

**Summary of Sections of S.252 - An act relating to financing for Green Mountain Care**

**Sec. 1.** Legislative intent

**Sec. 2.** Principles for health care financing

**Secs. 3-5.** Exchange must allow employers to buy Exchange plans through the website, through navigators, by phone, or directly from carriers

**Secs. 6-7a.** Federal employees, including military, will be deemed to be covered by Green Mountain Care by participating in FEHBP/TRICARE; TRICARE may need supplemental plans

**Sec. 8.** Benefit package for Green Mountain Care is the same as Exchange benefit package

**Sec. 9.** Timeline for Administration to identify the elements of Green Mountain Care to be contracted out, to solicit bids, and to award contracts

**Sec. 10.** Requires Administration to submit a conceptual waiver application for the Waiver for State Innovation

**Secs. 11-12.** Requires employers to pay the employer assessment if they offer health insurance to an employee but the employee enrolls in Medicaid

**Sec. 13.** Clarifies amount of employer assessment for 2014, moves it to a calendar year

**Sec. 14.** Requires report about the Blueprint

**Sec. 15.** Requires report about the health insurer surpluses

**Sec. 16.** Requires recommendation about getting everyone Exchange-level coverage before Green Mountain Care

**Sec. 17.** Requires report about transitioning public employees to Green Mountain Care

**Sec. 18.** Requires Administration to consult with JFO on its work on the cost of Green Mountain Care, distribution of health care spending, and impact of existing health care reform initiatives

**Sec. 19.** Requires report on whether the State should be its own pharmacy benefit manager

**Sec. 20.** Requires report on whether Vermont should encourage independent physician practices

**Sec. 21.** Requires report on health information technology and intellectual property protection

**Sec. 22.** Requires Administration and others to put on a health care workforce symposium

**Sec. 23.** Effective date