Side-by Side Comparison of S.138 5/15/15 @ 10:30 am

Sections highlighted in yellow address the same subject but with differences highlighted in yellow within the text

Sections highlighted in turquoise are identical

Subject	Sec. House/Senate				House Conference Committee Proposal to Senate Conference Committee Proposal to House Conference Committee Proposal of Amendment to Senate Conference Committee Proposal of Amendment to House Proposal of Amendment #309471.6	Senate Conference Committee Proposal to House Conference Committee Proposal to Senate Conference Committee Proposal to House Proposal of Amendment #309471.5
Business Rapid Response to Declared State Disasters	A.1	I	As Passed House	As Passed House		
Gun Suppressors – Manufacture, Import, Possession, Use, Sale	A.2.A	A.2	Sec. A.2.A. 13 V.S.A. § 4010 is amended to read: § 4010. GUN SILENCERS SUPPRESSORS A person who manufactures, sells, uses, or possesses with intent to sell or use an appliance known as or used for a gun silencer shall be fined \$25.00 for each offense. The provisions of this section shall not prevent the use or possession of gun silencers by: (1) a Level III certified law enforcement officer or Department of Fish and Wildlife employee in connection with his or her duties and responsibilities and in accordance with the policies and procedures of that officer's or employee's agency or department; or (2) the Vermont National Guard in connection with its duties and responsibilities. (a) As used in this section, "gun suppressor" means any device for silencing, muffling, or diminishing the report of a portable firearm, including any combination of parts, designed or redesigned, and intended for use in assembling or fabricating a gun suppressor, and any part intended only for use in such assembly or fabrication. (b)(1) Except as provided in subsection (c) of this section, a person shall not manufacture, make, or import a gun suppressor. (2) A person who violates subdivision (1) of this subsection shall be fined not less than \$500.00. (c) Subsection (b) of this section shall not apply to: (1) a licensed manufacturer, as defined in 18 U.S.C. § 921, who is registered as a manufacturer pursuant to 26 U.S.C. § 5802; (2) a licensed importer, as defined in 18 U.S.C. § 921, who is registered as an importer pursuant to 26 U.S.C. § 5802; or (3) a person who makes a gun suppressor in compliance with the requirements of 26 U.S.C. § 5822.	Sec. A.2. 13 V.S.A. § 4010 is amended to read: § 4010. GUN SILENCERS-SUPPRESSORS (a) A Except as otherwise provided in subsection (b) of this section, a person who manufactures, sells, uses, or possesses with intent to sell or use an appliance known as or used for a gun silencer suppressor shall be fined \$25.00 for each offense. The provisions of this section shall not prevent the use or possession of gun silencers suppressors by: *** (b) Subsection (a) of this section shall not apply to a licensed manufacturer or a licensed importer, as defined in 18 U.S.C. § 921, who is also registered as a manufacturer or an importer pursuant to 26 U.S.C. § 5802, who in the ordinary course of his or her business as a manufacturer or as an importer, manufactures, sells, uses, or possesses with intent to sell or use, an appliance known as or used for a gun suppressor. [Language as passed House Commerce prior to Deen amendment]		
Gun Suppressors – Prohibition on hunting with suppressor	A.2.B.	-	Sec. A.2.B. 10 V.S.A. § 4704 is amended to read: § 4704. USE OF MACHINE GUNS AND, AUTOLOADING RIFLES, AND GUN SUPPRESSORS (a) A person engaged in hunting for wild animals shall not use, carry, or have in his or her	Sec. A.2.B. 10 V.S.A. § 4704 is amended to read: § 4704. USE OF MACHINE GUNS AND, AUTOLOADING RIFLES, AND GUN SUPPRESSORS (a) A person engaged in hunting for wild animals shall not use, earry, or have in his or her		

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			possession: (1) a machine gun of any kind or description or: (2) an autoloading rifle with a magazine capacity of over six cartridges, except a .22 caliber rifle using rim fire cartridges; or (3) a gun suppressor. (b) As used in this section, "gun suppressor" means any device for silencing, muffling, or diminishing the report of a portable firearm, including any combination of parts, designed or redesigned, and intended for use in assembling or fabricating a gun suppressor, and any part intended only for use in such assembly or fabrication.	possession: (1) a machine gun of any kind or description or: (2) an autoloading rifle with a magazine capacity of over six cartridges, except a .22 caliber rifle using rim fire cartridges; or: (3) a gun suppressor. (b) As used in this section, "gun suppressor" means any device for silencing, muffling, or diminishing the report of a portable firearm, including any combination of parts, designed or redesigned, and intended for use in assembling or fabricating a gun suppressor, and any part intended only for use in such assembly or fabrication.
Gun Suppressors – Penalty for hunting with suppressor	A.2.C		Sec. A.2.C. 10 V.S.A. § 4502 is amended to read: § 4502. UNIFORM POINT SYSTEM; REVOCATION OF LICENSE (a) A uniform point system which assigns points to those convicted of a violation of a provision of this part is established. The conviction report from the eourt Court shall be prima facie evidence of the points assessed. In addition to other penalties assessed for violation of fish and wildlife statutes, the Commissioner shall suspend licenses issued under this part which are held by a person who has accumulated ten or more points in accordance with the provisions of subsection (c) of this section. (b) A person violating provisions of this part shall receive points for convictions in accordance with the following schedule (all sections are in Title 10 of Vermont Statutes Annotated): *** (2) Ten points shall be assessed for: *** (G) § 4704. Use of machine guns and, autoloading rifles, and gun suppressors ***	See. A.2.C. 10 V.S.A. § 4502 is amended to read: § 4502. UNIFORM POINT SYSTEM; REVOCATION OF LICENSE (a) A uniform point system which assigns points to those convicted of a violation of a provision of this part is established. The conviction report from the court Court shall be prima facie evidence of the points assessed. In addition to other penalties assessed for violation of fish and wildlife statutes, the Commissioner shall suspend licenses issued under this part which are held by a person who has accumulated ten or more points in accordance with the provisions of subsection (e) of this section. (b) A person violating provisions of this part shall receive points for convictions in accordance with the following schedule (all sections are in Title 10 of Vermont Statutes Annotated): **** (2) Ten points shall be assessed for: **** (G) § 4704. Use of machine guns and, autoloading rifles, and gun suppressors *****
Blockchain Technology	A.3		As Passed House and modified by Senate Conference Proposal	As Passed House and modified by Senate Conference Proposal
Alcoholic Beverages; Definitions	A.4	50	As Passed House	As Passed House
Alcoholic Beverages; Duties of Liquor Control Board	A.5	51	As Passed House and Senate	As Passed House and Senate
Alcoholic Beverages; Duties of Commissioner	A.6	52	As Passed House and Senate	As Passed House and Senate
Alcoholic Beverages; Special Purchases by Commissioner	A.7	53	As Passed House and Senate	As Passed House and Senate
Alcoholic Beverages; Liquor Control Fund	A.8	54	As Passed House and Senate	As Passed House and Senate
Alcoholic Beverages; First- and Second-Class Licenses	A.9	55	As Passed House and Senate	As Passed House and Senate
Alcoholic Beverages; Third- Class Licenses	A.10	56	As Passed House and Senate	As Passed House and Senate
Alcoholic Beverages; Educational Sampling Events	A.11	57	As Passed House and Senate	As Passed House and Senate
Alcoholic Beverages; Licensing Fees	A.12	58	As Passed House	As Passed House
Alcoholic Beverages; Excise Tax on Spirits and Fortified	A.13	59	As Passed House and Senate	As Passed House and Senate

Wines				
Alcoholic Beverages; Statutory Revision	A.14	60	As Passed House and Senate	As Passed House and Senate
Alcoholic Beverages; Fortified Wine Study	A.15	61	As Passed House and Senate	As Passed House and Senate
Alcoholic Beverages; Liquor Control System Modernization Study	A.16	I	As Passed House and modified by Senate Conference Proposal	As Passed House and modified by Senate Conference Proposal
Uniform Commercial Code – Article 4A	B.1		As Passed House	As Passed House
Uniform Commercial Code – Article 7	B.2	I	As Passed House	As Passed House
Vermont Strong Scholars Program and Internship Initiative - Findings	C.1	10	As Passed House	As Passed House
Vermont Strong Scholars Program and Internship Initiative - Findings	C.2	11	As Passed House and modified by Senate Conference Proposal	As Passed House and modified by Senate Conference Proposal
Workforce Education and Training Fund; Vermont Career Internship Program	C.3	I	As Passed House	As Passed House
Vermont Career Internship Program	C.3	I	As Passed House	As Passed House
Youth Employment Working Group	C.4	I	Conference Position (striking out in its entirety)	Conference Position (striking out in its entirety)
Vermont Governor's Committee on Employment of People with Disabilities	C.5	13	As Passed House	As Passed House
Vermont ABLE Savings Program	C.6 – C.8	I	As Passed House	As Passed House
Medicaid for Working People with Disabilities	C.9	I	As Passed House	As Passed House
Vermont Career Technical Education; Study and Report	C.10	·	As Passed House	As Passed House
Advanced Manufacturing and Information Technology Programs; Analysis	I	12	Conference Position (striking out in its entirety)	Conference Position (striking out in its entirety)
Tourism and Marketing; Economic Development Marketing – Findings and Purpose	D.1	-	D.1. FINDINGS AND PURPOSE (a) The General Assembly finds: (1) The State of Vermont is a worldwide leader in the global tourism market. Visitors from around the world come to Vermont to recreate and the Vermont brand is now recognized and admired throughout the world. (2) Vermont is rapidly developing a reputation as a place where entrepreneurs and innovators can succeed, and where they can come to start and grow great businesses. (3) The Department of Tourism and Marketing should continue its very successful tourism marketing efforts in order to maintain our standing in the global tourism market. (4) The Department should also develop an economic development marketing program,	D.1. FINDINGS AND PURPOSE (a) The General Assembly finds: (1) The State of Vermont is a worldwide leader in the global tourism market. Visitors from around the world come to Vermont to recreate and the Vermont brand is now recognized and admired throughout the world. (2) Vermont is rapidly developing a reputation as a place where entrepreneurs and innovators can succeed, and where they can come to start and grow great businesses. (3) The Department of Tourism and Marketing should continue its very successful tourism marketing efforts in order to maintain our standing in the global tourism market. (4) The Department should also develop an economic development marketing program.

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		business, including:	business, including:
		(A) Vermont's long history of innovation, including agricultural, business, and	(A) Vermont's long history of innovation, including agricultural, business, and
		technical innovation; product design; and entrepreneurship;	technical innovation; product design; and entrepreneurship;
		(B) the multitude and diversity of successful start-up businesses in environmental	(B) the multitude and diversity of successful start-up businesses in environmental
		technology, health technology, advanced manufacturing, services technology, biotechnology,	technology, health technology, advanced manufacturing, services technology, biotechnology,
		recreation technology, and social technology;	recreation technology, and social technology;
		(C) the benefits of Vermont's size, scale, and accessibility to government officials and	(C) the benefits of Vermont's size, seale, and accessibility to government officials and
		resources, which make Vermont a state where business can start, grow, and prosper; and	resources, which make Vermont a state where business can start, grow, and prosper; and
		(D) the benefits of Vermont's educational and workforce development resources, and	(D) the benefits of Vermont's educational and workforce development resources, and
		its highly skilled and highly educated population.	its highly skilled and highly educated population.
		(b) The purpose of Secs. D.2 and D.3 of this act is to expand the mission of the Department of	(b) The purpose of Sees. D.2 and D.3 of this act is to expand the mission of the Department of
		Tourism and Marketing to ensure a focus on economic development marketing.	Tourism and Marketing to ensure a focus on economic development marketing.
		Sec. D.2. 3 V.S.A. chapter 47 is amended to read:	Sec. D.2. 3 V.S.A. chapter 47 is amended to read:
		Chapter 47: Commerce and Community Development * * *	CHAPTER 47: COMMERCE AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT ***
		§ 2472. DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND COMMUNITY AFFAIRS-DEVELOPMENT	§ 2472. DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND COMMUNITY AFFAIRS
		(a) The department of housing and community affairs is created within the agency of	
		commerce and community development Department of Housing and Community Development is	(a) The department of housing and community affairs is created within the agency of
		created within the Agency of Commerce and Community Development. The department	commerce and community development Department of Housing and Community Development is
		Department shall:	ereated within the Agency of Commerce and Community Development. The department
		(1) Be the central state State agency to coordinate, consolidate, and operate, to the extent	Department shall:
		possible, all housing programs enacted hereafter by the general assembly General Assembly or	(1) Be the central state <u>State</u> agency to coordinate, consolidate, and operate, to the extent
		created by executive order of the governor Governor.	possible, all housing programs enacted hereafter by the general assembly General Assembly or
		(2) Be the central state <u>State</u> agency for local and regional planning and coordination.	ereated by executive order of the governor Governor.
		(3) Administer the community development block grant program pursuant to 10 V.S.A.	(2) Be the central state <u>State</u> agency for local and regional planning and coordination.
		chapter 29. When awarding municipal planning grants prior to fiscal year 2012, the department	(3) Administer the community development block grant program pursuant to 10 V.S.A.
		Department shall give priority to grants for downtowns, new town centers, growth centers, and	chapter 29. When awarding municipal planning grants prior to fiscal year 2012, the department
Tourism and Marketing;		Vermont neighborhoods.	Department shall give priority to grants for downtowns, new town centers, growth centers, and
Economic Development	D.2	(4) In partnership with the division for historic preservation Division of Historic	Vermont neighborhoods.
Marketing – Department of		Preservation, direct, supervise, and administer the Vermont downtown program, and any other program designed to preserve the continued economic vitality of the state's State's traditional	(4) In partnership with the division for historic preservation <u>Division of Historic</u> Preservation, direct, supervise, and administer the Vermont downtown program, and any other
Tourism and Marketing		commercial districts.	program designed to preserve the continued economic vitality of the state's <u>State's</u> traditional
		(b) Neither the Vermont state housing authority State Housing Authority or the Vermont home	commercial districts.
		mortgage guarantee board agency Housing Finance Agency shall be considered part of the	(b) Neither the Vermont state housing authority State Housing Authority or the Vermont home
		department of housing and community affairs Department, but shall keep the department	mortgage guarantee board agency Housing Finance Agency shall be considered part of the
		Department advised of programs and activities being conducted.	department of housing and community affairs Department, but shall keep the department
		* * *	Department advised of programs and activities being conducted.
		§ 2473. DIVISION FOR HISTORIC PRESERVATION	* * *
		The division for historic preservation Division of Historic Preservation is created within the	\$ 2473. DIVISION FOR HISTORIC PRESERVATION
		department of housing and community affairs Department of Housing and Community	The division for historic preservation Division of Historic Preservation is created within the
		Development as the successor to and the continuation of the board of historic sites Board of	department of housing and community affairs Department of Housing and Community
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		§ 2476. DEPARTMENT OF TOURISM AND MARKETING	$\frac{21356376 \text{ Sites}}{2} \text{ and the division of mistoric sites}$ $\frac{21356376 \text{ Sites}}{2} \text{ sites}$
		(a) The department of tourism and marketing of the agency is created, as successor to the	<u>§ 2476. DEPARTMENT OF TOURISM AND MARKETING</u>
		department of travel The Department of Tourism and Marketing is created within the Agency of	(a) The department of tourism and marketing of the agency is created, as successor to the
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	Commerce and Community Development. The department Department shall be administered by	a department of travel The Department of Tourism and Marketing is created within the Agency of
	commissioner Commissioner.	Commerce and Community Development. The department Department shall be administered by a
	(b) <u>Tourism marketing</u> . The department of tourism and marketing <u>Department</u> shall be	commissioner Commissioner.
	responsible for the promotion of Vermont goods and services as well as the promotion of	(b) Tourism marketing. The department of tourism and marketing Department shall be
	Vermont's travel, recreation, and cultural attractions through advertising and other informational	responsible for the promotion of Vermont goods and services as well as the promotion of
	programs, and for provision of travel and recreation information and services to visitors to the	Vermont's travel, recreation, and cultural attractions through advertising and other informational
	state State, in coordination with other agencies of state State government, chambers of commerc	
	and travel associations, and the private sector <u>in order to increase the benefits of tourism</u>	state <u>State</u> , in coordination with other agencies of state <u>State</u> government, chambers of commerce
	marketing, including:	and travel associations, and the private sector in order to increase the benefits of tourism
	(1) enhancing Vermont's image as a tourist destination in the regional, national, and glob	
	marketplace;	(1) enhancing Vermont's image as a tourist destination in the regional, national, and global
	(2) increasing occupancy rates;	marketplace;
	(3) increasing visitor spending throughout the State; and	(2) increasing occupancy rates;
	(4) increasing State revenues generated through the rooms and meals tax.	(3) increasing visitor spending throughout the State; and
	(c) Economic development marketing. The Department shall be responsible for the promotion	on (4) increasing State revenues generated through the rooms and meals tax.
	of Vermont as great place to live, work, and do business in order to increase the benefits of	(c) Economic development marketing. The Department shall be responsible for the promotion
	economic development marketing, including:	of Vermont as great place to live, work, and do business in order to increase the benefits of
	(1) attracting additional private investment in Vermont businesses;	economic development marketing, including:
	(2) recruiting new businesses;	(1) attracting additional private investment in Vermont businesses;
	(3) attracting more innovators and entrepreneurs to locate in Vermont;	(2) recruiting new businesses;
	(4) attracting, recruiting, and growing the workforce to fill existing vacancies in growing	(3) attracting more innovators and entrepreneurs to locate in Vermont;
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	businesses; and	(4) attracting, recruiting, and growing the workforce to fill existing vacancies in growing
	(5) promoting and supporting Vermont businesses, goods, and services.	businesses; and
	(d) On and after July 1, 1997, all departments engaging in marketing activities shall submit t	
	and coordinate marketing plans with the commissioner of the department of tourism and	(d) On and after July 1, 1997, all departments engaging in marketing activities shall submit to
	marketing Commissioner.	and coordinate marketing plans with the commissioner of the department of tourism and
	(d) [Repealed.]	marketing <u>Commissioner</u> .
	(e) The department of tourism and marketing <u>Department</u> may conduct direct marketing	(d) [Repealed.]
	activities pursuant to this chapter or chapter 27 of Title 10 V.S.A. chapter 27, but and shall make	
	best reasonable efforts work to increase marketing activities conducted in partnership with one of	activities pursuant to this chapter or chapter 27 of Title 10 V.S.A. chapter 27, but and shall make
	more private sector partners to maximize State marketing resources and to enable Vermont	best reasonable efforts work to increase marketing activities conducted in partnership with one or
	businesses to align their own brand identities with the Vermont brand, enhancing the reputations	more private sector partners to maximize State marketing resources and to enable Vermont
	of both the business and the State.	businesses to align their own brand identities with the Vermont brand, enhancing the reputations
	(f) Building on established, successful collaboration with private partners in travel and	of both the business and the State.
	tourism, agriculture, and other industry sectors, the department should Department shall have the	
	authority undertake reasonable efforts to extend its marketing and promotional resources to	tourism, agriculture, and other industry sectors, the department should Department shall have the
	include partners in the arts and humanities, as well as other partners that depend on tourism for a	authority undertake reasonable efforts to extend its marketing and promotional resources to
	significant part of their annual revenue.	include partners in the arts and humanities, as well as other partners that depend on tourism for a
	(g) The Department shall expand its outreach and information-gathering procedures to allow	significant part of their annual revenue.
	Vermont businesses and other interested stakeholders to comment on the design and	(g) The Department shall expand its outreach and information-gathering procedures to allow
	implementation of its tourism marketing and economic development marketing initiatives and al	
	to provide ongoing feedback to the Department on the effectiveness of its initiatives.	implementation of its tourism marketing and economic development marketing initiatives and also
		to provide ongoing feedback to the Department on the effectiveness of its initiatives.
Tourism and Marketing;	Sec. D.3. DEPARTMENT OF TOURISM AND MARKETING; ECONOMIC	Sec. D.3. DEPARTMENT OF TOURISM AND MARKETING; ECONOMIC
Economic Development	DEVELOPMENT MADVETING, LEGISLATIVE DRODOGAL	DEVELOPMENT MARKETING: LEGISLATIVE PROPOSAL
Marketing – Economic	D.3 AND REPORT TO DEFINE PROGRAM GOALS, TARGETS,	AND REPORT TO DEFINE PROGRAM GOALS, TARGETS.
Development Marketing	PERFORMANCE MEASURES, AND RESULTS	PERFORMANCE MEASURES, AND RESULTS
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Proposal			(a) On or before January 15, 2016, the Department of Tourism and Marketing shall report to	(a) On or before January 15, 2016, the Department of Tourism and Marketing shall report to
			the House Committee on Commerce and Economic Development and the Senate Committee on	the House Committee on Commerce and Economic Development and the Senate Committee on
			Economic Development, Housing and General Affairs to identify the goals, targets, performance	Economic Development, Housing and General Affairs to identify the goals, targets, performance
			measures, and results of its economic development marketing programs, including testimony or a	measures, and results of its economic development marketing programs, including testimony or a
			written report addressing:	written report addressing:
			(1) Department functions, including:	(1) Department functions, including:
			(A) the mission and objectives of the Department and its programs;	(A) the mission and objectives of the Department and its programs;
			(B) measurable goals for success;	(B) measurable goals for success;
			(C) a profile of specific target audiences;	(C) a profile of specific target audiences;
			(D) research necessary to engage those audiences;	(D) research necessary to engage those audiences:
			(E) strategies to identify and document Vermont's unique offerings and benefits to	(E) strategies to identify and document Vermont's unique offerings and benefits to
			those audiences; and	those audiences; and
			(F) tactics to accomplish each strategy.	(F) tactics to accomplish each strategy.
			(2) Desired goals, including:	(2) Desired goals, including:
			(A) new people, employees, and businesses relocate and invest in Vermont; and	(A) new people, employees, and businesses relocate and invest in Vermont; and
			(B) current Vermonters and businesses stay and prosper here.	(B) current Vermonters and businesses stay and prosper here.
			(3) Measurable targets, including an increase in:	(3) Measurable targets, including an increase in:
			(A) student applications to Vermont schools;	(A) student applications to Vermont schools:
			(B) workforce participants;	(B) workforce participants:
				(C) employment opportunities and jobs;
			(C) employment opportunities and jobs;	- · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
			(D) number of businesses:	(D) number of businesses;
			(E) investment in Vermont businesses; and	(E) investment in Vermont businesses; and
			(F) the number of homeowners.	(F) the number of homeowners.
			(4) Methods for identifying and collecting data indicators, and analyzing results.	(4) Methods for identifying and collecting data indicators, and analyzing results.
			D.4. APPROPRIATION	D.4. APPROPRIATION
Tarriana and Mankatina			In fiscal year 2016 there is appropriated from the General Fund to the Department of Tourism	In fiscal year 2016 there is appropriated from the General Fund to the Department of Tourism
Tourism and Marketing;	D 4	_		
Economic Development	<mark>D.4</mark>	=	and Marketing the amount of \$500,000.00 for the purpose of preparing and implementing an	and Marketing the amount of \$500,000.00 for the purpose of preparing and implementing an
Marketing – Appropriation			economic development marketing proposal pursuant to Sec. D.3 of this act.	economic development marketing proposal pursuant to Sec. D.3 of this act.
Domestic Export Program - Codification	D.5	41	As Passed House and Senate	As Passed House and Senate
Domestic Export Program –	D	40	A. D III	A. D. and H.
Implementation	D.6	42	As Passed House	As Passed House
Vermont Entrepreneurial Lending Program	E.1	43	As Passed House	As Passed House
Vermont Economic				
Development Authority;	E.2		As Passed House	As Passed House
Eligible Facility		_		
Treasurer's Credit Facility for				
Local Investments; Extension	E.3	46	As Passed House and Senate	As Passed House and Senate
of Sunset				
Peer-to-Peer Lending; Study;				
Report		E.5	As Passed Senate	As Passed Senate
Media Production Database		E.6	As Passed Senate and modified by Senate Conference Committee	As Passed Senate and modified by Senate Conference Committee
Licensed Lender; Exemption	E.4		As Passed House	As Passed House
Economic Development	F.1		As Passed House	As Passed House
Economic Development	1.1		As I dosed House	As I asset House

Strategy; Deference to Regional Plans				
Southern Vermont Economic Development Zone – Findings and Purpose	F.2	•	Conference Position (As passed House with addition of intent language)	Conference Position (As passed House with addition of intent language)
Southern Vermont Economic Development Zone – Zone Established	F.3	1	As Passed House	As Passed House
Southern Vermont Economic Development Zone – Study Committee and Report	F.4	1	As Passed House	As Passed House
Act 250; Implementation of Criterion 9(L)	F.5	33	As Passed House and Senate	As Passed House and Senate
Neighborhood Development Area	F.6	35	As Passed House and Senate	As Passed House and Senate
Primary Agricultural Soils	F.7	<mark>36</mark>	As Passed House and Senate	As Passed House and Senate
Conservation Easements	F.8	37	As Passed House and Senate	As Passed House and Senate
Methane Digesters; Certificate of Public Good	F.9		As Passed House	As Passed House
Vermont Employment Growth Incentive (VEGI) – conforming change to 32 V.S.A. § 5930a	G.1	<mark>71</mark>	As Passed House and Senate	As Passed House and Senate
Vermont Employment Growth Incentive (VEGI) – Qualifying	G.2	-	As Passed House	As Passed House
Job				
Vermont Employment Growth Incentive (VEGI) – Wage Threshold	G.2	72	(24) "Wage threshold" means the minimum annualized Vermont gross wages and salaries paid, as determined by the Council, but not less than: (A) 60 percent above the minimum wage at the time of application, in order for a new job to be a qualifying job under this section; or (B) for a business located in a labor market area in which the average annual unemployment rate is at least 0.5 percentage points higher than the average annual unemployment rate for the State, the greater of: (i) 40 percent above the State minimum wage at the time of application; or (ii) \$13.00 per hour.	(24) "Wage threshold" means the minimum annualized Vermont gross wages and salaries paid, as determined by the Council, but not less than: (A) 60 percent above the minimum wage at the time of application, in order for a new job to be a qualifying job under this section; or (B) for a business located in a labor market area in which the average annual unemployment rate is at least 0.5 percentage points higher than the average annual unemployment rate for the State, the greater of: (i) 40 percent above the State minimum wage at the time of application; or (ii) \$13.00 per hour.
Vermont Employment Growth Incentive (VEGI) – Wage	G.2 G.2	72	paid, as determined by the Council, but not less than: (A) 60 percent above the minimum wage at the time of application, in order for a new job to be a qualifying job under this section; or (B) for a business located in a labor market area in which the average annual unemployment rate is at least 0.5 percentage points higher than the average annual unemployment rate for the State, the greater of: (i) 40 percent above the State minimum wage at the time of application; or	paid, as determined by the Council, but not less than: (A) 60 percent above the minimum wage at the time of application, in order for a new job to be a qualifying job under this section; or (B) for a business located in a labor market area in which the average annual unemployment rate is at least 0.5 percentage points higher than the average annual unemployment rate for the State, the greater of: (i) 40 percent above the State minimum wage at the time of application; or

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			period targets within the extension period.	period targets within the extension period.
			(iii) If the Council grants an extension pursuant to this subdivision (B), the Council	(iii) If the Council grants an extension pursuant to this subdivision (B), the Council
			shall recalculate the value of the incentive using the cost-benefit model and the wage threshold	shall recalculate the value of the incentive using the cost-benefit model and the wage threshold
			applicable at the time the extension is granted and shall adjust the amount of the award as is	applicable at the time the extension is granted and shall adjust the amount of the award as is
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			necessary to account for the extension of the award period and the updated wage threshold.	necessary to account for the extension of the award period and the updated wage threshold.
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Vermont Employment Growth				
Incentive (VEGI) – Enhanced	G.2	72	As Passed House	As Passed House
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truming meentive			(i) Employment growth incentive for value-added business.	(g) Employment growth incentive for a value-added business or environmental technology
			(1) In this subsection:	business.
			(A) "Advanced manufacturing" means:	(1) As used in this subsection , an :
			(i) an activity that depends on the use and coordination of information, automation,	(A) "advanced manufacturing" means:
			computation, software, sensing, and networking, or	(i) an activity that depends on the use and coordination of information, automation,
			(ii) an activity that uses cutting edge materials and emerging capabilities enabled by	computation, software, sensing, and networking; or
			the physical and biological sciences, including nanotechnology, chemistry, and biology, that	(ii) an activity that uses cutting edge materials and emerging capabilities enabled by
			includes both new ways to manufacture existing products and the manufacture of new products	the physical and biological sciences, including nanotechnology, chemistry, and biology, that
			emerging from new advanced technologies.	includes both new ways to manufacture existing products and the manufacture of new products
			(B) "Value-added business" means a person that is subject to income taxation in	
				emerging from new advanced technologies;
			Vermont and whose current or prospective economic activity in Vermont for which incentives are	(B) "environmental technology business" means a business that is subject to income
			sought under this section is certified by the Secretary of Commerce and Community Development	taxation in Vermont and whose current or prospective economic activity in Vermont for which
			to be primarily in one or more of the following sectors:	incentives are sought under this section is certified by the Secretary of Commerce and Community
			(i) advanced manufacturing; or	Development to be primarily research, design, engineering, development, or manufacturing
			(ii) information processing or information management services, including:	activity related to any one or more of the following:
			(I) computer hardware or software, and information and communication	(A)(i) waste management, including waste collection, treatment, disposal, reduction,
			technologies, such as high-level software languages, graphics hardware and software, speech and	recycling, and remediation;
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Vermont Employment Growth			optical character recognition, high-volume information storage and retrieval, and data	(B)(ii) natural resource protection and management, including water and wastewater
Incentive (VEGI) – Enhanced	G.2	_	compression;	purification and treatment, air pollution control and prevention or remediation, soil and
incentive for value-added		<u></u>	(II) technological applications that use biological systems, living organisms or	groundwater protection or remediation, and hazardous waste control or remediation;
businesses			derivatives thereof, to make or modify products or processes for specific use;	(C)(iii) energy efficiency or conservation;
			(III) custom computer programming services, such as writing, modifying, testing,	(D)(iv) clean energy, including solar, wind, wave, hydro, geothermal, hydrogen, fuel
			and supporting software to meet the needs of a particular customer;	cells, waste-to-energy, or biomass; and
			(IV) computer systems design services such as planning and designing computer	(C) "value-added business" means a person that is subject to income taxation in
			systems that integrate computer hardware, software, and communication technologies; and	Vermont and whose current or prospective economic activity in Vermont for which incentives are
			(V) computer facilities management services, such as providing on-site	sought under this section is certified by the Secretary of Commerce and Community Development
			management and operation of clients' computer systems or data processing facilities, or both.	• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •
			(2) A value-added business located in a labor market area in which the average annual	to be primarily in one or more of the following sectors:
				(i) advanced manufacturings on
			unemployment rate is at least 0.5 percentage points higher than the average annual unemployment	(i) advanced manufacturing; or
			rate for the State may submit an application for an enhanced incentive pursuant to this subsection.	(ii) information processing or information management services, including:
			(3) The Council shall consider and administer an application and award for an enhanced	(I) computer hardware or software, and information and communication
			incentive under this subsection pursuant to the provisions of this section, except that:	technologies, such as high-level software languages, graphics hardware and software, speech and
			(A) the "incentive ratio" pursuant to subdivision (a)(11) of this section shall be set at 85	optical character recognition, high-volume information storage and retrieval, and data
			percent; and	compression;
			(B) the "payroll threshold" pursuant to subdivision (a)(17) of this section shall be	(II) technological applications that use biological systems, living organisms or
			deemed to be 50 percent of the expected average industry payroll growth as determined by the	derivatives thereof, to make or modify products or processes for specific use;
			cost-benefit model.	(III) custom computer programming services, such as writing, modifying, testing,
			COST-DELICITE HIUGEI.	and supporting software to meet the needs of a particular customer;
				and supporting software to meet the needs of a particular customer;

				(IV) computer systems design services such as planning and designing computer systems that integrate computer hardware, software, and communication technologies; and (V) computer facilities management services, such as providing on-site management and operation of clients' computer systems or data processing facilities, or both. (2) Any application for a Vermont employment growth incentive under this section for an a value-added business or environmental technology business shall be considered and administered pursuant to all provisions of this section, except that: (A) the "incentive ratio" pursuant to subdivision (a)(11) of this section shall be set at 90 percent; and (B) the "payroll threshold" pursuant to subdivision (a)(17) of this section shall be deemed to be 20 percent of the expected average industry payroll growth as determined by the cost-benefit model.
Vermont Employment Growth Incentive (VEGI) – codifying program cap currently in session law	G.2	72	As Passed House and Senate	As Passed House and Senate
Vermont Employment Growth Incentive (VEGI) – eliminating program caps currently in session law	G.3	73	As Passed House and Senate	As Passed House and Senate
Vermont Employment Growth Incentive (VEGI) – conforming change to Vermont Training Program	G .4	<mark>74</mark>	As Passed House and Senate	As Passed House and Senate
Employee Relocation Tax Credit Study	G.5	•	Sec. G.5. EMPLOYEE RELOCATION TAX CREDIT; STUDY COMMITTEE; REPORT (a) Creation. There is created an Employee Relocation Study Committee to research and develop one or more incentive programs to encourage employees who are qualified for high-demand, unfilled positions within Vermont businesses, to relocate to Vermont. (b) Membership. The Committee shall be composed of the following members: (1) one current member of the House of Representatives appointed by the Speaker of the House; (2) one current member of the Senate appointed by the Committee on Committees; (3) one member who represents the interests of the regional development corporations, appointed by the Governor; (4) one member who represents the interests of private business appointed by the Speaker of the House; (5) one member who represents the interests of private business appointed by the Committee on Committees; and (6) the Secretary of Commerce and Community Development or designee. (c) Powers and duties. The Committee shall study potential incentive programs, tax credits, or other mechanisms, to encourage employee relocation including the following issues: (1) eligibility criteria for employees, employers, and employment positions; (2) amount and conditions for incentives or credits; (3) distribution of incentives or credits by region, employer, and by State-level or regional-level grantors; and (4) data, and a mechanism for collecting data, to measure the effectiveness of any proposed program.	Sec. G.5. EMPLOYEE RECRUITMENT AND RETENTION STUDY COMMITTEE; REPORT (a) Creation. There is created an Employee Recruitment and Retention Study Committee to research and develop one or more incentive programs to recruit employees who are qualified for high demand, unfilled positions within Vermont businesses, to relocate to and remain in Vermont. (b) Membership. The Committee shall be composed of the following members: (1) one current member of the House of Representatives appointed by the Speaker of the House; (2) one current member of the Senate appointed by the Committee on Committees; (3) one member who represents the interests of the regional development corporations, appointed by the Governor; (4) one member who represents the interests of private business appointed by the Speaker of the House; (5) one member who represents the interests of private business appointed by the Committee on Committees; and (6) the Secretary of Commerce and Community Development (c) Powers and duties. The Committee shall study potential incentive programs, tax credits, or other mechanisms, to encourage employee recruitment and retention including the following issues: (1) eligibility criteria for employees, employers, and employment positions; (2) amount and conditions for incentives or credits; (3) distribution of incentives or credits by region, employer, and by State level or regional level grantors; and (4) data, and a mechanism for collecting data, to measure the effectiveness of any proposed

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			(d) Assistance. The Committee shall have the administrative, technical, and legal assistance of the Agency of Commerce and Community Development. (e) Report. On or before January 15, 2016, the Committee shall submit a report to the House Committee on Commerce and Economic Development and the Senate Committee on Economic Development, Housing and General Affairs with its findings and any recommendations for legislative action. (f) Meetings. (l) The Agency of Commerce and Community Development shall call the first meeting of the Committee, to occur on or before September 1, 2015. (2) The Committee shall select a chair from among its members at the first meeting. (3) A majority of the membership shall constitute a quorum. (4) The Committee shall cease to exist on January 16, 2016. (g) Reimbursement. (1) For attendance at meetings during adjournment of the General Assembly, legislative members of the Committee shall be entitled to per diem compensation and reimbursement of expenses pursuant to 2 V.S.A. § 406 for no more than four meetings. (2) Other members of the Committee who are not employees of the State of Vermont and who are not otherwise compensated or reimbursed for their attendance shall be entitled to per diem compensation and reimbursement of expenses pursuant to 32 V.S.A. § 1010 for no more than four meetings.	program: (d) Assistance. The Committee shall have the administrative, technical, and legal assistance of the Agency of Commerce and Community Development. (e) Report. On or before January 15, 2016, the Committee shall submit a report to the House Committee on Commerce and Economic Development and the Senate Committee on Economic Development. Housing and General Affairs with its findings and any recommendations for legislative action. (f) Meetings: (1) The Agency of Commerce and Community Development shall call the first meeting of the Committee, to occur on or before September 1, 2015. (2) The Committee shall select a chair from among its members at the first meeting. (3) A majority of the membership shall constitute a quorum. (4) The Committee shall cease to exist on January 16, 2016. (g) Reimbursement. (1) For attendance at meetings during adjournment of the General Assembly, legislative members of the Committee shall be entitled to per diem compensation and reimbursement of expenses pursuant to 2 V.S.A. § 406 for no more than four meetings. (2) Other members of the Committee who are not employees of the State of Vermont and who are not otherwise compensated or reimbursed for their attendance shall be entitled to per diem compensation and reimbursement of expenses pursuant to 32 V.S.A. § 1010 for no more than four meetings.
Down Payment Assistance Program – Findings	G.6	-	As Passed House	As Passed House – Contingent on Limited Funding of \$125,000 from Vermont Enterprise Fund
Down Payment Assistance Program – Authorization	G.7	-	As Passed House	As Passed House – Contingent on Limited Funding of \$125,000 from Vermont Enterprise Fund
Pre-Written Software Accessed Remotely (Cloud Tax)	ı	G.8	Sec. G.8. PREWRITTEN SOFTWARE ACCESSED REMOTELY Charges for the right to access remotely prewritten software shall not be considered charges for tangible personal property under 32 V.S.A. § 9701(7).	Sec. G.8. PREWRITTEN SOFTWARE ACCESSED REMOTELY Charges for the right to access remotely prewritten software shall not be considered charges for tangible personal property under 32 V.S.A. § 9701(7).
Wood Products Manufacturer Incentive	G.9	•	As Passed House	As Passed House
Funds Transfer from Vermont Enterprise Fund to General Fund	G.13	G.11	Sec. G.13. FUNDS TRANSFER The amount of \$725,000.00 is transferred from the Vermont Enterprise Fund created in 2014 Acts and Resolves No. 179, Sec. E.100.5 to the General Fund for the purpose of providing funding for costs incurred in fiscal year 2016 pursuant to this act. Sec. G.13. Sec. E.100.5(h) of 2014 Acts and Resolves No. 179 (Vermont Enterprise Fund) is amended to read: (h) This section shall sunset on June 30, 2016 2017 and any remaining balance in the Fund shall be transferred to the General Fund.	Sec. G.11. FUNDS TRANSFER The amount of \$125,000.00 is transferred from the Vermont Enterprise Fund created in 2014 Acts and Resolves No. 179, Sec. E.100.5 to the General Fund for the purpose of providing funding for the Down Payment Assistance Program in Sec. G.7 of this act.
Codification of Vermont Enterprise Fund	-	G.12	Sec. G.12. 10 V.S.A. § 9 is added to read: § 9. VERMONT ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT ENTERPRISE FUND	Sec. G.12. 10 V.S.A. § 9 is added to read: § 9. VERMONT ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT ENTERPRISE FUND

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			Sec. H.1. EFFECTIVE DATES	Sec. H.1. EFFECTIVE DATES
			(a) This section and the following sections shall take effect on passage:	(a) This section and the following sections shall take effect on passage:
			(1) Sec. A.3 (blockchain technology study);	(1) Sec. A.3 (blockchain technology study);
			(2) Sec. B.1 (Uniform Commercial Code, Article 4A);	(2) Sec. B.1 (Uniform Commercial Code, Article 4A);
			(3) Secs. C.1–C.2 (Vermont Strong Scholars);	(3) Secs. C.1–C.2 (Vermont Strong Scholars and Internship Initiative);
			(4) Sec. C.5 (Vermont Governor's Committee on Employment of People with Disabilities);	(4) Sec. C.4 (youth employment working group);
			(5) Secs. C.6–C.8 (Vermont ABLE Savings Program);	(5) Sec. C.5 (Vermont Governor's Committee on Employment of People with Disabilities);
			(6) Sec. C.9 (Medicaid for working people with disabilities);	(6) Secs. C.6–C.8 (Vermont ABLE Savings Program);
			(7) Sec. C.10 (Vermont career technical education report);	(7) Sec. C.9 (Medicaid for working people with disabilities);
			(8) Secs. D.5–D.6 (Domestic Export Program);	(8) Sec. C.10 (Vermont career technical education report);
			(9) Secs. E.1–E.2 (Vermont Economic Development Authority; green manufacture of	(9) Secs. D.5–D.6 (Domestic Export Program);
			•	(10) Secs. E.1–E.2 (Vermont Economic Development Authority; green manufacture of
			microbeads);	*
			(10) Sec. E.3 (extending sunset of Treasurer's credit facility for local investments and	microbeads);
			Treasurer's local investment advisory committee):	(11) Sec. E.3 (extending sunset of Treasurer's credit facility for local investments and
			(11) Sec. F.1 (deference to regional planning);	Treasurer's local investment advisory committee);
			(12) Secs. F.2–F.4 (Southern Vermont Economic Development Zone):	(12) Sec. F.1 (deference to regional planning);
			(13) Sec. F.5 (Act 250; implementation of settlement patterns criteria; criterion 9(L)); and	(13) Secs. F.2–F.4 (Southern Vermont Economic Development Zone);
			(14) Sec. F.9 (certificate of public good; methane digesters).	(14) Sec. F.5 (Act 250; implementation of settlement patterns criteria; criterion 9(L)); and
			(b) The following sections shall take effect on July 1, 2015:	(15) Sec. F.9 (certificate of public good; methane digesters).
			(1) Sec. A.1 (business rapid response to declared State disasters);	(b) The following sections shall take effect on July 1, 2015:
			(2) Sec. C.3 (Workforce Education and Training Fund revisions);	(1) Sec. A.1 (business rapid response to declared State disasters);
			(3) Secs. D.1–D.4 (Tourism and marketing initiative; appropriation);	(2) [Reserved.];
Effective Dates	H.1	100	(4) Sec. E.4 (increase in license exemption for commercial lending);	(3) Sec. C.3 (Workforce Education and Training Fund revisions);
			(5) Sec. F.6 (municipal land use; neighborhood development area);	(4) Secs. D.1-D.4 (Tourism and marketing initiative; appropriation);
			(6) Sec. F.7 (Act 250; primary agricultural soils);	(5) Sec. E.4 (increase in license exemption for commercial lending);
			(7) Sec. F.8 (conservation easements);	(6) Sec. F.6 (municipal land use; neighborhood development area);
			(8) Sec. G.5 (employee relocation tax credit study);	(7) Sec. F.7 (Act 250; primary agricultural soils);
			(9) Secs. G.6–G.7 (downpayment assistance program); and	(8) Sec. F.8 (conservation easements);
			(10) Sec. G.9 (wood products manufacturer incentive).	(9) Sec. G.5 (employee relocation tax credit study);
			(c)(1) In Sec. A.4, in 7 V.S.A. § 2, subdivisions (27) (definition; "special events permit"), (28)	(10) Secs. G.6–G.7 (downpayment assistance program); and
			(definition; "fourth-class license"), and (39) (definition, "public library or museum permit") shall	(11) Sec. G.9 (wood products manufacturer incentive).
			take effect on July 1, 2015. The remaining provisions of Sec. A.4 (alcoholic beverages;	(c)(1) In Sec. A.4, in 7 V.S.A. § 2, subdivisions (27) (definition; "special events permit"), (28)
			definitions) shall take effect on January 1, 2016.	(definition; "fourth-class license"), and (39) (definition, "public library or museum permit") shall
			(2) Sec. A.16 shall take effect on July 1, 2015.	take effect on July 1, 2015. The remaining provisions of Sec. A.4 (alcoholic beverages;
			(d) Secs. A.5–A.15 (fortified wines) shall take effect on January 1, 2016.	definitions) shall take effect on January 1, 2016.
			(e) Secs. B.2–B.9 (Uniform Commercial Code; Article 7) shall take effect on passage and	(2) Sec. A.16 shall take effect on July 1, 2015.
			shall apply as follows:	(d) Secs. A.5–A.15 (fortified wines) shall take effect on January 1, 2016.
			(1) This act shall apply to a document of title that is issued or a bailment that arises on or	(e) Secs. B.2–B.9 (Uniform Commercial Code; Article 7) shall take effect on passage and
			after the effective date of this act.	shall apply as follows:
			(2) This act does not apply to a document of title that is issued or a bailment that arises	(1) This act shall apply to a document of title that is issued or a bailment that arises on or
			before the effective date of this act even if the document of title or bailment would be subject to	after the effective date of this act.
			this act if the document of title had been issued or bailment had arisen on or after the effective	(2) This act does not apply to a document of title that is issued or a bailment that arises
			date of this act.	before the effective date of this act even if the document of title or bailment would be subject to
			(3) This act does not apply to a right of action that has accrued before the effective date of	this act if the document of title had been issued or bailment had arisen on or after the effective
			this act.	date of this act.
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(4) A document of title issued or a bailment that arises before the effective date of this act
and the rights, obligations, and interests flowing from that document or bailment are governed by
any statute or other rule amended or repealed by this act as if amendment or repeal had not
occurred and may be terminated, completed, consummated, or enforced under that statute or other
rule.
(f)(1) Notwithstanding 1 V.S.A. § 214, other than 32 V.S.A. § 5930b(c) (extension of time to
meet first or second year award targets), Secs. G.1–G.4 (Vermont Employment Growth Incentive)
shall take effect retroactively as of January 1, 2015;
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- shall take effect retroactively as of January 1, 2015;

 (2) In Sec. G.2, 32 V.S.A. § 5930b(c)(extension of time to meet first or second year award targets) shall take effect on July 1, 2015.
 - (g) Sec. G.10 (Vermont Enterprise Fund) shall take effect on July 1, 2015.
 - (h) Secs. A.2.A, A.2.B, and A.2.C (gun suppressors) shall take effect on July 2, 2015.

- (3) This act does not apply to a right of action that has accrued before the effective date of this act.
- (4) A document of title issued or a bailment that arises before the effective date of this act and the rights, obligations, and interests flowing from that document or bailment are governed by any statute or other rule amended or repealed by this act as if amendment or repeal had not occurred and may be terminated, completed, consummated, or enforced under that statute or other rule.
- (f)(1) Notwithstanding 1 V.S.A. § 214, other than 32 V.S.A. § 5930b(c) (extension of time to meet first or second year award targets), Secs. G.1–G.4 (Vermont Employment Growth Incentive) shall take effect retroactively as of January 1, 2015;
- (2) In Sec. G.2, 32 V.S.A. § 5930b(c)(extension of time to meet first or second year award targets) shall take effect on July 1, 2015.
- (g) Secs. G.12-G.13 (Vermont Enterprise Fund) shall take effect on July 1, 2015.
- (h) Sec. A.2. A, A.2.B, and A.2.C (gun suppressors) shall take effect on July 2, 2015.