

1 H.584

2 Introduced by Representatives Clarkson of Woodstock and McCarthy of St.

3 Albans City

4 Referred to Committee on

5 Date:

6 Subject: Municipal government; municipal regulatory authority; municipal
7 parking lots and meters

8 Statement of purpose of bill as introduced: This bill proposes to repeal the
9 current subchapter in Title 24 of the Vermont Statutes Annotated regarding
10 municipal indebtedness for parking lots and meters and to replace it with a
11 more general authority for municipal control over parking lots and meters.

12 An act relating to municipal regulation of parking lots and meters

13 It is hereby enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Vermont:

14 Sec. 1. REPEAL

15 24 V.S.A. chapter 53, subchapter 3 (indebtedness for parking lots and
16 meters) is repealed.

1 Sec. 2. 24 V.S.A. § 2291 is amended to read:

2 § 2291. ENUMERATION OF POWERS

3 For the purpose of promoting the public health, safety, welfare, and
4 convenience, a town, city, or incorporated village shall have the following
5 powers:

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7 (26) To regulate parking lots and parking meters on public property or
8 public highways of the municipality, including the power to set parking fees
9 and use parking revenues for any municipal purpose. Projects relating to
10 parking lots and parking meters under this subdivision shall constitute an
11 improvement under chapter 53 of this title, and a municipality shall have the
12 right of eminent domain to condemn land necessary for such projects.

13 Sec. 3. TRANSITIONAL PROVISION; PARKING RESERVE FUNDS;

14 PERMITTED USE FOR ANY MUNICIPAL PURPOSE

15 Upon the effective date of this act, any municipality that has kept parking
16 revenue separate from other revenue of the municipality under the provisions
17 of 24 V.S.A. chapter 53, subchapter 3 (indebtedness for parking lots and
18 meters) may use that revenue for any municipal purpose.

19 Sec. 4. EFFECTIVE DATE

20 This act shall take effect on July 1, 2014.