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MEMORANDUM

TO: Representative Ann Pugh, Chair, House Committee on Human Services

FROM: Hal Cohen, Secretary, Agency of Human Services - State of VT 

DATE: Monday, April 11, 2016

SUBJECT: VT Council for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing

We want to assure the House Human Services Committee that the creation of the Vermont Council for the Deaf, Hard of Hearing and DeafBlind will not involve a new funding request from the Agency of Human Services (AHS). Currently, AHS has been funding interpreters for full meetings of the Council. We have absorbed those costs within our existing budget and do not require additional funds to support the functioning of the Council as proposed by S.66.