1	H.856
2	SHORT FORM
3	Introduced by Representative Zagar of Barnard
4	Referred to Committee on
5	Date:
6	Subject: Government operations; Secretary of State; regional cooperation
7	Statement of purpose of bill as introduced: This bill proposes to require the
8	Secretary of State to convene negotiations with his or her counterparts in the
9	New England region and the Eastern provinces of Canada for the purpose of
10	cooperation in the coordination and planning of continuity of government
11	operations in the event the U.S. government should cease to function as a result
12	of any natural disaster; economic, political, or constitutional crisis; or other
13	catastrophic event. The Secretary would be required to report to the General
14	Assembly on his or her progress in these negotiations on or before
15	January 1, 2017.
16 17	An act relating to regional cooperation in government operations in case of catastrophic events
18	It is hereby enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Vermont:
19	(TEXT OMITTED IN SHORT-FORM BILLS)