

1 TO THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES:

2 The Committee on Human Services to which was referred House Bill No. 20
3 entitled “An act relating to licensed alcohol and drug abuse counselors as
4 participating providers in Medicaid” respectfully reports that it has considered
5 the same and recommends that the bill be amended by striking out all after the
6 enacting clause and inserting in lieu thereof the following:

7 Sec. 1. 26 V.S.A. § 3242 is added to read:

8 § 3242. MEDICAID PARTICIPATING PROVIDERS

9 (a) The Department of Vermont Health Access shall grant authorization to
10 a licensed alcohol and drug abuse counselor acting within the scope of his or
11 her practice to participate as a Medicaid provider to deliver clinical and case
12 coordination services to Medicaid beneficiaries consistent with federal law,
13 regardless of whether the counselor is a preferred provider.

14 (b) The Department shall amend Vermont’s Medicaid State Plan as
15 necessary to comply with subsection (a) of this section.

16 Sec. 2. EFFECTIVE DATE

17 This act shall take effect on October 1, 2015.

18 (Committee vote: _____)

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20 Representative _____

21 FOR THE COMMITTEE`