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2 Senators Kitchel and Sears move that the bill be amended as follows:

3 First: In Sec. 1, in 33 V.S.A. § 6961, by striking out subdivision (a)(4) in
4 its entirety and inserting in lieu thereof the following:

5 (4) to recommend legislation, rules, policies, procedures, practices,
6 training, and coordination of services to promote interagency collaboration and
7 prevent future abuse- and neglect-related fatalities.

8 Second: By adding a new section to be Sec. 2 to read as follows:

9 Sec. 2. 33 V.S.A. § 6905 is amended to read:

10 § 6905. MANDATORY REPORTING TO AND POSTMORTEM

11 INVESTIGATION OF DEATHS BY THE OFFICE OF THE CHIEF

12 MEDICAL EXAMINER

13 When a person making a report of suspected abuse, neglect, or exploitation
14 of a vulnerable adult has reasonable cause to believe that a vulnerable adult
15 died as a result of abuse or neglect, the Department shall notify the Office of
16 the Chief Medical Examiner immediately.

17 and by renumbering the existing Sec. 2, effective date, to be Sec. 3