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S. 253

An act relating to Vermont’s adoption of the Interstate Medical Licensure Compact

Favorable with Amendment

H. 925

An act relating to approval of amendments to the charter of the City of Barre

Rep. Lewis of Berlin, for the Committee on Government Operations, recommends the bill be amended as follows:

In Sec. 2, 24 App. V.S.A. chapter 1, in subchapter 6, § 605, in subsection (b), following “administered by the Department of Taxes, in accordance with” by striking out “State law governing such State tax” and inserting therein “24 V.S.A. § 138” before the period

and by striking out subsection (c) in its entirety and relettering the remaining subsection to be alphabetically correct

(Committee Vote: 7-0-4)

Rep. Wright of Burlington, for the Committee on Ways and Means, recommends the bill ought to pass when amended as recommended by the Committee on Government Operations.

(Committee Vote: 9-1-1)

Senate Proposal of Amendment

H. 271

An act relating to administration of the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program

The Senate proposes to the House to amend the bill as follows:

First: In Sec. 1, 33 V.S.A. § 1701(a), in the last sentence, by inserting a comma between the words “nutritious” and “safe”

Second: In Sec. 1, 33 V.S.A. § 1703(a), by striking out subdivision (2) in its entirety and inserting in lieu thereof a new subdivision (2) to read as follows:
(2) Within 90 days after a change described pursuant to subdivision (1) of this subsection, the Department shall provide an analysis to the Chairs of any anticipated administrative costs to the Department and any impacts on SNAP applicants and participants as a result of the change.

(For text see House Journal January 31, 2018)

NOTICE CALENDAR
Favorable with Amendment
S. 164

An act relating to establishing the Unused Prescription Drug Repository Program

Rep. Pajala of Londonderry, for the Committee on Human Services, recommends that the House propose to the Senate that the bill be amended as follows:

In Sec. 1, unused prescription drug repository program; feasibility analysis; report, in subsection (b), by striking out the words “House Committee on Health Care” and inserting in lieu thereof the words “House Committees on Health Care and on Human Services”

(Committee vote: 10-0-1)

(For text see Senate Journal February 9, 2018)

S. 182

An act relating to the investment authority of municipal trustees of public funds

Rep. Gannon of Wilmington, for the Committee on Government Operations, recommends that the House propose to the Senate that the bill be amended as follows:

First: In Sec. 1, 24 V.S.A. § 2432, in subsection (d), by striking the subsection in its entirety and inserting in lieu thereof the following:

(d) The trustees may delegate management and investment of funds under their charge to the extent that is prudent under the terms of the trust or endowment, and in accordance with 14 V.S.A. § 3415 (delegation of management and investment functions) of the Uniform Prudent Management of Institutional Funds Act. Notwithstanding the limitations on investments set forth in subsection (b) of this section, an agent exercising a delegated management or investment function may invest the funds in a publicly traded security that is:

(1) registered with the Securities and Exchange Commission pursuant to
15 U.S.C. § 78l, and listed on a national securities exchange:

(2) issued by an investment company registered pursuant to 15 U.S.C. § 80a–8;

(3) a corporate bond registered as an offering with the Securities and Exchange Commission pursuant to 15 U.S.C. § 78l and issued by an entity whose stock is a publicly traded security:

(4) a municipal security; or

(5) a security issued, insured, or guaranteed by the United States.

Second: In Sec. 3, 18 V.S.A. § 5384, in subsection (b), in subdivision (3), by striking the subdivision in its entirety and inserting in lieu thereof the following:

(3) The treasurer, selectboard, or trustees of public funds may delegate management and investment of town cemetery funds to the extent that it is prudent under the terms of the trust or endowment, and in accordance with the Uniform Prudent Management of Institutional Funds Act, 14 V.S.A. § 3415 (delegation of management and investment functions) of the Uniform Prudent Management of Institutional Funds Act. An Notwithstanding the limitations on investments set forth in this subsection, an agent exercising a delegated management or investment function may invest cemetery funds only in the securities enumerated in this section in a publicly traded security that is:

(A) registered with the Securities and Exchange Commission pursuant to 15 U.S.C. § 78l, and listed on a national securities exchange;

(B) issued by an investment company registered pursuant to 15 U.S.C. § 80a–8;

(C) a corporate bond registered as an offering with the Securities and Exchange Commission pursuant to 15 U.S.C. § 78l and issued by an entity whose stock is a publicly traded security:

(D) a municipal security; or

(E) a security issued, insured, or guaranteed by the United States.

(Committee vote: 9-0-2)

(For text see Senate Journal February 6, 2018)

S. 282

An act relating to health care providers participating in Vermont’s Medicaid program

Rep. Dunn of Essex, for the Committee on Health Care, recommends that the House propose to the Senate that the bill be amended as follows:
First: In Sec. 1, Medicaid provider screening and enrollment, by striking out subsection (b) in its entirety and inserting in lieu thereof a new subsection (b) to read as follows:

(b) In the event that the Department of Vermont Health Access will be unable to meet the 60-day time frame required by subsection (a) of this section by July 1, 2019, the Commissioner of Vermont Health Access shall convene a meeting of interested stakeholders, including organizations representing health care providers and health care facilities, on or before February 1, 2019, to provide an update regarding the status of the Department’s provider screening and enrollment efforts, including identifying the remaining barriers and any additional resources needed for the Department to be able to process applications within 60 days following receipt and providing an alternative date by which the Department expects to begin meeting the 60-day time frame requirement.

Second: In Sec. 2, Medicaid participating provider concerns; report, by striking out “; REPORT” in the section heading and by striking out subsection (b) in its entirety and inserting in lieu thereof a new subsection (b) to read as follows:

(b) On or before December 15, 2018, the Commissioner of Vermont Health Access shall convene a meeting of interested stakeholders to provide a summary of the Department’s responses to participating providers’ concerns regarding the Medicaid program and its administration and of the Department’s findings regarding the potential for making changes to the Medicaid fraud and abuse statutes and for creating an exception to recoupment as described in subsection (a) of this section.

(Committee vote: 10-0-1)

(For text see Senate Journal February 28, 2018)

Favorable

S. 237

An act relating to providing representation to needy persons concerning immigration matters

Rep. Colburn of Burlington, for the Committee on Judiciary, recommends that the bill ought to pass in concurrence.

(Committee Vote: 8-2-1)

(For text see Senate Journal February 14, 2018)
Ordered to Lie

H. 167
An act relating to alternative approaches to addressing low-level illicit drug use.
Pending Question: Shall the House concur in the Senate proposal of amendment?

H. 219
An act relating to the Vermont spaying and neutering program.
Pending Question: Shall the House concur in the Senate proposal of amendment?

S. 267
An act relating to timing of a decree nisi in a divorce proceeding.
Pending Question: Second reading?

Consent Calendar

Concurrent Resolutions for Adoption Under Joint Rule 16a
The following concurrent resolutions have been introduced for approval by the Senate and House and will be adopted automatically unless a Senator or Representative requests floor consideration before today’s adjournment. Requests for floor consideration in either chamber should be communicated to the Secretary’s office and/or the House Clerk’s office, respectively. For text of resolutions, see Addendum to House Calendar and Senate Calendar of April 5, 2018.

H.C.R. 302
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Public Hearing

Public Hearing on H.196, An act relating to paid family leave, April 10, 2018, Room 11, 5:00-7:00 PM, Held by Senate Committee on Economic Development, Housing, and General Affairs