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2	The Committee on Natural Resources and Energy to which was referred
3	Senate Bill No. 202 entitled "An act relating to the energy efficiency charge"
4	respectfully reports that it has considered the same and recommends that the
5	House propose to the Senate to amend the bill as follows:
6	First: In Sec. 1, 30 V.S.A. § 209, in subdivision (d)(3)(B), by striking out
7	the third sentence and inserting in lieu thereof a new third sentence to read:
8	In setting the amount of the charge and its allocation, the Board shall
9	determine an appropriate balance among the following objectives; provided,
10	however, that particular emphasis shall be accorded to the first four of these
11	objectives: reducing the size of future power purchases; reducing the
12	generation of greenhouse gases; limiting the need to upgrade the State's
13	transmission and distribution infrastructure; minimizing the costs of electricity;
14	reducing Vermont's total energy demand, consumption, and expenditures;
15	providing efficiency and conservation as a part of a comprehensive resource
16	supply strategy; providing the opportunity for all Vermonters to participate in
17	efficiency and conservation programs; and the value of targeting efficiency and
18	conservation efforts to locations, markets, or customers where they may
19	provide the greatest value.

1	Second: In Sec. 1, 30 V.S.A. § 209, in subdivision (d)(3)(C), in the first				
2	sentence, after "the use of fossil fuels for" by inserting space before "heating"				
3	and after "such as air source" by inserting or geothermal before "heat pumps".				
4	Third: In Sec. 1, 30 V.S.A. § 209, in subdivision (d)(3)(C), in subdivision				
5	(i), after "electric ratepayers" by inserting as a whole.				
6	Fourth: In Sec. 1, 30 V.S.A. § 209, in subdivision (d)(3)(C), by striking out				
7	subdivision (iii) and inserting in lieu thereof a new subdivision (iii) to read:				
8	(iii) will result in a net reduction in State energy consumption and				
9	greenhouse gas emissions on a life-cycle basis and will not have a detrimental				
10	impact on the environment through other means such as release of refrigerants				
11	or disposal. In making a finding under this subdivision, the Board shall				
12	consider the use of the technology at all times of year and any likely new				
13	electricity demand created by such use;				
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16	(Committee vote:)				
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18	Representative				
19	FOR THE COMMITTEE				