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#### **ACTION CALENDAR**

## CONSIDERATION POSTPONED UNTIL THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 25, 2016

#### **Third Reading**

S. 154.

An act relating to enhanced penalties for assaulting an employee of the Family Services Division of the Department for Children and Families and to criminal threatening.

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

#### **Third Reading**

S. 241.

An act relating to personal possession and cultivation of cannabis and the regulation of commercial cannabis establishments.

## Amendment to S. 241 to be offered by Senator Zuckerman before Third Reading

Senator Zuckerman moves that the bill be amended as follows:

<u>First</u>: In Sec. 12, by striking out 18 V.S.A. § 4501 in its entirety and inserting in lieu thereof a new section 4501 to read:

#### § 4501. DEFINITIONS

As used in this chapter:

- (1) "Affiliate" means a person that directly or indirectly owns or controls, is owned or controlled by, or is under common ownership or control with, another person.
- (2) "Applicant" means a person that applies for a license to operate a marijuana establishment pursuant to this chapter.
- (3) "Child care facility" means a child care facility or family day care home licensed or registered under 33 V.S.A. chapter 35.
  - (4) "Commissioner" means the Commissioner of Public Safety.
  - (5) "Department" means the Department of Public Safety.
- (6) "Dispensary" means a person registered under section 4474e of this title that acquires, possesses, cultivates, manufactures, transfers, transports,

- supplies, sells, or dispenses marijuana, marijuana-infused products, and marijuana-related supplies and educational materials for or to a registered patient who has designated it as his or her center and to his or her registered caregiver for the registered patient's use for symptom relief.
- (7) "Enclosed, locked facility" shall be either indoors or outdoors, not visible to the public, and may include a building, room, greenhouse, fully enclosed fenced-in area, or other location enclosed on all sides and equipped with locks or other security devices that permit access only by:
- (A) Employees, agents, or owners of the cultivator, all of whom shall be 21 years of age or older.
  - (B) Government employees performing their official duties.
- (C) Contractors performing labor that does not include marijuana cultivation, packaging, or processing. Contractors shall be accompanied by an employee, agent, or owner of the cultivator when they are in areas where marijuana is being grown, processed, or stored.
- (D) Registered employees of other cultivators, members of the media, elected officials, and other individuals 21 years of age or older visiting the facility, provided they are accompanied by an employee, agent, or owner of the cultivator.
- (8) "Financier" means a person, other than a financial institution as defined in 8 V.S.A. § 11101, that makes an equity investment, a gift, loan, or otherwise provides financing to a person with the expectation of a financial return.
- (9) "Handbill" means a flyer, leaflet, or sheet that advertises marijuana or a marijuana establishment.
- (10) "Marijuana" shall have the same meaning as provided in section 4201 of this title.
- (11) "Marijuana cultivator" or "cultivator" means a person registered with the Department to engage in commercial cultivation of marijuana in accordance with this chapter.
- (12) "Marijuana establishment" means a marijuana cultivator, retailer, or testing laboratory licensed by the Department to engage in commercial marijuana activity in accordance with this chapter.
- (13) "Marijuana retailer" or "retailer" means a person licensed by the Department to sell marijuana to consumers for off-site consumption in accordance with this chapter.

- (14) "Marijuana testing laboratory" or "testing laboratory" means a person licensed by the Department to test marijuana for cultivators and retailers in accordance with this chapter.
- (15) "Owns or controls," "is owned or controlled by," and "under common ownership or control" mean direct ownership or beneficial ownership of an equity interest, or the equivalent thereof, of ten percent or more, and the power to direct, or cause the direction of, the management and policies of a person, whether through the ownership of voting securities, by contract, or otherwise.
- (16) "Person" shall include any natural person; corporation; municipality; the State of Vermont or any department, agency or subdivision of the State; and any partnership, unincorporated association, or other legal entity.
- (17) "Plant canopy" means the square footage dedicated to live plant production and does not include areas such as office space or areas used for the storage of fertilizers, pesticides, or other products.
- (18) "Principal" means an individual vested with the authority to conduct, manage, or supervise the business affairs of a person, and may include the president, vice-president, secretary, treasurer, manager, or similar executive officer of a business; a director of a corporation, nonprofit corporation, or mutual benefit enterprise; a member of a nonprofit corporation, cooperative, or member-managed limited liability company; and a partner of a partnership.
- (19) "Public place" means any street, alley, park, sidewalk, public building other than individual dwellings, any place of public accommodation as defined in 9 V.S.A. § 4501, and any place where the possession of a lighted tobacco product is prohibited pursuant to section 1421 of this title or chapter 37 of this title.
- (20) "Resident" means a person who is domiciled in Vermont, subject to the following:
- (A) The process for determining the domicile of an individual shall be the same as that required by rules adopted by the Department of Taxes related to determining domicile for the purpose of the interpretation and administration of 32 V.S.A. § 5401(14).
- (B) The domicile of a business entity is the State in which it is organized.

(21) "School" means a public school, independent school, or facility that provides early childhood education as those terms are defined in 16 V.S.A. § 11.

<u>Second</u>: In Sec. 12, in 18 V.S.A. § 4521(d)(1), by striking out "<u>a person</u>" inserting in lieu thereof <u>an applicant and its affiliates</u>

<u>Third</u>: In Sec. 12, in 18 V.S.A. § 4522, by striking out subsections (a)–(b) in their entirety and inserting in lieu thereof new subsections (a)–(b) to read:

- (a) To be eligible for a marijuana establishment license:
  - (1) An applicant shall be a resident of Vermont.
- (2) A principal of an applicant, and a person who owns or controls an applicant, shall have been a resident of Vermont for two or more years immediately preceding the date of application.
- (3) An applicant, principal of an applicant, or person who owns or controls an applicant, who is a natural person:
  - (A) shall be 21 years of age or older; and
- (B) shall consent to the release of his or her criminal and administrative history records.
- (b) A financier of an applicant shall have been a resident of Vermont for two or more years immediately preceding the date of application.

<u>Fourth</u>: In Sec. 12, in 18 V.S.A. § 4522, by striking out subsection (d) in its entirety and inserting in lieu thereof a new subsection (d) to read:

- (d) The Department shall obtain a Vermont criminal history record, an out-of-state criminal history record, a criminal history record from the Federal Bureau of Investigation, and any regulatory records relating to the operation of a business in this State or any other jurisdiction for each of the following who is a natural person:
  - (1) an applicant or financier;
  - (2) a principal of an applicant or financier; and
  - (3) a person who owns or controls an applicant or financier.

<u>Fifth</u>: In Sec. 12, in 18 V.S.A. § 4512(1)(B), by striking out "<u>for all principals and financiers of the proposed marijuana establishment</u>" and inserting in lieu thereof <u>pursuant to subsection 4522(d) of this title</u>

## Amendment to S. 241 to be offered by Senator White before Third Reading

Senator White moves that the bill be amended in Sec. 12, 18 V.S.A. § 4521 by redesignating subsection (h) to be subsection (i) and by adding a new subsection (h) to read as follows:

(h) All records relating to security, transportation, public safety, and trade secrets in an application for a license under this chapter shall be exempt from public inspection and copying under the Public Records Act.

## Amendment to S. 241 to be offered by Senator Lyons before Third Reading

Senator Lyons moves to amend the bill as follows:

<u>First</u>: In Sec. 2, subsection (a)(2), by striking "<u>March 15, 2017</u>" and inserting in lieu thereof <u>March 17, 2018</u> and by striking out "<u>September 15, 2017</u>" and by inserting in lieu thereof <u>September 15, 2018</u>

<u>Second</u>: In Sec. 12, 18 V.S.A. § 4512, by striking out "<u>March 15, 2017</u>" and inserting in lieu thereof <u>March 15, 2018</u>

Third: In Sec. 12, 18 V.S.A. § 4513, in subdivision (a)(1) by striking out "April 15, 2017" and inserting in lieu thereof April 15, 2018 and in subdivision (a)(2) by striking out "June 15, 2017" and inserting in lieu thereof June 15, 2018 and in subdivision (b)(1) by striking out "May 15, 2017" and inserting in lieu thereof May 15, 2018 and in subdivision (b)(2) by striking out "September 15, 2017" and inserting in lieu thereof September 15, 2018 and by striking out "January 2, 2018" and inserting in lieu thereof January 2, 2019 and in subdivision (c)(1) by striking out "July 1, 2018" and inserting in lieu thereof July 1, 2019 and inserting in lieu thereof July 1, 2019 and inserting in lieu thereof July 1, 2019 and inserting in lieu thereof July 1, 2020 and in subdivision (c)(3) by striking out "July 1, 2019" and inserting in lieu thereof July 1, 2020 and in subdivision (c)(3) by striking out "July 1, 2019" and inserting in lieu thereof July 1, 2020

Fourth: In Sec. 12, 18 V.S.A. § 4528(b)(4)(A), by striking out "July 1, 2018" and inserting in lieu thereof July 1, 2019 and, 18 V.S.A. § 4528(b)(4)(B), by striking out "July 1, 2018" and inserting in lieu thereof July 1, 2019 and by striking out "July 1, 2019" and inserting in lieu thereof July 1, 2020

<u>Fifth</u>: In Sec. 26, by striking out " $\underline{2017}$ " wherever it appears and inserting in lieu thereof  $\underline{2018}$  and by striking out " $\underline{FY}$  17" and inserting in lieu thereof FY 18

<u>Sixth</u>: In Sec. 27, by striking out "2017" and inserting in lieu thereof 2018

<u>Seventh</u>: In. Sec. 27a, by striking out "2018" and inserting in lieu thereof 2019

<u>Eighth</u>: In Sec. 29b, WORKFORCE STUDY COMMITTEE, in subsection (e) by striking out "<u>December 1, 2016</u>" and inserting in lieu thereof <u>December 1, 2017</u> and in subdivision (f)(1) by striking out "<u>September 15, 2016</u>" and inserting in lieu thereof <u>September 15, 2017</u> and in subdivision (f)(4) by striking out "<u>December 31, 2016</u>" and inserting in lieu thereof <u>December 31, 2017</u>

Ninth: By striking out Sec. 31 in its entirety and inserting a new Sec. 31 to read:

#### Sec. 31. EFFECTIVE DATES

- (a) This section and Secs. 1, 2, 12, 12a, 18a, 29a and 29b shall take effect May 1, 2017.
- (b) Secs. 7, 8, 10a, 11, 14 through 18, 19 through 22, 23 through 29 shall take effect on July 1, 2017.
- (c) Sec. 12b shall take effect on January 1, 2018 and shall apply to taxable year 2018 and after.
- (d) Secs. 6, 9, 10, 12c, 22a, 22b, and 30 shall take effect on January 2, 2019.

## Amendment to S. 241 to be offered by Senators Rodgers and Zuckerman before Third Reading

Senators Rodgers and Zuckerman move to amend the bill as follows:

<u>First</u>: In Sec. 12, 18 V.S.A. § 4513 by striking out subsection (c) in its entirety and inserting in lieu thereof the following:

- (c)(1) Prior to July 1, 2018, provided applicants meet the requirements of this chapter, the Department shall issue:
- (A) a maximum of 10 cultivator licenses that permit a cultivation space of not more than 1,000 square feet;
- (B) a maximum of four cultivator licenses that permit a cultivation space of 1,001–2,500 square feet;
- (C) a maximum of 10 cultivator licenses that permit a cultivation space of 2,501–5,000 square feet;
- (D) a maximum of three cultivator licenses that permit a cultivation space of 5,001–10,000 square feet;
  - (E) a maximum of five testing laboratory licenses; and

- (F) a maximum of 15 retailer licenses.
- (2) On or after July 1, 2018 and before July 1, 2019, provided applicants meet the requirements of this chapter and in addition to the licenses authorized in subdivision (1) of this subsection, the Department shall issue:
- (A) a maximum of 10 cultivator licenses that permit a cultivation space of not more than 1,000 square feet for a total of 20 such licenses;
- (B) a maximum of four cultivator licenses that permit a cultivation space of 1,001–2,500 square feet for a total of eight such licenses;
- (C) a maximum of 10 cultivator licenses that permit a cultivation space of 2,501–5,000 square feet for a total of 20 such licenses;
- (D) a maximum of three cultivator licenses that permit a cultivation space of 5,001–10,000 square feet for a total of six such licenses;
- (E) a maximum of five testing laboratory licenses for a total of 10 such licenses; and
  - (F) a maximum of 15 retailer licenses for a total of 30 such licenses.
- (3) On or after July 1, 2019, the limitations in subdivisions (1) and (2) of this subsection shall not apply and the Department shall use its discretion to issue licenses in a number and size for the purpose of competing with and undercutting the illegal market based on available data and recommendations of the Marijuana Program Review Commission. A cultivator licensed under the limitations of subdivisions (1) or (2) of this subsection may apply to the Department to modify its license to expand its cultivation space.
- <u>Second</u>: In Sec. 12, 18 V.S.A. § 4528(b)(1) by striking subdivisions (A) and (B) and inserting in lieu thereof the following:
- (A) For a cultivator license that permits a cultivation space of not more than 1,000 square feet, the application fee shall be \$3,000.00.
- (B) For a cultivator license that permits a cultivation space of 1,001–2,500 square feet, the application fee shall be \$7,500.00.
- (C) For a cultivator license that permits a cultivation space of 2,501–5,000 square feet, the application fee shall be \$15,000.00.
- (D) For a cultivator license that permits a cultivation space of 5,001–10,000 square feet, the application fee shall be \$30,000.00.

<u>Third</u>: In Sec. 12, 18 V.S.A. § 4528(c) by striking out subdivision (1) in its entirety and inserting in lieu thereof the following:

- (1) The initial annual license fee and subsequent annual renewal fee for a cultivator license pursuant to section 4525 of this chapter shall be determined as follows:
- (A) For a cultivator license that permits a cultivation space of not more than 1,000 square feet, the initial annual license and subsequent renewal fee shall be \$3,000.00.
- (B) For a cultivator license that permits a cultivation space of 1,001–2,500 square feet, the initial annual license and subsequent renewal fee shall be \$7,500.00.
- (C) For a cultivator license that permits a cultivation space of 2,501–5,000 square feet, the initial annual license and subsequent renewal fee shall be \$15,000.00.
- (D) For a cultivator license that permits a cultivation space of 5,001–10,000 square feet, the initial annual license and subsequent renewal fee shall be \$30,000.00.

S. 252.

An act relating to the sale of lottery products.

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An act relating to internet dating services.

#### **Second Reading**

#### **Favorable with Recommendation of Amendment**

S. 10.

An act relating to the State DNA database.

# Reported favorably with recommendation of amendment by Senator Sears for the Committee on Judiciary.

The Committee recommends that the bill be amended by striking out all after the enacting clause and inserting in lieu thereof the following:

Sec. 1. 20 V.S.A. § 1932 is amended to read:

#### § 1932. DEFINITIONS

As used in this subchapter:

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(5) "DNA sample" means a forensic unknown tissue sample or a tissue sample provided by any person convicted of a designated crime or for whom the court has determined at arraignment there is probable cause that the person has committed a felony. The DNA sample may be blood or other tissue type specified by the department Department.

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- (12) "Designated crime" means any of the following offenses:
  - (A) a felony;
  - (B) 13 V.S.A. § 1042 (domestic assault);
- (C) any crime for which a person is required to register as a sex offender pursuant to 13 V.S.A. chapter 167, subchapter 3 of chapter 167 of Title 13;
- (D) <u>a misdemeanor for which a person is sentenced to and serves a</u> period of incarceration of at least 30 days;
  - (E) an attempt to commit any offense listed in this subdivision; or
- (E)(F) any other offense, if, as part of a plea agreement in an action in which the original charge was a crime listed in this subdivision and probable cause was found by the court, there is a requirement that the defendant submit a DNA sample to the DNA data bank.
- Sec. 2. 20 V.S.A. § 1933 is amended to read:

#### § 1933. DNA SAMPLE REQUIRED

- (a) The following persons shall submit a DNA sample:
- (1) A <u>a</u> person convicted in a court in this <u>state</u> of a designated crime on or after April 29, 1998-:
- (2) A person for whom the court has determined at arraignment there is probable cause that the person has committed a felony in this state on or after July 1, 2011.
- (3) A <u>a</u> person who was convicted in a court in this <u>state</u> State of a designated crime prior to April 29, 1998 and, after such date, is:
- (A) in the custody of the <del>commissioner of corrections</del> <u>Commissioner</u> of Corrections pursuant to 28 V.S.A. § 701;
  - (B) on parole for a designated crime;
- (C) serving a supervised community sentence for a designated crime; or

- (D) on probation for a designated crime.
- (b) At the time of arraignment, the court shall set a date and time for the person to submit a DNA sample.
- (c) A person required to submit a DNA sample who is serving a sentence in a correctional facility shall have his or her DNA samples collected or taken at the receiving correctional facility, or at a place and time designated by the commissioner of corrections Commissioner of Corrections or by a court, if the person has not previously submitted a DNA sample.
- (d)(c) A person serving a sentence for a designated crime not confined to a correctional facility shall have his or her DNA samples collected or taken at a place and time designated by the commissioner of corrections Commissioner of Corrections, the commissioner of public safety Commissioner of Public Safety, or a court if the person has not previously submitted a DNA sample in connection with the designated crime for which he or she is serving the sentence.
- Sec. 3. 20 V.S.A. § 1940 is amended to read:

### § 1940. EXPUNGEMENT OF RECORDS AND DESTRUCTION OF SAMPLES

- (a) In accordance with procedures set forth in subsection (b) of this section, the department Department shall destroy the DNA sample and any records of a person related to the sample that were taken in connection with a particular alleged designated crime in any either of the following circumstances:
- (1) A person's conviction related to an incident that caused the DNA sample to be taken is reversed, and the case is dismissed.
- (2) The person is granted a full pardon related to an incident that caused the DNA sample to be taken.
- (3) If the sample was taken post-arraignment, the felony charge which required the DNA sample is downgraded to a misdemeanor by the prosecuting attorney upon a plea agreement or the person is convicted of a lesser offense that is a misdemeanor other than domestic assault pursuant to 13 V.S.A. § 1042 or a sex offense for which registration is required pursuant to 13 V.S.A. § 5401 et seq.
- (4) If the sample was taken post-arraignment, the person is acquitted after a trial of the charges which required the taking of the DNA sample.
- (5) If the sample was taken post arraignment, the charges which required the taking of the DNA sample are dismissed by either the court or the

state after arraignment unless the attorney for the state can show good cause why the sample should not be destroyed.

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#### Sec. 4. EFFECTIVE DATE

This act shall take effect on passage.

(Committee vote: 5-0-0)

S. 223.

An act relating to regulating fantasy sports contests.

Reported favorably with recommendation of amendment by Senator Mullin for the Committee on Economic Development, Housing & General Affairs.

The Committee recommends that the bill be amended by striking out all after the enacting clause and inserting in lieu thereof the following:

Sec. 1. 9 V.S.A. chapter 116 is added to read:

#### CHAPTER 116. FANTASY SPORTS CONTESTS

#### § 4185. DEFINITIONS

In this chapter:

- (1) "Confidential fantasy sports contest information" means nonpublic information available to a fantasy sports operator that relates to a fantasy sports player's activity in a fantasy sports contest and that, if disclosed, may give another fantasy sports player an unfair competitive advantage in a fantasy sports contest.
- (2) "Fantasy sports contest" means a virtual or simulated sporting event governed by a uniform set of rules adopted by a fantasy sports operator in which:
- (A) a fantasy sports player may earn one or more cash prizes or awards, the value of which a fantasy sports operator discloses in advance of the contest;
- (B) a fantasy sports player uses his or her knowledge and skill of sports data, performance, and statistics to create and manage a fantasy sports team;
- (C) a fantasy sports team earns fantasy points based on the sports performance statistics accrued by individual athletes or teams, or both, in real world sporting events;

- (D) the outcome is determined by the number of fantasy points earned; and
- (E) the outcome is not determined by the score, the point spread, the performance of one or more teams, or the performance of an individual athlete in a single real world sporting event.
- (3) "Fantasy sports operator" means a person that offers to members of the public the opportunity to participate in a fantasy sports contest for consideration.
- (4) "Fantasy sports player" means an individual who participates in a fantasy sports contest for consideration.

#### § 4186. CONSUMER PROTECTION

- (a) A fantasy sports operator shall adopt policies and procedures to:
- (1) prevent participation in a fantasy sports contest he or she offers with a cash prize of \$5.00 or more by:
  - (A) the fantasy sports operator;
- (B) an employee of the fantasy sports operator or a relative of the employee who lives in the same household; or
- (C) a professional athlete or official who participates in one or more real world sporting events in the same sport as the fantasy sports contest;
- (2) prevent the disclosure of confidential fantasy sports contest information to an unauthorized person;
- (3) require that a fantasy sports player is 18 years of age or older, and verify the age of each player using one or more commercially available databases, which primarily consist of data from government sources and which government and business regularly use to verify and authenticate age and identity;
- (4) limit and disclose to prospective players the number of entries a fantasy sports player may submit for each fantasy sports contest; and
- (5) segregate player funds from operational funds, and maintain a reserve in the form of cash, cash equivalents, an irrevocable letter of credit, a bond, or a combination thereof in an amount that equals or exceeds the amount of deposits in fantasy sports player accounts, for the benefit and protection of fantasy sports player funds held in their accounts.
  - (b) A fantasy sports operator shall have the following duties:

- (1) The operator shall provide a link on its website to information and resources addressing addiction and compulsive behavior and where to seek assistance with these issues in Vermont and nationally.
- (2)(A) The operator shall enable a fantasy sports player to restrict irrevocably his or her own ability to participate in a fantasy sports contest, for a period of time the player specifies, by submitting a request to the operator through its website or by online chat with the operator's agent.
- (B) The operator shall provide to a player who self-restricts his or her participation information concerning:
- (i) available resources addressing addiction and compulsive behavior;
- (ii) how to close an account and restrictions on opening a new account during the period of self-restriction;
- (iii) requirements to reinstate an account at the end of the period; and
- (iv) how the operator addresses reward points and account balances during and after the period of self-restriction, and when the player closes his or her account.
- (3) The operator shall provide a player access to the following information for the previous six months:
- (A) a player's play history, including money spent, games played, previous line-ups, and prizes awarded;
- (B) a player's account details, including deposit amounts, withdrawal amounts, and bonus information, including amounts remaining for a pending bonus and amounts released to the player.
- (c)(1) A fantasy sports operator shall contract with a third party to perform an annual independent audit, consistent with the standards established by the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board, to ensure compliance with the requirements in this chapter.
- (2) The fantasy contest operator shall submit the results of the independent audit to the Attorney General.

#### § 4187. PENALTY

A person who violates a provision of this chapter shall be subject to a civil penalty of not more than \$1,000.00 for each violation, which shall accrue to the State and may be recovered in a civil action brought by the Attorney General.

#### § 4188. EXEMPTION

The provisions of 13 V.S.A. chapter 51, relating to gambling and lotteries, shall not apply to a fantasy sports contest.

#### Sec. 2. EFFECTIVE DATE

This act shall take effect on July 1, 2016.

(Committee vote: 5-0-0)

# House Proposal of Amendment to Senate Proposal of Amendment H. 611.

An act relating to fiscal year 2016 budget adjustment.

The House concurs in the Senate proposal of amendment with further amendment thereto as follows:

<u>First</u>: By striking out the *First* proposal of amendment in its entirety and inserting in lieu thereof the following:

Sec. 13. 2015 Acts and Resolves No. 58, Sec. B.301 is amended to read:

Sec. B.301 Secretary's office - global commitment

Operating expenses	4,541,736	7,884,268
Grants	1,372,464,147	1,434,250,041
Total	1,377,005,883	1,442,134,309
Source of funds		
General fund	208,728,673	217,281,414
Special funds	<del>26,550,179</del>	27,899,279
Tobacco fund	28,747,141	28,079,458
State health care resources fund	<del>270,712,781</del>	282,705,968
Federal funds	842,227,109	886,128,190
Interdepartmental transfers	<u>40,000</u>	<u>40,000</u>
Total	1.377.005.883	1,442,134,309

<u>Second</u>: By striking out the *Sixth* proposal of amendment in its entirety and inserting in lieu thereof the following:

Sec. 55a. FISCAL YEAR 2016 CONTINGENT GENERAL FUND APPROPRIATIONS

- (a) In fiscal year 2016, to the extent that the Commissioner of Finance and Management determines that General Fund revenues exceed the 2016 official revenue forecast and other fund receipts assumed for all previously authorized fiscal year 2016 appropriations and transfers necessary to ensure the stabilization reserve is at its maximum authorized level under 32 V.S.A. § 308, \$10,300,000 is appropriated to the Agency of Administration for transfer to the Agency of Human Services for Global Commitment upon determination of the Commissioner of Finance and Management of the amount necessary to fund the 53rd week of Medicaid expenditures. Any funds remaining from this \$10,300,000 appropriation after this 53rd week payment shall be distributed in accordance with the provisions of 32 V.S.A. § 308c(a).
- (b) The Commissioner of Finance and Management shall report to the Joint Fiscal Committee in July 2016 on the status of the funds appropriated in this section.

#### NOTICE CALENDAR

#### **Second Reading**

#### **Favorable with Recommendation of Amendment**

S. 75.

An act relating to food and lodging establishments.

### Reported favorably with recommendation of amendment by Senator Collamore for the Committee on Health & Welfare.

The Committee recommends that the bill be amended by striking out all after the enacting clause and inserting in lieu thereof the following:

Sec. 1. 18 V.S.A. chapter 85 is amended to read:

#### CHAPTER 85. FOOD AND LODGING ESTABLISHMENTS

Subchapter 1. Food and Lodging Establishments Generally

#### § 4301. FOOD ESTABLISHMENTS; DEFINITIONS

- (a) As used in this subchapter:
- (1) "Food" shall include all articles used for food, drink, confectionery, or condiment, by man, whether simple, mixed, or compound, and all substances and ingredients used in the preparation thereof. "Bakery" means all buildings, rooms, basements, cellars, lofts, or other premises or part thereof, used, occupied, or maintained for the purpose of producing for sale bread, cakes, pies, or other food products made either wholly or partially with flour.

- (2) "Children's camp" means any seasonal establishment operated not more than 90 days per year and offering a camping program that provides food, lodging, or both to vacationing youth or family groups.
  - (3) "Commissioner" means the Commissioner of Health.
  - (4) "Department" means the Department of Health.
- (5) "Establishment" shall include all buildings, rooms, basements, cellars, lofts, or other premises or part thereof, used, occupied, or maintained for the purpose of manufacturing, preparing, packing, canning, bottling, keeping, storing, handling, serving, or distributing in any manner, food for sale means food manufacturing establishments, food service establishments, lodging establishments, seafood vending facilities, and shellfish reshippers and repackers.
- (6) "Food" means articles of food, drink, confectionery, or condiment for human consumption, whether simple, mixed, or compound, and all substances and ingredients used in the preparation thereof.
- (7) "Food manufacturing establishment" means all buildings, rooms, basements, cellars, lofts, or other premises or part thereof, used, occupied, or maintained for the purpose of manufacturing, preparing, packing, canning, bottling, keeping, storing, handling, serving, or distributing food for sale. A food manufacturing establishment shall include food processors, bakeries, distributers, and warehouses.
- (8) "Food service establishment" means entities that prepare, serve, and sell food to the public, including restaurants, temporary food vendors, caterers, mobile food units, and limited operations as defined in rule.
- (9) "Lodging establishment" means any place where overnight accommodations are regularly provided to the transient, traveling, or vacationing public, including hotels, motels, inns, bed and breakfasts, and children's camps.
- (10) "Salvage food" means any food product from which the label on the packaging has been lost or destroyed or which has been subjected to possible damage as the result of an accident, fire, flood, or other cause that prevents the product from meeting the specifications of the manufacturer or the packer, but is otherwise suitable for human consumption.
- (11) "Salvage food facility" means any food vendor for which salvage food comprises 50 percent or more of gross sales.
- (12) "Seafood vending facility" means a store, motor vehicle, retail stand, or similar place from which a person sells seafood for human consumption.

- (13) "Shellfish reshipper and repacker" means an establishment engaging in interstate commerce of molluskan shellfish.
- (b) Nothing in this subchapter chapter shall be construed to modify or affect laws or regulations rules of the agency of agriculture, food and markets Agency of Agriculture, Food and Markets.

#### § 4302. GENERAL REQUIREMENTS

- (a) A person shall not manufacture, prepare, pack, can, bottle, keep, store, handle, serve, or distribute in any manner food for the purpose of sale, in an unclean, unsanitary, or unhealthful establishment or under unclean, unsanitary, or unhealthful conditions.
- (b) A person shall not engage in the business of conducting a lodging establishment under unclean, unsanitary, or unhealthful conditions.

### § 4303. SPECIAL PROVISIONS RULEMAKING

The Commissioner shall adopt rules pursuant to 3 V.S.A. chapter 25 to establish minimum standards for the safe and sanitary operation of food and lodging establishments and their administration and enforcement. Subject to the provisions of this subchapter, The rules shall require that an establishment shall be constructed, maintained, and operated with strict regard for the health of the employees and for the purity and wholesomeness of the food therein produced, kept, stored, handled, served, or distributed, so far as may be reasonable and necessary in the public interest and consistent with the character of the establishment, the public pursuant to the following general requirements:

- (1) The entire establishment and its immediate appertaining premises, including the fixtures and furnishings, the machinery, apparatus, implements, utensils, receptacles, vehicles, and other devices used in the production, keeping, storing, handling, serving, or distributing of the food, or the materials used in the food, shall be constructed, maintained, and operated in a clean, sanitary, and healthful manner;
- (2) The food and the materials used in the food shall be protected from any foreign or injurious contamination which that may render them unfit for human consumption;
- (3) The clothing, habits, and conduct of the employees shall be conducive to and promote cleanliness, sanitation, and healthfulness.
- (4) There shall be proper, suitable, and adequate toilets and lavatories, constructed, maintained, and operated in a clean, sanitary, and healthful manner.

- (5) There shall be proper, suitable, and adequate <u>water supply</u>, <u>heating</u>, <u>light lighting</u>, ventilation, drainage, <u>sewage disposal</u>, and plumbing.
- (6) There shall be proper operation and maintenance of pools, recreation water facilities, spas, and related facilities within lodging establishments.
- (7) The Commissioner may adopt any other minimum conditions that he or she deems necessary for the operation and maintenance of a food or lodging establishment in a safe and sanitary manner.

#### § 4304. EMPLOYEES

- (a) An employer shall not require, permit, or suffer any allow a person affected with any contagious, infectious, or other disease or physical ailment which that may render such employment detrimental to the public health to work in such an establishment, and a person so affected shall not work in any such an establishment subject to the provisions of this subchapter chapter.
- (b) The Commissioner may require a person employed in an establishment subject to the provisions of this chapter to undergo medical testing or an examination necessary for the purpose of determining whether the person is affected by a contagious, infectious, or other disease or physical ailment that may render his or her employment detrimental to public health. The Commissioner may prohibit a person from working in an establishment pursuant to section 127 of this title if the person refuses to submit to medical testing or an examination.

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#### § 4305. POWERS AND DUTIES OF STATE BOARD OF HEALTH

The board may require a person proposing to work or working in an establishment subject to the provisions of this subchapter, to undergo a physical examination for the purpose of ascertaining whether such person is affected with any contagious, infectious, or other disease or physical ailment, which may render his or her employment detrimental to the public health. The examination shall be made at the time and pursuant to conditions which shall be prescribed by the board. A person who refuses to submit to such examination shall not work or be required, permitted, or suffered to work in any such establishment. [Repealed.]

#### § 4306. INSPECTION

(a) It shall be the duty of the board <u>Commissioner</u> to enforce the provisions of this subchapter chapter and of 6 V.S.A. § 3312(d), and it he or she shall be permitted to inspect through its his or her duly authorized officers, inspectors, agents, or assistants, at all reasonable times, an establishment and, an

<u>establishment's records</u>, and a salvage food facility subject to the provisions of this <u>subchapter chapter</u>.

(b) Whenever an inspection demonstrates that the establishment or salvage food facility is not operated in accordance with the provision of this chapter, the officer, inspector, agent, or assistant shall notify the licensee of the conditions found and direct necessary changes.

#### § 4307. HEARING; ORDERS

When it appears upon such an inspection reveals that any an establishment is being maintained or operated in violation of the provisions of this subchapter chapter or any related rules, the board Commissioner shall cause provide written notice thereof, together with an order commanding an both abatement of such the violation and a compliance with this subchapter chapter within a reasonable period of time to be fixed in the order, to be served by a proper officer upon the person violating such provisions. Under such any related rules and regulations as may be prescribed adopted by the board Commissioner, a person upon whom such the notice and order are served shall be given an opportunity to be heard and to show cause as to why such the order should be vacated or amended. When, upon such a hearing, it appears that the provisions of this subchapter chapter have not been violated, the board Commissioner shall immediately vacate such the order, but without prejudice. however, it appears that such the provisions have been violated and such the person fails to comply with an order issued by the board Commissioner under the provisions of this section, the board Commissioner shall, forthwith, certify the facts to the proper prosecuting office revoke, modify, suspend, or enforce a civil penalty.

#### § 4308. REGULATIONS

The board shall make uniform and necessary rules and regulations for earrying out the provisions of this subchapter. [Repealed.]

#### § 4309. PENALTY

A person who violates a provision of this subchapter chapter or 6 V.S.A. § 3312(d), for which no other penalty is provided, shall be fined not more than \$300.00 for the first offense and, for each subsequent offense, not more than \$500.00 shall be fined a civil penalty not to exceed \$10,000.00 for each violation. In the case of a continuing violation, each subsequent day in violation may be deemed a separate violation.

Subchapter 2. Licensing Food and Lodging Establishments

#### § 4351. LICENSE FROM DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

- (a) A person shall not operate or maintain a hotel, inn, restaurant, tourist eamp food manufacturing facility, retail food establishment, lodging establishment, seafood vending facility, or any other place in which food is prepared and served, or lodgings provided or furnished to the transient traveling or vacationing public, or a seafood vending facility, unless he or she shall have first obtained and holds obtains and holds from the department Commissioner a license authorizing such operation. The secretary may prescribe rules or conditions within which he or she may issue a temporary license for a period not to exceed 60 days. The license shall state the rules or conditions under which it is issued. However, nothing herein shall apply to any person who occasionally prepares and serves meals or provides occasional lodgings. The license shall be displayed in such a way as to be easily viewed by the patrons. All licenses shall be displayed in a manner as to be easily viewed by the public.
- (b) For purposes of this section, "seafood vending facility" includes a store, motor vehicle, stand, or similar place from which a person sells seafood for consumption at another location.
- (1) A person shall not knowingly and willingly sell or offer for sale a bulk product manufactured by a bakery, regardless of whether the bakery is located in or outside the State, unless the operator of the bakery holds a valid license from the Commissioner.
- (2) The Commissioner shall not grant a license to a bakery located outside the State unless:
  - (A) the person operating the bakery:
- (i) has consented in writing to the Department's inspection and paid the required fee; or
- (ii) has presented to the Department satisfactory evidence of inspection and approval from the proper authority in his or her state and paid the required fee; and
- (B) inspection of the bakery confirms that it meets the laws and rules of this State.
- (c) The Commissioner may issue a temporary license for no more than 90 days. The temporary license shall state the conditions under which it is issued.
- (d) If the Commissioner does not renew a license, he or she shall provide written notice to the licensee. The notice shall specify any changes necessary to conform with State rules and shall state that if compliance is achieved within the time designated in the notice, the license shall be renewed. If the licensee

fails to achieve compliance within the prescribed time, the licensee shall have an opportunity for a hearing.

- (e) Any licensee or perspective licensee aggrieved by a decision or order of the Commissioner may appeal to the Board of Health within 30 days of that decision. Hearings by the Board under this section shall be subject to the provisions of 3 V.S.A. chapter 25 relating to contested cases. The Board shall consider the matter de novo and all persons, parties, and interests may appear and be heard. The Board shall issue an order within 30 days following the conclusion of the hearing.
- (f) If a licensee fails to renew his or her license within 60 days of its expiration date, a licensee shall apply for a new license and meet all licensure requirements anew.

#### § 4352. APPLICATION

A person desiring to operate a place an establishment in which food is prepared and served or in which lodging is offered to the public shall apply to the board Commissioner upon forms supplied by the board Department and shall pay a license fee as provided by section 4353 of this title. An application for licensure shall be submitted no fewer than 30 days prior to the opening of a food or lodging establishment. Upon receipt of such license fee and when satisfied that the premises are sanitary and healthful in accordance with the provisions of this chapter and related rules, the board Commissioner shall issue a license to the applicant with respect to the premises described therein.

#### § 4353. FEES

- (a) The Commissioner may establish by rule any requirement the Department needs to determine the applicable license fee category or any license exemption. The following fees shall be paid annually to the Board Department at the time of making the application according to the following schedules:
  - (1) Restaurant I—Seating capacity of 0 to 25; \$105.00

II—Seating capacity of 26 to 50; \$180.00

III—Seating capacity of 51 to 100; \$300.00

IV—Seating capacity of 101 to 200; \$385.00

V—Seating capacity of 201 to 599 over 200; \$450.00

VI Seating capacity 600 and over; \$1,000.00

VII—Home Caterer; \$155.00

VIII VII—Commercial Caterer; \$260.00

**IX** VIII—Limited Operations; \$140.00

X IX—Fair Stand; \$125.00; if operating for four or more days per year; \$230.00

#### (2) Lodging <u>establishments</u>

I—Lodging capacity of 1 to 10; \$130.00

II—Lodging capacity of 11 to 20; \$185.00

III—Lodging capacity of 21 to 50; \$250.00

IV—Lodging capacity of 51 to 200 over 50; \$390.00

V—Lodging capacity of over 200; \$1,000.00 Children's camps; \$150.00

(3) Food processor manufacturing establishment—a fee for any person or persons that process food for resale to restaurants, stores, or individuals according to the following schedule:

#### (A) Food manufacturing establishments; nonbakeries

<u>I</u>—Gross receipts of \$10,001.00 to \$50,000.00; \$175.00

(B)  $\underline{\text{II}}$ —Gross receipts of over \$50,000.00; \$275.00

<u>III</u> —Gross receipts of \$10,000.00 or less are exempt pursuant to section 4358 of this title

(B) Food manufacturing establishments; bakeries

<u>I—Home bakery; \$100.00</u>

II—Small commercial; \$200.00

III—Large commercial; \$350.00

- (4) Seafood vending facility—\$200.00, unless operating pursuant to another license issued by the Department of Health and generating less than \$40,000.00 in seafood gross receipts annually. If generating more than \$40,000.00 in seafood gross receipts annually, the fee is to be paid regardless of whether the facility is operating pursuant to another license issued by the Department of Health.
  - (5) Shellfish reshippers and repackers—\$375.00.
- (b) The Commissioner of Health will shall be the final authority on definition of categories contained herein.

(c) All fees received by the <u>Board Department</u> under this section shall be credited to a special fund and shall be available to the Department to offset the cost of providing the services.

#### § 4354. TERM OF LICENSE

Licenses shall expire annually on a date established by the <del>department</del> department and shall be renewable may be renewed upon the payment of a new license fee if the licensee is in good standing with the Department.

#### § 4355. REGULATIONS; REPORTS

- (a) The board may prescribe such rules and regulations as may be necessary to ensure the operation in a sanitary and healthful manner of places in which food is prepared and served to the public or in which lodgings are provided. All reports which such board may require shall be on forms prescribed by it.
- (b) The board shall not adopt any rule requiring food establishments that operate less than six months of the year and provide outdoor seating for no more than 16 people to provide toilet facilities to patrons, and any such rule or portion thereof now in effect is repealed. [Repealed.]

#### § 4356. INSPECTION, REVOCATION

The members of the board and any person in its employ and by its direction, at reasonable times, may enter any place operated under the provisions of sections 4351-4355 of this title, so far as may be necessary in the discharge of its duties. Whenever upon such inspection it is found that the premises are not being conducted in accordance with the provisions of the above named sections or the regulations adopted in accordance therewith, such board shall notify the licensee of the conditions found and direct such changes as are necessary. If such licensee shall fail within a reasonable time to comply with such orders, rules, or regulations adopted under the provisions of such sections, the board shall revoke the license. [Repealed.]

#### § 4357. PENALTY

A person who violates any provision of this subchapter shall be fined not more than \$500.00. [Repealed.]

#### § 4358. EXEMPTIONS

(a) The provisions of this subchapter shall apply only to such those hotels, inns, restaurants, tourist camps, and other places as that solicit the patronage of the public by advertising by means of signs, notices, placards, radio, electronic communications, or printed announcements.

- (b) The provisions of this subchapter shall not apply to an individual manufacturing and selling bakery products from his or her own home kitchen whose average gross retail sales do not exceed \$125.00 per week.
- (c) Any food manufacturing establishment claiming a licensing exemption shall provide documentation as required by rule.
- (d) The Commissioner shall not adopt a rule requiring food establishments that operate less than six months of the year and provide outdoor seating for less than 16 people at one time to provide toilet and hand washing facilities for patrons.

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#### Subchapter 4. Bakeries

#### § 4441. BAKERY PRODUCTS; DEFINITION

For the purposes of this subchapter,

- (1) The word "bakery" is defined as a building or part of a building wherein is carried on as a principal occupation the production of bread, cakes, pies, or other food products made either wholly or in part of flour and intended for sale.
- (2) The word "person" shall extend and be applied to bodies corporate, and to partnerships and unincorporated associations. [Repealed.]

#### § 4442. RULES AND INSPECTION BY STATE BOARD OF HEALTH

The Board shall adopt and enforce rules as the public health may require in respect to the sanitary conditions of bakeries as defined herein. The Board is hereby authorized to inspect any such bakery at all reasonable times through its duly appointed officers, inspectors, agents, or assistants. [Repealed.]

#### § 4443. SLEEPING ROOMS SEPARATE

The sleeping rooms for persons employed in a bakery shall be separated from the rooms where food products or any ingredient thereof are manufactured or stored. [Repealed.]

#### § 4444. <del>LICENSE</del>

(a) No person shall operate a bakery in this state without having obtained from the department a license describing the building used as a bakery, including the post office address of the same, which license shall be posted by the owner or operator of such bakery in a conspicuous place in the shop described in such license or in the sales room connected therewith.

(b) No person shall knowingly and willfully sell or offer for sale in this state any bulk product manufactured by a bakery, whether such a bakery is located within or without the state, unless the operator of such bakery shall hold a valid license, as prescribed, from the department, which license shall in no case be granted covering a bakery located outside the state unless the person operating such bakery shall have consented in writing to its inspection and paid the fee as herein provided, or shall have paid the fee and received a license after presenting to the department satisfactory evidence of inspection and approval from the proper authority of his or her own state, and such bakery shall have been found by the inspection to meet the requirements of the laws of this state and rules and regulations of the secretary relating thereto. [Repealed.]

#### § 4445. RENEWAL OF LICENSE

The holder of such a license who desires to continue to operate a bakery shall annually, commencing on or before January 31, 1974, and thereafter on or before January 31, renew his or her license, pay the renewal fee, and receive a new license provided the licensee is entitled thereto. [Repealed.]

#### § 4446. FEE

(a) A person owning or conducting a bakery as specified in sections 4441 and 4444 of this title shall pay to the Board a fee for each certificate and renewal thereof in accordance with the following schedule:

Bakery I Home Bakery; \$100.00

H Small Commercial; \$200.00

H Large Commercial; \$350.00

IV Camps; \$150.00

- (b) The Commissioner of Health will be the final authority on definition of categories contained herein.
- (c) All fees received by the Board under this section shall be credited to a special fund and shall be available to the Department to offset the cost of providing the services. [Repealed.]

#### § 4447. REVOCATION

Such license may be suspended or revoked by the board for cause after hearing. [Repealed.]

#### § 4448. NEW BAKERY

No person shall open a new bakery in this state without having given at least 15 days' notice to the department of intention to open such bakery which

notice shall contain a description and location of the building proposed to be used as such bakery. Upon receipt of such notice, the department shall cause such premises to be examined and, if found to comply with the provisions and statutes relating to bakeries and the rules and regulations prescribed by the secretary, a license shall be issued upon payment of the fee as herein provided. [Repealed.]

#### § 4449. LOCAL REGULATIONS

The provisions of this subchapter shall not prevent local health authorities from making and enforcing orders or regulations concerning the sanitary condition of bakeries and the sale of bakery products, except that such orders and regulations shall be suspended to the extent necessary to give effect to the provisions of this subchapter and the rules and regulations prescribed pursuant thereto. [Repealed.]

#### § 4450. PENALTY

A person who violates any provisions of this subchapter shall be fined not more than \$500.00. [Repealed.]

#### § 4451. EXCEPTIONS

The provisions of this subchapter shall not apply to individuals manufacturing in and selling from their own private home kitchens bread, cakes, pies, or other food products made either wholly or in part from flour whose average gross retail sales of such products do not exceed \$125.00 a week, nor to restaurants, inns, or hotels subject to the provisions of subchapter 2 of this chapter, nor to church, fraternal, or charitable food sales. [Repealed.]

#### Subchapter 5. Salvage Food Facilities

#### § 4461. DEFINITIONS

For the purposes of this subchapter:

- (1) "Salvage food" means any food product from which the label on the packaging has been lost or destroyed or which has been subjected to possible damage as the result of accident, fire, flood, or other cause which may prevent the product from meeting the specifications of the manufacturer or the packer, but is otherwise suitable for human consumption.
- (2) "Salvage food facility" means a food vendor for which salvage foods comprise 50 percent or more of gross sales. [Repealed.]

#### § 4462. REGULATIONS AND INSPECTION

The state board of health is authorized to inspect any salvage food facility at all reasonable times through its officers, inspectors, agents, or assistants. [Repealed.]

#### Subchapter 6. Temporary Outdoor Seating

### § 4465. LIMITED FOOD ESTABLISHMENTS; TEMPORARY OUTDOOR SEATING

A food establishment that prepares and serves food for off premises uses may provide temporary outdoor seating for up to 16 persons from May 1 to October 31 without providing patron toilet or handwashing facilities. [Repealed.]

#### Sec. 2. EFFECTIVE DATE

This act shall take effect on July 1, 2016.

(Committee vote: 5-0-0)

S. 190.

An act relating to maintaining prescription drugs outside the original prescription container.

# Reported favorably with recommendation of amendment by Senator Lyons for the Committee on Health & Welfare.

The Committee recommends that the bill be amended by striking out all after the enacting clause and inserting in lieu thereof the following:

Sec. 1. 18 V.S.A. § 4216 is amended to read:

#### § 4216. AUTHORIZED POSSESSION BY INDIVIDUALS

- (a) A person to whom or for whose use any regulated drug has been prescribed, sold, or dispensed, and the owner of any animal for which any such drug has been prescribed, sold, or dispensed, may lawfully possess the same on the condition that such drug was prescribed, sold, or dispensed by a physician, dentist, pharmacist, or veterinarian licensed under this chapter to practice in this State or under the laws of another state or country wherein such person has his or her practice, and further that all amounts of the drug are retained in the lawful container in which it was delivered to him or her by the person selling or dispensing the same, provided however, that for the purposes of this section an amount of regulated drugs of not more than two days' individual prescribed dosage may be possessed by a patient for his or her personal use.
- (b) Notwithstanding the requirement in subsection (a) of this section that a regulated drug be retained in its original container, the individual to whom a regulated drug was prescribed, dispensed, or sold by a physician, dentist, or

pharmacist licensed in Vermont or in another state or country may maintain up to a 14-day supply of the regulated drug outside the original container for his or her own personal use if the following conditions are met:

- (A) the drug was prescribed for the individual;
- (B) the individual is in possession of the original or a copy of the prescription label;
- (C) at all times, the individual intends and has intended to use the drug only for legitimate medical use in conformity with instructions from the prescriber and dispenser; and
- (D) the individual maintains the limited supply of the drug in a receptacle that reasonably constitutes a more convenient or portable format to enable the individual's legitimate medical use.

#### Sec. 2. EFFECTIVE DATE

This act shall take effect on July 1, 2016.

(Committee vote: 5-0-0)

#### CONCURRENT RESOLUTIONS FOR NOTICE

**S.C.R. 37-38** (For text of Resolutions, see Addendum to Senate Calendar for February 25, 2016)

**H.C.R. 237 and 248-261** (For text of Resolutions, see Addendum to House Calendar for February 25, 2016)

#### **CONFIRMATIONS**

The following appointments will be considered by the Senate, as a group, under suspension of the Rules, as moved by the President *pro tempore*, for confirmation together and without debate, by consent thereby given by the Senate. However, upon request of any senator, any appointment may be singled out and acted upon separately by the Senate, with consideration given to the report of the Committee to which the appointment was referred, and with full debate; and further, all appointments for the positions of Secretaries of Agencies, Commissioners of Departments, Judges, Magistrates, and members of the Public Service Board shall be fully and separately acted upon.

<u>Kirstin Schoonover</u> of Huntington – Superior Court Judge – By Sen. Benning for the Committee on Judiciary. (2/25/16)

# FOR INFORMATION ONLY CROSS OVER DATES

The Joint Rules Committee established the following Crossover deadlines:

- (1) All **Senate/House** bills must be reported out of the last committee of reference (including the Committees on Appropriations and Finance/Ways and Means, except as provided below in (2) and the exceptions listed below) on or before **Friday, March 11, 2016**, and filed with the Secretary/Clerk so they may be placed on the Calendar for Notice the next legislative day.
- (2) All **Senate/House** bills referred pursuant to Senate Rule 31 or House Rule 35(a) to the Committees on Appropriations and Finance/Ways and Means must be reported out by the last of those committees on or before **Friday**, **March 18**, **2016**, and filed with the Secretary/Clerk so they may be placed on the Calendar for Notice the next legislative day.

**Note**: The Senate will not act on bills that do not meet these crossover deadlines, without the consent of the Senate Rules Committee.

Exceptions to the foregoing deadlines include the major money bills (Appropriations "Big Bill", Transportation Spending Bill, Capital Construction Bill, and Miscellaneous Tax Bill).