

**STATUTORY AUTHORITY CHANGE FOR HROC.** The first is language that will give the Health Reform Oversight Committee additional capacity to consider other health care issues that are closely linked to the cost and availability of care. We hope to amend the statutory charge of the Health of 32 V.S.A. § 692, to include the following language (c) in red:

(a) When the General Assembly is adjourned, the Committee shall provide legislative oversight and review of revenue collection, expenditures, and planning related to health care reform efforts in Vermont.

(b) When the General Assembly is adjourned during fiscal year 2015, the Commissioner of Vermont Health Access shall provide monthly updates regarding Vermont Health Benefit Exchange operations, enrollment data, coverage status, customer support, and Exchange website functionality.

(c) When the General Assembly is adjourned during the fiscal year 2016, the Committee shall review existing expenditures on the treatment of preventable illnesses related to obesity, including costs borne by the private sector, and shall survey existing and proposed policy measures to reduce the incidence of obesity in Vermont.

~~(e)~~ (d) Effective on January 1, 2015, all reports previously submitted to the Health Care Oversight Committee shall be submitted to the Health Reform Oversight Committee.

**RESTORE FUNDING TO CHAMPPS GRANTS.** The second is a request to restore the cut proposed by the Administration of \$300,000 to fund the CHAMPPS (Coordinated Healthy Activity Motivation and Prevention Program), obesity prevention community grants. These grants are administered by the Vermont Department of Health, and are the state's only investment in addressing the obesity epidemic. They go to communities throughout Vermont to build and implement comprehensive health and wellness projects to promote healthy behavior - including better nutrition, increased physical activity, and disease prevention.