

S.139 Conference Committee – DRAFT status of sections

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Subject	Status	Comments
All-payer model	Closed	House accepted Senate proposal
Pharmacy benefit managers	Closed	Same language in both
Notice of hospital observation status	Closed	Same language in both
Vermont Health Care Innovation Project updates	Closed	Same language in both
Reducing duplication of services; report	Closed	Same language in both
Exchange cost-sharing subsidies	Open	
Increase for Medicaid primary care providers	Open	
Blueprint for Health increases	Open	
AHEC - loan repayment	Closed	Same State dollars in both; use \$667,111 (gross) from Senate bill
All-payer waiver, rate-setting	Open	Both bills appropriate \$862,767 (gross); version of language depends on budget
Rate increases for other Medicaid providers	Open	If included, add DVHA home health language?
Green Mountain Care Board positions	Closed	Same language in both
Office of the Health Care Advocate	Closed	Same language in both
Rate increases for independent mental health professionals	Open	If included, add substance abuse treatment providers?
Intent regarding rate increases for dental services	Open	
Global Commitment appropriation	Open	
Consumer information and price transparency	Closed	New sections combine language from both bills
Universal Primary Care	Closed	House accepted Senate version
Green Mountain Care Board duties	Closed	House accepted Senate version
Green Mountain Care Board rate-setting authority	Closed	Same language in both

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Vermont Information Technology Leaders (VITL)	Closed	With additional language re VITL advertising ban
Referral registry	Closed	Senate accepted House proposal
Ambulance reimbursement	Closed	Same language in both
Direct enrollment in Exchange plans	Closed	Same language in both
Presuit mediation in medical malpractice claims	Closed	House accepted Senate version
Blueprint for Health report	Closed	Senate accepted House proposal
Preventable illnesses related to obesity	Closed	Deleted
Provider payment parity	Open	Proposed language combines with section on differential payments to providers
Payment reform and differential payments to providers	Open	Proposed language combines with section on provider payment parity
Independent analysis of Exchange alternatives	Open	
Vermont Health Connect Reports	Closed	House accepted Senate version
Independent review of Vermont Health Connect	Closed	House accepted Senate version
Alternatives to Vermont Health Connect	Open	
Cigarette tax	Open	
Meals and rooms tax	Open	
Sales tax on soft drinks and candy	Open	
Nonresidential education property tax rate	Open	
Revenue from tax on electronic cigarettes	Open	
Displays of tobacco products and electronic cigarettes	Open	
Prohibitions on use of electronic cigarettes	Open	
Medicaid coverage for primary care telemedicine	Open	
Telemedicine implementation report	Open	

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Large group insurance market	Closed	House accepted Senate proposal
Public employees' health benefits	Closed	House accepted Senate proposal
Repurposing excess hospital funds	Open	
Provider rate-setting in Medicaid	Closed	
Green Mountain Care Board review of designated agency budgets	Closed	House accepted Senate proposal
Effect of Medicaid rate increase for designated agencies	Open	Senate has proposed alternative language
Transferring Department of Financial Regulation (DFR) duties	Closed	House accepted Senate proposal
Repeals	Closed	House accepted Senate proposal
Effective dates	Open	