

1 TO THE HONORABLE SENATE:

2 The Committee on Finance to which was referred House Bill No. 526
3 entitled “An act relating to the establishment of lake shoreland protection
4 standards” respectfully reports that it has considered the same and recommends
5 that the proposal of amendment of the Committee on Natural Resources and
6 Energy be amended as follows:

7 First: In Sec. 2, in 10 V.S.A. § 1446, in subdivision (a)(1)(A)(i), by striking
8 “this subdivision (a)(2)” where it appears and by inserting in lieu thereof this
9 subsection (a) and by striking subdivision (a)(1)(B) in its entirety and inserting
10 in lieu thereof the following:

11 (B) The creation of 500 square feet or less of impervious surface,
12 cleared area, or a combination of impervious surface and cleared area,
13 provided that:

14 (i) the owner of the property on which the impervious surface or
15 cleared area is created registers with the Secretary a form provided by the
16 Secretary that contains the name of the property owner, the address of the
17 property, and a certification that the project meets the requirements of this
18 subsection;

19 (ii) the impervious surface or cleared area is at least 100 feet from
20 the mean water level;

1 (iii) any proposed cleared area or area within the protected
2 shoreland area where an impervious surface shall be sited has a slope of less
3 than 20 percent;

4 (iv) after the completion of the project, the protected shoreland
5 area shall consist of no more than 20 percent impervious surface; and

6 (v) after the completion of the project, the protected shoreland
7 area shall consist of no more than 40 percent cleared area, including any area
8 cleared for the purposes of creating impervious surface.

9 Second: By striking Sec. 5 in its entirety and inserting in lieu thereof the
10 following:

11 Sec. 5. 3 V.S.A. § 2822(j)(32) is added to read:

12 (32) For projects taking place in a protected shoreland area that require:

13 (A) a registration under 10 V.S.A. § 1446: \$100.00.

14 (B) a permit under 10 V.S.A. §§ 1443, 1444, and 1445: \$125.00 plus
15 \$0.50 per square foot of impervious surface.

16 Third: By adding a Sec. 5a to read:

17 Sec. 5a. REPORT ON COSTS OF LAKE SHORELAND PROTECTION
18 PROGRAM

19 On or before January 15, 2016, the Secretary of Natural Resources shall
20 submit to the Senate Committee on Finance, the House Committee on Ways
21 and Means, the Senate Committee on Natural Resources and Energy, and the

1 House Committee on Fish, Wildlife and Water Resources a report regarding
2 the costs to the Agency of Natural Resources of administering the Lake
3 Shoreland Protection Program under 10 V.S.A. chapter 49A. The report shall
4 include:
5 (1) the number of lake shoreland protection registrations and permits
6 issued by the Agency;
7 (2) the permit and registration fees collected by the Agency; and
8 (3) the cost to the Agency of implementing the Lake Shoreland
9 Protection Program.

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(Committee vote: _____)

Senator [surname]
FOR THE COMMITTEE