

1 TO THE HONORABLE SENATE:

2 The Committee on Natural Resources and Energy to which was referred
3 House Bill No. 674 entitled “An act relating to public notice of wastewater
4 discharges” respectfully reports that it has considered the same and
5 recommends that the Senate propose to the House that the bill be amended as
6 follows:

7 First: In Sec. 1, in 10 V.S.A. § 1295, by striking out subsection (b) in its
8 entirety and inserting in lieu thereof the following:

9 (b) Public alert. An operator of a wastewater treatment facility or the
10 operator’s delegate shall as soon as possible, but no longer than one hour from
11 discovery of an untreated discharge from the wastewater treatment facility,
12 post on a publicly accessible electronic network, mobile application, or other
13 electronic media designated by the Secretary an alert informing the public of
14 the untreated discharge and its location, except that if the operator or his or her
15 delegate does not have telephone or Internet service at the location where he or
16 she is working to control or stop the untreated discharge, the operator or his or
17 her delegate may delay posting the alert until the time that the untreated
18 discharge is controlled or stopped, provided that the alert shall be posted no
19 later than four hours from discovery of the untreated discharge.

20 Second: In Sec. 3, 18 V.S.A. § 1222, in subdivision (a)(1), after
21 “photosynthesis,” and before the period, by striking out “microcystin, anatoxin,

1 and cylindrospermopsin” and inserting in lieu thereof microcystis, anabaena,
2 and aphanizomenon

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4 (Committee vote: _____)

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Senator _____

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FOR THE COMMITTEE