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2	Introduced by Representatives Beck of St. Johnsbury and Chesnut-Tangerman
3	of Middletown Springs
4	Referred to Committee on
5	Date:
6	Subject: Legislative; Executive; Government Accountability Committee; Chief
7	Performance Officer; State Outcomes Report
8	Statement of purpose of bill as introduced: This bill proposes to amend the
9	charge of the Government Accountability Committee and to amend the State's
10	population-level outcomes set forth in the State Outcomes Report.
11 12	An act relating to the Government Accountability Committee and the State Outcomes Report
13	It is hereby enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Vermont:
14	Sec. 1. 2 V.S.A. § 970 is amended to read:
15	§ 970. GOVERNMENT ACCOUNTABILITY COMMITTEE
16	(a) There is created a joint legislative Government Accountability
17	Committee. The Committee shall recommend mechanisms for State
18	government to be more forward-thinking, strategic, and responsive to the
19	long-term needs of Vermonters. In pursuit of this goal, the Committee shall:

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agency and department.

1	(1) Propose areas for the review of statutory mandates for public
2	services that may result in service duplication and to review the alignment of
3	financial and staff resources required to carry out those mandates.
4	(2) Review the legislative process for the creation and elimination of
5	positions and programs and make recommendations for enhancements to the
6	process that support greater long-range planning and responsiveness to the
7	needs of Vermonters.
8	(3) Recommend strategies and tools that permit all branches of State
9	government to prioritize the investment of federal, State, and local resources in
10	programs that respond to the needs of the citizens of Vermont in a
11	collaborative, cost-effective, and efficient manner. Pursuant to those strategies
12	and tools, functions that are not critical to an agency or department mission
13	may be recommended for combination or elimination, while other functions
14	may be optimized.
15	(4) Review strategies with similar aims in other jurisdictions in the
16	context of federal, state, and local relationships. [Repealed.]
17	(5) Determine that data-based program-level performance measures that

demonstrate program results have been adopted for the programs in each

1	(6) Determine whether each agency and department is taking actions to
2	achieve the population-level outcomes set forth in 3 V.S.A. § 2311 that are
3	relevant to that agency or department, as shown by the manner in which the
4	agency's or department's program-level performance measures inform
5	population-level indicators.
6	(7) Ensure that the report set forth in 3 V.S.A. § 2311 regarding
7	population-level outcomes and indicators and each agency's or department's
8	program-level performance measures are transparent and readily accessible to
9	the public via electronic publication.
10	(8) Assess the effectiveness of population-level indicators in measuring
11	progress in achieving population-level outcomes, and annually review
12	population-level indicators in the context of new data development.
13	(9) Approve the addition, amendment, or elimination of population-level
14	indicators in accordance with 3 V.S.A. § 2311(c).
15	(10) [Repealed.]
16	(11) Assess whether and how the State of Vermont should provide funds
17	to nonprofit organizations, including whether grants to or contracts with

nonprofit organizations should require results-based accountability.

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1	(c) The Committee shall elect two co-chairs and a clerk from among its
2	members and shall adopt rules of procedure. The Co-Chairs shall be a House
3	and a Senate member. The Committee shall keep minutes of its meetings and
4	maintain a file thereof. A quorum shall consist of five members.
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6	Sec. 2. 3 V.S.A. § 2311 is amended to read:
7	§ 2311. CHIEF PERFORMANCE OFFICER; ANNUAL <u>STATE</u>
8	OUTCOMES REPORT ON POPULATION LEVEL OUTCOMES
9	USING INDICATORS
10	(a) Report. Annually, on or before September 30, the Chief Performance
11	Officer within the Agency of Administration shall report submit to the General
12	Assembly on a State Outcomes Report demonstrating the State's progress in
13	reaching the population-level outcomes for each area of Vermont's quality of
14	life set forth in subsection (b) of this section by providing data for the
15	population-level indicators that are approved pursuant to the process set forth
16	in subsection (c) of this section.
17	(b) Vermont population-level quality of life outcomes.
18	(1) Vermont has a prosperous economy.
19	(2) Vermonters are healthy.
20	(3) Vermont's environment is clean and sustainable.

1	(4) Vermont's communities are safe and supportive Vermont is a safe
2	place to live.
3	(5) Vermont's families are safe, nurturing, stable, and supported.
4	(6) Vermont's children and young people achieve their potential,
5	including:
6	(A) Pregnant women and young people thrive.
7	(B) Children are ready for school.
8	(C) Children succeed in school.
9	(D) Youths choose healthy behaviors.
10	(E) Youths successfully transition to adulthood.
11	(7) Vermont's elders and people with disabilities and people with
12	mental conditions live with dignity and independence in settings they prefer.
13	(8) <u>Vermonters with disabilities live with dignity and in settings they</u>
14	<u>prefer.</u>
15	(9) Vermont has open, effective, and inclusive government with a
16	supported, motivated, and accountable State workforce.
17	(9)(10) Vermont's State infrastructure meets the needs of Vermonters,
18	the economy, and the environment.
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20	Sec. 3. EFFECTIVE DATE
21	This act shall take effect on passage.