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2	The Committee on Economic Development, Housing and General Affairs to
3	which was referred House Bill No. 824 entitled "An act relating to the
4	adoption of occupational safety and health rules and standards" respectfully
5	reports that it has considered the same and recommends that the Senate
6	propose to the House that the bill be amended in Sec. 1, 21 V.S.A. § 204, by
7	striking out striking out Sec. 1 in its entirety and inserting in lieu thereof a new
8	Sec. 1 to read as follows:
9	Sec. 1. 21 V.S.A. § 204 is amended to read:
10	§ 204. RULES AND PROCEDURE
11	(a)(1)(A) Unless the Commissioner has adopted or elects to adopt a rule or
12	standard that exceeds the corresponding federal rule or standard, whenever the
13	federal Occupational Safety and Health Administration promulgates a rule or
14	standard related to safety or health, the Commissioner shall adopt a
15	substantially identical rule or standard to take effect 180 days after the
16	corresponding federal rule or standard is promulgated.
17	(B) The Commissioner shall provide at least 90 days' advanced
18	public notice of the adoption of rules and standards related to safety and health
19	pursuant to this subdivision (1).

1	(C) The provisions of 3 V.S.A. chapter 25 shall not apply to rules and
2	standards related to safety and health that are adopted pursuant to this
3	subdivision (1).
4	(2) Chapter 25 of Title 3 Except as otherwise provided in subdivision
5	(1) of this subsection, 3 V.S.A. chapter 25, relating to administrative
6	procedure, shall apply to this chapter and the VOSHA Code, including any
7	rules and standards related to safety and health that are adopted by the
8	Commissioner and exceed the corresponding rules or standards promulgated
9	by the federal Occupational Safety and Health Administration.
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13	(Committee vote:)
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15	Senator
16	FOR THE COMMITTEE