control Fund for the following projects:</u>	
<u>(A) Clean Water State/EPA Revolving Loan Fund (CWSRF) match:</u>	<u>\$700,000.00</u>
<u>(B) Interest associated with delayed grant funding for the Pownal project:</u>	<u>\$30,000.00</u>
<u>(C) Springfield loan conversions:</u>	<u>\$78,000.00</u>
<u>(D) Administrative support – engineering, oversight, and program management:</u>	<u>\$300,000.00</u>
<u>(2) the Drinking Water Supply for the following projects:</u>	
<u>(A) Drinking Water State Revolving Fund:</u>	<u>\$1,000,000.00</u>
<u>(B) Engineering, oversight, and project management:</u>	<u>\$300,000.00</u>
<u>(C) EcoSystem restoration and protection:</u>	<u>\$2,073,732.00</u>
<u>(3) dam safety and hydrology projects:</u>	<u>\$400,000.00</u>
<u>(4) the Agency of Natural Resources for the Department of Forests, Parks and Recreation for statewide small scale rehabilitation, wastewater repairs, preventive improvements and upgrades of restrooms and bathhouses, and statewide small-scale road rehabilitation projects:</u>	<u>\$2,000,000.00</u>
<u>(5) the Department of Fish and Wildlife:</u>	<u>\$1,000,000.00</u>
<u>(c) It is the intent of the General Assembly to review the proposal submitted by the Commissioner of Finance and Management pursuant to Sec. 39 of this act to evaluate the suitability of the FY 2015 appropriations to the Agency of Natural Resources for engineering costs in subdivisions (b)(1)(D) and (b)(2)(B) of this section.</u>	
<u>Appropriation – FY 2014</u>	<u>\$13,772,550.00</u>
<u>Appropriation – FY 2015</u>	<u>\$7,881,732.00</u>
<u>Total Appropriation – Section 11</u>	<u>\$21,654,282.00</u>

Sec. 12. MILITARY

(a) The sum of \$750,000.00 is appropriated in FY 2014 to the Department of Military for land acquisition, new construction, maintenance, and renovations at state armories. To the extent feasible, these funds shall be used to match federal funds.

(b) The sum of \$500,000.00 is appropriated in FY 2015 for the purpose described in subsection (a) of this section.

Total Appropriation – Section 12 \$1,250,000.00

Sec. 13. PUBLIC SAFETY

(a) The sum of \$3,000,000.00 is appropriated in FY 2014 to the Department of Buildings and General Services for the Department of Public Safety for the design, construction, and fit-up of a new public safety field station to consolidate the Brattleboro and Rockingham barracks. For the purpose of allowing the Department of Buildings and General Services to enter into contractual agreements and complete work on the projects described in this subsection as soon as possible, it is the intent of the General Assembly that these are committed funds.

(b) The sum of \$3,100,000.00 is appropriated in FY 2015 for the project described in subsection (a) of this section. For the purpose of allowing the Department of Buildings and General Services to enter into contractual agreements and complete work on the project as soon as possible, it is the intent of the General Assembly that these are committed funds not subject to budget adjustment.

(c) The sum of \$550,000.00 is appropriated in FY 2014 to the Department Buildings and General Services for the Department of Public Safety to purchase land for public safety field stations and to conduct feasibility studies.

(d) The sum of \$300,000.00 is appropriated in FY 2015 for the project described in subsection (c) of this section.

(e) The sum of \$50,000.00 is appropriated in FY 2014 to the Department of Public Safety for the purchase of fire safety equipment for the Fire Service Training Center in Pittsford.

Appropriation – FY 2014 \$3,600,000.00  
Appropriation – FY 2015 \$3,400,000.00  
Total Appropriation – Section 13 \$7,000,000.00

Sec. 14. AGRICULTURE, FOOD AND MARKETS

(a) The sum of \$150,000.00 is appropriated in FY 2014 to the Department of Buildings and General Services for the Agency of Agriculture, Food and Markets for major maintenance costs at the Vermont Exposition Center Building in Springfield, Massachusetts.

(b) The sum of \$1,200,000.00 is appropriated in FY 2015 to the Agency of Agriculture, Food and Markets for the conservation reserve enhancement program and the best management practice implementation cost share program to continue to reduce nonpoint source pollution in Vermont. Cost share funds for the best management practice implementation cost share program shall not exceed 90 percent of the total cost of a project. Whenever possible, state funds shall be combined with federal funds to complete projects.

<u>Appropriation – FY 2014</u>	<u>\$150,000.00</u>
<u>Appropriation – FY 2015</u>	<u>\$1,200,000.00</u>
<u>Total Appropriation – Section 14</u>	<u>\$1,350,000.00</u>

Sec. 15. VERMONT PUBLIC TELEVISION

(a) The sum of \$205,750.00 is appropriated in FY 2014 to Vermont Public Television for the continuation of digital conversion and energy conservation retrofitting.

(b) The sum of \$200,000.00 is appropriated in FY 2015 to Vermont Public Television for transmission security.

<u>Appropriation – FY 2014</u>	<u>\$205,750.00</u>
<u>Appropriation – FY 2015</u>	<u>\$200,000.00</u>
<u>Total Appropriation – Section 15</u>	<u>\$405,750.00</u>

Sec. 16. VERMONT RURAL FIRE PROTECTION

(a) The sum of \$100,000.00 is appropriated in FY 2014 to the Department of Public Safety for the Vermont Rural Fire Protection Task Force to continue the dry hydrant program.

(b) The sum of \$100,000.00 is appropriated in FY 2015 for the project described in subsection (a) of this section.

<u>Total Appropriation – Section 16</u>	<u>\$200,000.00</u>
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Sec. 17. VERMONT VETERANS' HOME

(a) The sum of \$1,216,000.00 is appropriated in FY 2014 to the Department of Buildings and General Services for the Vermont Veterans'

Home for emergency mold remediation actions, for updates to the 2006 facilities assessment report, and for the development of a comprehensive plan to address and prevent mold growth.

(b) The Commissioner of Buildings and General Services, in consultation with the Chief Administrative Officer of the Veterans' Home, shall apply for any eligible federal funds to use as a match for the appropriation made in subsection (a) of this section and shall work with Vermont's Congressional Delegation to investigate the availability of other possible federal funding sources. The Commissioner of Buildings and General Services shall notify the Chairs of the House Committee on Corrections and Institutions and the Senate Committee on Institutions on the availability of federal funds and the status of a federal match to be used for the project described in subsection (a) of this section on or before July 31, 2013.

(c) The Commissioner of Buildings and General Services, in consultation with the Chief Administrative Officer of the Veterans' Home, shall contract with an independent third party to conduct an update to the 2006 facilities assessment report of the Vermont Veterans' Home. On or before January 15, 2014, the Commissioner shall submit a copy of the report to the House Committee on Corrections and Institutions and the Senate Committee on Institutions.

(d) The Commissioner of Buildings and General Services, in consultation with the Chief Administrative Officer of the Veterans' Home, shall contract with an independent third party to prepare a comprehensive plan to address the ongoing mold issues at the Home and prevent any additional mold issues.

(1) The plan shall include:

(A) identification of currently known mold issues and potential mold issues at the Veterans' Home;

(B) recommendations for implementing preventive measures to address mold growth;

(C) estimates for the projected cost to implement the recommendations and preventive measures;

(D) a proposed time line to implement the plan; and

(E) a review and consideration of the findings of the Veterans' Home management and operations review required by 2013 Acts and Resolves No. 1, Sec. 53.1, the updated facilities assessment report required by subsection (c) of this section, and the findings and recommendations of any other design professionals or consultants engaged by the Department of Buildings and General Services to work at the Veterans' Home.

(2) On or before February 15, 2014, the Commissioner shall submit a copy of the plan to the Veterans' Home Board of Trustees, the Vermont State Employees' Association (VSEA), the House Committee on Corrections and Institutions, and the Senate Committee on Institutions.

Total Appropriation – Section 17 \$1,216,000.00

Sec. 18. VERMONT INTERACTIVE TECHNOLOGIES

(a) The sum of \$288,000.00 is appropriated in FY 2014 to the Vermont States Colleges for the Vermont Interactive Technologies for the purchase of equipment necessary for systems and unit upgrades at Vermont Interactive Technologies sites.

(b) The sum of \$88,000.00 is appropriated in FY 2015 for the project described in subsection (a) of this section.

Appropriation – FY 2014 \$288,000.00

Appropriation – FY 2015 \$88,000.00

Total Appropriation – Section 18 \$376,000.00

Sec. 18a. ENHANCED 911 PROGRAM

(a) The sum of \$10,000.00 is appropriated in FY 2014 to the Enhanced 911 Board for the planning and implementation of the Enhanced 911 program in schools pursuant to 30 V.S.A. § 7057.

(b) The sum of \$10,000.00 is appropriated in FY 2015 for the project described in subsection (a) of this section.

Total Appropriation – Section 18a \$20,000.00

\* \* \* Financing this Act \* \* \*

Sec. 19. REALLOCATION OF FUNDS; TRANSFER OF FUNDS

(a) The following sums are reallocated to the Department of Buildings and General Services from prior capital appropriations to defray expenditures authorized in Sec. 2 of this act:

(1) of the amount appropriated by 2009 Acts and Resolves No. 43, Sec. 1 (32 Cherry Street): \$48,065.57

(2) of the amount appropriated by 2009 Acts and Resolves No. 43, Sec. 1 (Rutland multimodal garage trench drains): \$404.09

(3) of the amount appropriated by 2010 Acts and Resolves No. 161, Sec. 3 (VSH ongoing safety): \$96.98

(4) of the amount appropriated by 2010 Acts and Resolves No. 161, Sec. 14 (two-way radio system): \$12,579.71

(5) of the amount appropriated by 2011 Acts and Resolves No. 40, Sec. 2 (DMV bathroom renovations): \$119,067.33

(6) of the amount appropriated by 2011 Acts and Resolves No. 40, Sec. 2 (engineer cost): \$158,779.04

(7) of the amount appropriated by 2011 Acts and Resolves No. 40, Sec. 2 (116 State Street): \$0.02

(8) of the amount appropriated by 2011 Acts and Resolves No. 40, Sec. 2 (Waterbury fuel tank replacement): \$400,000.00

(9) of the amount appropriated by 2011 Acts and Resolves No. 40, Sec. 7 (recreation grant program): \$8,150.00

(10) of the amount appropriated by 2011 Acts and Resolves No. 40, Sec. 7 (Human Service and Educational Grant): \$2,515.61

(11) of the amount appropriated by 2011 Acts and Resolves No. 40, Sec. 14(e) (architectural assessment, Middlesex): \$6.80

(12) of the amount appropriated by 2010 Acts and Resolves No. 161, Sec. 6(3) (Vermont Arts Council, cultural facilities grant): \$29,454.00

(b) The following unexpended funds appropriated to the Agency of Natural Resources for capital construction projects are reallocated to the Department of Buildings and General Services to defray expenditures authorized in Sec. 2 of this act:

(1) of the amount appropriated by 1989 Acts and Resolves No. 52, Sec. 8(b)(1) (water pollution): \$9,426.24

(2) of the amount appropriated by 1990 Acts and Resolves No. 276, Sec. 10 (potable water supply construction): \$17,430.00

(3) of the amount appropriated by 1991 Acts and Resolves No. 93, Sec. 11(d)(2) (water supply): \$46,514.75

(4) of the amount appropriated by 1992 Acts and Resolves No. 256, Sec. 11(e)(1) (water pollution): \$35,000.65

(5) of the amount appropriated by 1998 Acts and Resolves No. 148, Sec. 13(b)(1) (water supply): \$72,513.80

(6) of the amount appropriated by 1998 Acts and Resolves No. 148, Sec. 13(b)(2)(A) (pollution control): \$305,394.84



<u>(7) of the amount appropriated by 2001 Acts and Resolves No. 61, Sec. 9(a) (various projects):</u>	<u>\$277,833.51</u>
<u>(8) of the amount appropriated by 2003 Acts and Resolves No. 63, Sec. 8 (water pollution/drinking):</u>	<u>\$118,725.81</u>
<u>(9) of the amount appropriated by 2004 Acts and Resolves No. 121, Sec. 10 (water pollution grants):</u>	<u>\$896.40</u>
<u>(10) of the amount appropriated by 2004 Acts and Resolves No. 121, Sec. 10 (clean and clear program):</u>	<u>\$44,447.91</u>
<u>(11) of the amount appropriated by 2004 Acts and Resolves No. 121, Sec. 10 (ecological assessments):</u>	<u>\$36.70</u>
<u>(12) of the amount appropriated by 2004 Acts and Resolves No. 121, Sec. 10 (species recovery plan):</u>	<u>\$3.90</u>
<u>(13) of the amount appropriated by 2005 Acts and Resolves No. 43, Sec. 9 (water pollution grants):</u>	<u>\$128,115.97</u>
<u>(14) of the amount appropriated by 2005 Acts and Resolves No. 43, Sec. 9 (clean and clear program):</u>	<u>\$135,500.37</u>
<u>(15) of the amount appropriated by 2006 Acts and Resolves No. 147, Sec. 10 (water pollution grants):</u>	<u>\$34,703.62</u>
<u>(16) of the amount appropriated by 2006 Acts and Resolves No. 147, Sec. 10 (clean and clear program):</u>	<u>\$40,686.00</u>
<u>(17) of the amount appropriated by 2007 Acts and Resolves No. 52, Sec. 11 (water pollution control):</u>	<u>\$35,000.00</u>
<u>(18) of the amount appropriated by 2007 Acts and Resolves No. 52, Sec. 11 (state-owned dams):</u>	<u>\$198,104.00</u>
<u>(19) of the amount appropriated by 2007 Acts and Resolves No. 52, Sec. 11 (clean and clear):</u>	<u>\$320,042.39</u>
<u>(20) of the amount appropriated by 2008 Acts and Resolves No. 200, Sec. 12 (clean and clear):</u>	<u>\$92,906.23</u>
<u>(21) of the amount appropriated by 2008 Acts and Resolves No. 200, Sec. 12 (water pollution):</u>	<u>\$87,967.95</u>
<u>(22) of the amount appropriated by 2009 Acts and Resolves No. 43, Sec. 9 (water pollution control):</u>	<u>\$231,202.30</u>
<u>(23) of the amount appropriated by 2009 Acts and Resolves No. 43, Sec. 9 (clean and clear):</u>	<u>\$515,957.62</u>

(24) of the amount appropriated by 2010 Acts and Resolves No. 161, Sec. 12 (Drinking Water State Revolving Fund): \$5,500.00

(25) of the amount appropriated by 2010 Acts and Resolves No. 161, Sec. 12 (water pollution control): \$123,666.00

(26) of the amount appropriated by 2010 Acts and Resolves No. 161, Sec. 12 (clean and clear): \$66,864.08

(27) of the amount appropriated by 2010 Acts and Resolves No. 161, Sec. 12 (sea lamprey control project): \$155,898.60

(28) of the amount appropriated by 2011 Acts and Resolves No. 40, Sec. 12(a) (water pollution control): \$210,000.00

(29) of the amount appropriated by 2011 Acts and Resolves No. 40, Sec. 12(a) (water pollution TMDL/wetland): \$20,112.00

(30) of the amount appropriated by 2012 Acts and Resolves No. 40, Sec. 12(b) (drinking water projects): \$35,483.32

(31) of the amount appropriated by 2012 Acts and Resolves No. 40, Sec. 12(b) (water pollution control): \$472,239.85

(c) The following unexpended funds appropriated to the Agency of Commerce and Community Development for capital construction projects are reallocated to the Department of Buildings and General Services to defray expenditures authorized in Sec. 2 of this act:

(1) of the amount appropriated by 2007 Acts and Resolves No. 52, Sec. 7(e) (Unmarked Burial Fund): \$18,928.39

(2) of the amount appropriated by 2008 Acts and Resolves No. 200, Sec. 7(b)(1) (Unmarked Burial Fund): \$24,769.00

(d) The following sums are reallocated to the Department of Buildings and General Services to defray expenditures authorized in Sec. 2 of this act:

(1) of the proceeds from the sale of property authorized by 2009 Acts and Resolves No. 43, Sec. 25(i) (sale of Thayer school): \$433,478.30

(2) of the amount recouped by the state for waterfront enhancement authorized by 1993 Acts and Resolves No. 59, Sec. 16d(c) (special fund 21896, Waterfront Preservation Fund): \$190,000.00

(3) of the proceeds from the sale of property authorized by 2009 Acts and Resolves No. 43, Sec. 25(d) (sale of former North American Playcare, Inc. building in Middlesex): \$132,040.88

(4) of the proceeds from the sale of property authorized by 20 V.S.A. § 542 (Northfield, Ludlow, and Rutland armories): \$311,539.21  
Total Reallocations and Transfers – Section 19 \$5,728,049.74

Sec. 20. GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS AND APPROPRIATIONS

(a) The State Treasurer is authorized to issue general obligation bonds in the amount of \$159,900,000.00 for the purpose of funding the appropriations of this act. The State Treasurer, with the approval of the Governor, shall determine the appropriate form and maturity of the bonds authorized by this section consistent with the underlying nature of the appropriation to be funded. The State Treasurer shall allocate the estimated cost of bond issuance or issuances to the entities to which funds are appropriated pursuant to this section and for which bonding is required as the source of funds, pursuant to 32 V.S.A. § 954.

(b) The State Treasurer is further authorized to issue additional general obligation bonds in the amount of \$7,603,320.00 that were previously authorized but unissued under 2011 Acts and Resolves No. 40, Sec. 25 for the purpose of funding the appropriations of this act. This amount shall be allocated to the Department of Buildings and General Services to defray expenditures in Sec. 2 of this act.

Total Revenues – Section 20 \$167,503,320.00

Sec. 21. SALE OF BUILDING 617 IN ESSEX; USE OF PROCEEDS

The proceeds from the sale of Building 617 in Essex shall be allocated to the Department of Buildings and General Services and used to defray FY 2014 expenditures in Sec. 2 of this act. To the extent such use of proceeds results in a like amount of general obligation bonds authorized in Sec. 20 of this act for Sec. 2 to remain unissued at the end of FY 2014, then such unissued amount of bonds shall remain authorized to be issued in FY 2015 to provide additional funding for the Waterbury State Office Complex and such amount shall be appropriated in FY 2015 to Sec. 2(c)(10) of this act.

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\* \* \* Buildings and General Services \* \* \*

Sec. 22. REPEAL; ROBERT GIBSON PARK; TOWN OF BRATTLEBORO

1999 Acts and Resolves No. 29, Sec. 19(b)(1)(C)(i) (repayment of appropriation for Robert Gibson Park) is repealed.

Sec. 23. 2012 Acts and Resolves No. 104, Sec. 25 is amended to read:

Sec. 25. EMPLOYEE SERVICE MEMORIAL

(a) ~~The commissioner of buildings and general services~~ Commissioner of Buildings and General Services, in consultation with the ~~commissioner of human resources~~ Commissioner of Human Resources and an association representing Vermont state employees, shall develop a plan to honor the services of past, present, and future Vermont state employees with an appropriate memorial. On or before January 15, ~~2013~~ 2014, the ~~commissioner of buildings and general services~~ Commissioner of Buildings and General Services shall recommend a future location for an employee service memorial and provide estimated costs to the ~~general assembly~~ General Assembly.

(b) ~~The commissioner of buildings and general services~~ Commissioner of Buildings and General Services may accept donations for the administration, materials, creation, and maintenance of the service memorial.

Sec. 24. NEWPORT WATERFRONT

Notwithstanding 29 V.S.A. §§ 165(h) and 166(b), the Commissioner of Buildings and General Services is authorized to sell, lease, gift, or otherwise convey the property or any portion thereof associated with the Waterfront in the City of Newport. The Commissioner is further authorized to accept federal or state grants for improvements, maintenance, and operating costs associated with the Newport Waterfront.

Sec. 25. BATTLE OF CEDAR CREEK AND WINCHESTER MEMORIALS

The Commissioner of Buildings and General Services is authorized to use the appropriation in Sec. 6(c)(1) of this act for expenses associated with the placement of a Vermont historical roadside marker at the Cedar Creek Battlefield in Virginia, the relocation of the Battle of Winchester Memorial to its original location on the Third Winchester Battlefield in Virginia, and reimbursement to the Civil War Trust, the State of Virginia, and the United States Veterans Administration for any expenses associated with the completion of these projects. Expenses associated with the placement of the roadside marker or the relocation of the Memorial may include site acquisition, planning, design, transportation, and any other reasonably related costs.

Sec. 26. 29 V.S.A. § 165 is amended to read:

§ 165. SPACE ALLOCATION, INVENTORY, AND USE; LEASING PROPERTY; COMMISSIONER'S PREAPPROVAL REQUIRED

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(d) ~~The commissioner of buildings and general services~~ Commissioner of Buildings and General Services shall by rule establish procedures which all agencies shall follow in the leasing of real property. No agency shall enter into any lease, no lease shall be valid, and no state funds shall be paid by the ~~department of finance and management~~ Department of Finance and Management pursuant to the terms of any lease, unless the proposed lease has been pre-approved by the ~~commissioner of buildings and general services~~ Commissioner of Buildings and General Services. If a lease is entered into pursuant to this section, the Commissioner of Buildings and General Services shall preapprove any additional fees, reimbursements, charges, or fit-up costs in excess of the proposed lease rental rate.

Sec. 27. SPECIAL FUND FOR WATERFRONT

Notwithstanding 1993 Acts and Resolves No. 59, Sec. 16d(c), the funds allocated to the special fund for the waterfront to be used for the purpose of waterfront enhancement and preservation are transferred to the Department of Buildings and General Services to defray expenditures authorized in Sec. 2 of this act.

Sec. 28. WINDSOR COUNTY COURTHOUSE

Of the amount appropriated in 2011 Acts and Resolves No. 40, Sec. 5 to the Department of Buildings and General Services on behalf of the Judiciary, the sum of \$40,000.00 is directed to the Windsor County Courthouse in Woodstock to perform repairs and upgrades to bring the facility into ADA compliance.

Sec. 29. 2011 Acts and Resolves No. 40, Sec. 12(b), as amended by 2012 Acts and Resolves No. 104, Sec. 8, is amended to read:

(b) The following sums are appropriated to the ~~agency of natural resources~~ Agency of Natural Resources in FY 2013 for:

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~~(E)(6) the department of forests, parks and recreation~~ Department of Forests, Parks and Recreation for the Vermont Youth Conservation Corps to perform stabilization, restoration, and cleanup of environmental damage to waterways, forests, and public access lands caused by Tropical Storm Irene, including projects such as controlling the spread of invasive species, stabilizing flood-eroded river and stream banks; restoring vital aquatic and wildlife habitats, removing toxic materials from fragile natural areas, and remediating recognized viewsheds: 200,000

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\* \* \* Commerce and Community Development \* \* \*

Sec. 30. REGIONAL ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT GRANT PROGRAM

The Commissioner of Buildings and General Services, in consultation with the Secretary of Commerce and Community Development, the Regional Development Corporations of Vermont, and the Regional Economic Development Advisory Committee, shall consider whether the Regional Economic Development grants are being awarded to projects for the purpose of funding capital expenses and whether catastrophic situations should qualify for grants.

\* \* \* Agency of Agriculture, Food and Markets \* \* \*

Sec. 31. ADDITIONAL FUNDING FOR CAPITAL PROJECTS

If additional support is required for the Best Management Practice Implementation Cost-Share Program and the Conservation Reserve Enhancement Program in FY 2014, the Secretary of Agriculture, Food and Markets is authorized to use as funding prior capital fund appropriations for these programs to the Agency of Agriculture, Food and Markets.

Sec. 32. AGRICULTURE; REALLOCATION

Of the amount held in the Eastern States Building Special Fund #21682, it the intent of the General Assembly that the Agency of Agriculture, Food and Markets shall redirect the sum of \$125,000.00 to the Department of Buildings and General Services for major maintenance at the Vermont Exposition Center Building in Springfield, Massachusetts.

\* \* \* Capital Planning and Finance \* \* \*

Sec. 33. 29 V.S.A. § 152 is amended to read:

§ 152. DUTIES OF COMMISSIONER

(a) ~~The commissioner of buildings and general services~~ Commissioner of Buildings and General Services, in addition to the duties expressly set forth elsewhere by law, shall have the authority to:

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(3) Prepare or cause to be prepared plans and specifications for construction and repair on all state-owned buildings:

(A) For which the ~~legislature~~ General Assembly or the ~~emergency board~~ Emergency Board has made specific appropriations. In consultation with the department or agency concerned, the ~~commissioner~~ Commissioner shall select sites, purchase lands, determine plans and specifications, and advertise for bids for the furnishing of materials and construction thereof and

of appurtenances thereto. The ~~commissioner~~ Commissioner shall determine the time for beginning and completing the construction. Any change orders occurring under the contracts let as the result of actions previously mentioned in this section shall not be allowed unless they have the approval of the ~~secretary of administration~~ Secretary of Administration.

(B) For which no specific appropriations have been made by the ~~legislature~~ General Assembly or the ~~emergency board~~ Emergency Board. The ~~commissioner~~ Commissioner may, with the approval of the ~~secretary of administration~~ Secretary of Administration acquire an option, for a price not to exceed \$75,000.00, on an individual property without prior legislative approval, provided the option contains a provision stating that purchase of the property shall occur only upon the approval of the ~~general assembly~~ General Assembly and the appropriation of funds for this purpose. The ~~state treasurer~~ State Treasurer is authorized to advance a sum not to exceed \$75,000.00, upon warrants drawn by the ~~commissioner of finance and management~~ Commissioner of Finance and Management for the purpose of purchasing an option on a property pursuant to this subdivision.

(C) For which the Department of Buildings and General Services is granted a right of first refusal. The Commissioner may, with the approval of the Secretary of Administration, enter into an agreement that grants the Department of Buildings and General Services a right of first refusal to purchase property, provided that the right of first refusal contains a provision stating that the purchase of the property shall occur only upon the approval of the General Assembly.

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(23) With the approval of the ~~secretary of administration~~ Secretary of Administration, transfer during any fiscal year to the ~~department of buildings and general services~~ Department of Buildings and General Services for use only for major maintenance within the capitol complex in Montpelier, any unexpended balances of funds appropriated in any capital construction act for any ~~executive or judicial branch~~ Executive or Judicial Branch project, excluding any appropriations for state grant-in-aid programs, which is completed or substantially completed as determined by the ~~commissioner~~ Commissioner. On or before January 15 of each year, the ~~commissioner~~ Commissioner shall report to the ~~house committee on corrections and institutions and the senate committee on institutions~~ House Committee on Corrections and Institutions and the Senate Committee on Institutions regarding:

(A) all transfers and expenditures made pursuant to this subdivision (23); and

~~(B) the unexpended balance of projects completed for two or more years.~~

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Sec. 34. 32 V.S.A. § 310 is amended to read:

§ 310. FORM OF ANNUAL CAPITAL BUDGET AND ~~SIX-YEAR~~  
TEN-YEAR CAPITAL PROGRAM PLAN

(a) Each biennial capital budget request submitted to the ~~general assembly~~ General Assembly shall be accompanied by, and placed in the context of, a ~~six-year ten-year~~ state capital program plan to be prepared, and revised annually, by the ~~governor~~ Governor and approved by the ~~general assembly~~ General Assembly. The ~~six-year ten-year~~ plan shall include a list of all projects which will be recommended for funding in the current and ensuing ~~five~~ nine fiscal years. The list shall be prioritized based on need.

(b) The capital budget request for the following ~~fiscal year~~ biennium shall be presented as the next increment of the ~~six-year ten-year~~ plan. Elements of the plan shall include:

(1) Assessment and projection of need.

(A) Capital needs and projections shall be based upon current and projected statistics on capital inventories and upon state demographic and economic conditions.

(B) Capital funding shall be categorized as follows:

(i) state buildings, facilities, ~~and~~ land acquisitions, major maintenance, renewable energy sources, and conservation;

(ii) higher education;

(iii) aid to municipalities for education, environmental conservation, including water, sewer, and solid waste projects, and other purposes; and

(iv) transportation facilities.

(C) The capital needs and projections shall be for the current and the next ~~five~~ nine fiscal years, with longer-term projections presented for programs with reasonably predictable longer-term needs.

(D) Capital needs and projections shall be presented independently of financing requirements or opportunities.

(2) Comprehensive cost and financing assessment.



(A) Amounts appropriated and expended for the current fiscal year and for the preceding fiscal year shall be indicated for capital programs and for individual projects. The assessment shall indicate further the source of funds for any project which required additional funding and a description of any authorized projects which were delayed.

(B) Amounts proposed to be appropriated for the following fiscal year and each of the ~~five~~ nine years thereafter shall be indicated for capital programs and for individual projects and shall be revised annually to reflect revised cost estimates and changes made in allocations due to project delays.

(C) The capital costs of programs and of individual projects, including funds for the development and evaluation of each project, shall be presented in full, for the entire period of their development.

(D) The operating costs, both actual and prospective, of capital programs and of individual projects shall be presented in full, for the entire period of their development and expected useful life.

(E) The financial burden and funding opportunities of programs and of individual projects shall be presented in full, including federal, state, and local government shares, and any private participation.

(F) Alternative methods of financing capital programs and projects should be described and assessed, including debt financing and use of current revenues.

#### Sec. 35. TEN-YEAR CAPITAL PROGRAM PLAN

On or before January 15, 2014, the Commissioner of Buildings and General Services, in consultation with the House Committee on Corrections and Institutions and the Senate Committee on Institutions, shall develop a proposal for the planning process for a ten-year capital program plan. The ten-year capital program plan shall include proposals for capital construction requests and major maintenance, and shall set forth definitions and criteria to be used for prioritizing capital projects. Projects may be prioritized based on criteria including: critical priorities, prior capital allocations or commitments, strategic investments, and future investments.

Sec. 36. 32 V.S.A. § 701a is amended to read:

#### § 701a. CAPITAL CONSTRUCTION BILL

(a) When the capital budget has been submitted by the ~~governor~~ Governor to the ~~general assembly~~ General Assembly, it shall immediately be referred to the ~~committee on corrections and institutions~~ Committee on Corrections and Institutions which shall proceed to consider the budget request in the context of the ~~six-year~~ ten-year capital program plan also submitted by the ~~governor~~

Governor pursuant to sections 309 and 310 of this title. The ~~committee~~ Committee shall also propose to the ~~general assembly~~ General Assembly a prudent amount of total general obligation bonding for the following fiscal year, for support of the capital budget, in consideration of the recommendation of the ~~capital debt affordability advisory committee~~ Capital Debt Affordability Advisory Committee pursuant to subchapter 8 of chapter 13 of this title.

(b) As soon as possible, the ~~committee~~ Committee shall prepare a bill to be known as the “capital construction bill,” which shall be introduced for action by the ~~general assembly~~ General Assembly.

(c) The spending authority authorized by a capital construction act shall carry forward until expended, unless otherwise provided. ~~Any unencumbered funds remaining after a two year period~~ All unexpended funds remaining for projects authorized by capital construction acts enacted in a legislative session that was two or more years prior to the current legislative session shall be reported to the ~~general assembly~~ General Assembly and may be reallocated in future capital construction acts.

(d) On or before October 15, each entity to which spending authority is has been authorized by a capital construction act enacted in a legislative session that was two or more years prior to the current legislative session shall submit to the ~~department of buildings and general services~~ Department of Buildings and General Services a report on the status of each authorized project ~~authorized with unexpended funds~~. The report shall follow the form provided by the ~~department of buildings and general services~~ Department of Buildings and General Services and shall include details regarding how much of the appropriation has been spent, how much of the appropriation is unencumbered, actual progress in meeting the goals of the project, and any impediments to completing the project on time and on budget. The ~~department~~ Department may request additional or clarifying information regarding each project. On or before January 15, the ~~department~~ Department shall present the information collected to the ~~house committee on corrections and institutions and the senate committee on institutions~~ House Committee on Corrections and Institutions and the Senate Committee on Institutions.

#### Sec. 37. AVAILABILITY OF APPROPRIATIONS

Notwithstanding 32 V.S.A. § 1 (fiscal year to commence on July 1 and end on June 30), the appropriations in this act designated as FY 2014 shall be available on passage of this act, and those designated as FY 2015 shall be available on passage of the Capital Construction and State Bonding Budget Adjustment Act of the 2014 legislative session.

Sec. 38. ADDITIONAL FUNDING FOR CAPITAL PROJECTS

The Commissioner of Buildings and General Services, in consultation with the Chairs of the House Committee on Corrections and Institutions and the Senate Committee on Institutions, is authorized to use funds appropriated in this act for capital projects requiring additional support that were funded with capital or general fund appropriations in prior years.

Sec. 39. ACCOUNTING STANDARDS FOR ENGINEERING COSTS

(a) The Commissioner of Finance and Management shall establish a working group to develop a set of criteria and guidelines for allocating engineering costs between the Capital bill and the General Fund. The Working Group shall review current state practices, standard accounting classifications and approaches taken in other states. The Group shall include the Commissioner of Finance and Management or designee, the Commissioner of Buildings and General Services or designee, the Secretary of Natural Resources or designee, the State Auditor or designee, and a Joint Fiscal Officer or designee.

(b) On or before September 30, 2013, the Commissioner of Finance and Management shall present the proposal to the Joint Fiscal Committee and the Chairs of the House Committee on Corrections and Institutions and the Senate Committee on Institutions for review with the intent that the criteria and guidelines on cost allocations will be used in the FY 2015 capital budget.

\* \* \* Human Services \* \* \*

Sec. 40. SECURE RESIDENTIAL FACILITY

Pursuant to the Level 1 Psychiatric Care Evaluation required by the Fiscal Year 2014 Appropriations Act, Sec. E.314.2, the Commissioner of Buildings and General Services shall develop a proposal to establish a permanent secure residential facility no later than January 15, 2015.

\* \* \* Natural Resources \* \* \*

Sec. 41. LABORATORY FEASIBILITY STUDY

On or before December 15, 2013, the Department of Buildings and General Services, the Agency of Natural Resources, and the Agency of Agriculture, Food and Markets shall examine and report to the General Assembly on the feasibility of sharing the same laboratory, exploring relationships with the University of Vermont and the Vermont State Colleges system, or other public or private entities, and determining what specialized services may be sold within the Northeast region to fulfill state and regional laboratory needs. This report shall include a cost-benefit analysis and a governance model.

Sec. 42. 24 V.S.A. § 4763b is amended to read:

§ 4763b. LOANS TO INDIVIDUALS FOR FAILED WASTEWATER SYSTEMS AND FAILED POTABLE WATER SUPPLIES

(a) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, when the wastewater system or potable water supply serving only one single-family residence on its own lot meets the definition of a failed supply or system, the ~~secretary of natural resources~~ Secretary of Natural Resources may lend monies to the owner of the residence from the Vermont ~~wastewater and potable water revolving loan fund~~ Wastewater and Potable Water Revolving Loan Fund established in section 4753 of this title. In such cases, the following conditions shall apply:

(1) loans may only be made to households with an income equal to or less than 200 percent of the state average median household income;

(2) loans may only be made to households where the recipient of the loan resides in the residence on a year-round basis;

(3) loans may only be made if the owner of the residence has been denied financing for the repair, replacement, or construction due to involuntary disconnection by at least ~~two~~ one other financing ~~entities~~ entity;

(4) no construction loan shall be made to an individual under this subsection, nor shall any part of any revolving loan made under this subsection be expended, until all of the following take place:

(A) the ~~secretary of natural resources~~ Secretary of Natural Resources determines that if a wastewater system and potable water supply permit is necessary for the design and construction of the project to be financed by the loan, the permit has been issued to the owner of the failed system or supply; and

(B) the individual applying for the loan certifies to the ~~secretary of natural resources~~ Secretary of Natural Resources that the proposed project has secured all state and federal permits, licenses, and approvals necessary to construct and operate the project to be financed by the loan;

(5) all funds from the repayment of loans made under this section shall be deposited into the Vermont ~~wastewater and potable water revolving loan fund~~ Wastewater and Potable Water Revolving Loan Fund.

(b) The ~~secretary of natural resources~~ Secretary of Natural Resources shall establish standards, policies, and procedures as necessary for the implementation of this section. The ~~secretary~~ Secretary may establish criteria to extend the payment period of a loan or to waive all or a portion of the loan amount.

Sec. 43. ADDITIONAL FUNDING FOR CAPITAL PROJECTS

(a) If additional support is required for the Dufresne Dam Project in FY 2014, the Secretary of Natural Resources is authorized to use as funding prior capital funds authorized in 2011 Acts and Resolves No. 40, Sec. 12(a)(4)(A) for the Wolcott Pond Dam repair and maintenance.

(b) On or before January 15, 2014, the Secretary of Natural Resources shall report to the House Committee on Corrections and Institutions and the Senate Committee on Institutions on the status of close-out audits of project grants funded with capital funds.

(c) In FY 2014, the Secretary of Natural Resources, in consultation with the Chairs of the House Committee on Corrections and Institutions and the Senate Committee on Institutions, is authorized to reallocate unexpended funds that were appropriated to the Agency of Natural Resources:

(1) between projects authorized in different capital construction acts if the funds are appropriated to the same department within the Agency of Natural Resources for a related purpose; and

(2) between a project authorized in a capital construction act and a project not authorized in a capital construction act if the funds are used for planning advances pursuant to 10 V.S.A. § 1591(a).

(d) The Secretary shall reallocate no more than:

(1) \$200,000.00 in unexpended funds pursuant to subdivision (c)(1) of this section; and

(2) \$30,000.00 per project and \$100,000.00 in total pursuant to subdivision (c)(2) of this section.

\* \* \* Military Department \* \* \*

Sec. 44. 20 V.S.A. § 542 is amended to read:

§ 542. ACQUISITION, MAINTENANCE, AND DISPOSAL OF  
PROPERTY FOR THE NATIONAL GUARD USE

In the name of the ~~state~~ State, the ~~board~~ Board shall be responsible for the real estate and personal property of the ~~national guard~~ National Guard. The ~~board~~ Board may acquire or purchase, and maintain and dispose of by sale or otherwise real estate and personal property. Upon determination by the ~~board~~ Board that real estate is to be disposed of, the disposal shall be at fair market value, and proceeds shall be allocated to future capital ~~appropriations~~ construction acts.

\* \* \* Education \* \* \*

Sec. 45. STATE AID FOR SCHOOL CONSTRUCTION; EXTENSION OF  
SUSPENSION

(a) In 2007 Acts and Resolves No. 52, Sec. 36, the General Assembly suspended state aid for school construction in order to permit the Secretary of Education and the Commissioner of Finance and Management to recommend a sustainable plan for state aid for school construction.

(b) In 2008 Acts and Resolves No. 200, Sec. 45, as amended by 2009 Acts and Resolves No. 54, Sec. 22, the General Assembly, in the absence of a recommendation, extended the suspension until a sustainable plan for state aid for school construction is developed and adopted.

(c) State aid remains suspended pursuant to the terms of 2008 Acts and Resolves No. 200, Sec. 45 as amended by 2009 Acts and Resolves No. 54, Sec. 22.

(d) Notwithstanding the suspension, the State intends to honor its obligation by FY 2016 to pay for projects for which state aid had been committed prior to the suspension.

Sec. 46. MORGAN SCHOOL

Notwithstanding 16 V.S.A. § 3448(b) or any other provision of law to the contrary, the Morgan School District is authorized to sell the Morgan School building and property to the town of Morgan to use for community purposes without repayment of school construction aid. Thereafter, if the town of Morgan sells the building and property to another entity, including the Morgan School District, the town shall repay the sum owed to the State for school construction aid under the terms set forth in 16 V.S.A. § 3448(b).

Sec. 47. ENHANCED 911 PROGRAM; IMPLEMENTATION IN  
SCHOOL DISTRICTS

On or before January 15, 2014, the Enhanced 911 Board shall, in coordination with the Secretary of Education, provide technical assistance and guidance to school districts to comply with the requirement in 30 V.S.A. § 7057 that accurate location information be associated with each landline telephone installed in a school. The Board is authorized to use funds appropriated in Sec. 18a of this act to plan and implement compliance with this program. It is the intent of the General Assembly that these funds are used by the Enhanced 911 Board as a supplement to funding from the Vermont Universal Service Fund established pursuant to 30 V.S.A. chapter 88.

\* \* \* Public Safety \* \* \*

Sec. 48. PUBLIC SAFETY FIELD STATION PROJECT

The Department of Buildings and General Services, in consultation with the Department of Public Safety, is authorized to use appropriations in Sec. 13 of this act to conduct feasibility studies, and identify and purchase land for future public safety field station sites. If the Department of Buildings and General Services proposes to purchase property when the General Assembly is not in session, the Commissioner of Buildings and General Services shall notify the Chairs of the House Committee on Corrections and Institutions and the Senate Committee on Institutions of the proposal.

\* \* \* Energy Use on State Properties \* \* \*

Sec. 49. RENEWABLE ENERGY AND ENERGY CONSERVATION POLICY

(a) The Department of Buildings and General Services shall incorporate the use of renewable energy sources, energy efficiency, and thermal energy conservation in any new building construction or major renovation project in excess of \$250,000.00 unless a life cycle cost analysis demonstrates that the investment cannot be recouped or there are limitations on siting.

(b) On or before January 15, 2014, the Department of Buildings and General Services shall contract for a desk audit to examine and report on the feasibility of installing renewable energy devices on up to 20 properties owned by the State.

(c) As used in this section, the "life cycle cost" of each new building construction or major renovation project shall mean the present value purchase price of an item, plus the replacement cost, plus or minus the salvage value, plus the present value of operation and maintenance costs, plus the energy and environmental externalities' costs or benefits.

\* \* \* Effective Date \* \* \*

Sec. 50. EFFECTIVE DATE

This act shall take effect on passage.

(Committee vote: 5-0-0)

(For House amendments, see House Journal for April 4, 2013, page 668.)

**Reported favorably with recommendation of proposal of amendment by Senator Sears for the Committee on Appropriations.**

The Committee recommends that the Senate propose to the House to amend the bill as recommended by the Committee on Institutions, with the following amendments thereto:

First: In Sec. 1, subsection (a), by striking out the following: “\$90,248,531.00” and inserting in lieu thereof the following: \$90,148,531.00.

Second: In Sec. 2, State Buildings, by striking out subdivision (c)(4) and inserting in lieu thereof:

(4) Statewide, major maintenance: \$8,739,064.00

Third: In Sec. 2, in subsection (e), by striking out the following: “\$45,866,661.00” and “\$98,148,258.00” and inserting in lieu thereof the following: \$45,966,661.00 and 98,248,258.00

Fourth: By striking out Sec. 4, Human Services, in its entirety and inserting in lieu thereof the following:

Sec. 4. HUMAN SERVICES

(a) The following sums are appropriated in FY 2014 to the Department of Buildings and General Services for the Agency of Human Services for the projects described in this subsection:

(1) Health laboratory, continuation of design, permitting, bidding, and construction phases for co-location of Department of Health laboratory with the UVM Colchester research facility: \$5,000,000.00

(2) Corrections, security upgrades: \$100,000.00

(b) The following sums are appropriated in FY 2015 to the Department of Buildings and General Services for the Agency of Human Services for the projects described in this subsection:

(1) Health laboratory, continuation of design, permitting, bidding, and construction phases for co-location of the Department of Health laboratory with the UVM Colchester research facility: \$6,000,000.00

(2) Corrections, security upgrades: \$100,000.00

(c) It is the intent of the General Assembly that the funds appropriated in subdivision (b)(1) of this section are committed funds not subject to budget adjustment.

Appropriation – FY 2014 \$5,100,000.00

Appropriation – FY 2015 \$6,100,000.00

Total Appropriation – Section 4 \$11,200,000.00

(Committee vote: 7-0-0)



## Report of Committee of Conference

### H. 131.

An act relating to harvesting guidelines and procurement standards.

To the Senate and House of Representatives:

The Committee of Conference to which were referred the disagreeing votes of the two Houses upon House Bill entitled:

**H. 131. An act relating to harvesting guidelines and procurement standards.**

Respectfully reports that it has met and recommends that the House accede to the Senate proposal of amendment and that the bill be further amended in Sec. 4, 30 V.S.A. § 248(b)(11), by striking out subdivisions (B) and (C) in their entirety and inserting in lieu thereof new subdivisions (B) and (C) to read:

(B) ~~incorporate commercially available and feasible designs to~~ achieve ~~a reasonable~~ the highest design system efficiency that is commercially available, feasible, and cost-effective for the type and design of the proposed facility; and

(C) comply with harvesting ~~guidelines~~ procedures and procurement standards that ~~are consistent~~ ensure long-term forest health and sustainability. These procedures and standards at a minimum shall be consistent with the guidelines and standards developed by the secretary of natural resources pursuant to 10 V.S.A. § 2750 (harvesting guidelines and procurement standards) when adopted under that statute.

*ROBERT M. HARTWELL*

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## CONCURRENT RESOLUTIONS FOR NOTICE

**H.C.R. 116-122** (For text of Resolutions, see Addendum to House Calendar for April 25, 2013)

### 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 Service Board shall be fully and separately acted upon.

Patrick Berry of Middlebury – Commissioner, Fish and Wildlife – By Sen. Hartwell for the Committee on Natural Resources and Energy. (3/27/13)

Robert Ide of Peacham – Commissioner, Department of Motor Vehicles – By Sen. Kitchel for the Committee on Transportation. (4/18/13)

Brian Searles of Burlington – Secretary of Transportation – By Sen. Mazza for the Committee on Transportation. (4/19/13)

Keith Flynn of Troy – Commissioner of Public Safety – By Sen. Flory for the Committee on Transportation. (4/23/13)

Cory Richardson of East Montpelier – Member of the Vermont State Housing Authority – By Sen. Cummings for the Committee on Economic Development, Housing and General Affairs. (4/26/13)

### REPORTS ON FILE

#### Reports 2013

Pursuant to the provisions of 2 V.S.A. §20(c), one (1) hard copy of the following reports is on file in the office of the Secretary of the Senate. Effective January 2010, pursuant to Act No. 192, Adj. Sess. (2008) §5.005(g) some reports will automatically be sent by electronic copy only and can be found on the State of Vermont Legislative webpage.

4. Report by Secretary of Administration pursuant to Act 156, Adj. Sess. (2012), Sec. 8 regarding supervisory union size and structure.