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2	Introduced by Representatives McCullough of Williston and Macaig of
3	Williston
4	Referred to Committee on
5	Date:
6	Subject: Taxation; sales tax; exemptions
7	Statement of purpose of bill as introduced: This bill proposes to exempt paper
8	hygienic products, including tissue paper, toilet paper, and diapers from the
9	sales and use tax. This bill further proposes to impose a \$5.00 occupancy
10	surcharge, 80 percent of which would go to the Clean Water Fund, and the
11	remaining revenue would go to the General Fund and Education Fund to
12	replace the revenue from the sales tax exemption.
13 14	An act relating to exempting paper hygienic products from the sales and use tax and establishing an occupancy surcharge
15	It is hereby enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Vermont:
16	Sec. 1. 32 V.S.A. § 9741 is amended to read:
17	§ 9741. SALES NOT COVERED
18	Retail sales and use of the following shall be exempt from the tax on retail
19	sales imposed under section 9771 of this title and the use tax imposed under
20	section 9773 of this title.

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2	(51) Paper hygienic products, including tissue paper, toilet paper, and
3	both child and adult diapers.
4	Sec. 2. 32 V.S.A. § 9241 is amended to read:
5	§ 9241. IMPOSITION OF TAX
6	(a) An operator shall collect a tax of nine percent of the rent of each
7	occupancy plus a \$5.00 surcharge for each night of the occupancy.
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9	Sec. 3. 32 V.S.A. § 9241a is added to read:
10	<u>§ 9241a. OCCUPANCY SURCHARGE FUNDING</u>
11	Notwithstanding any other provision of law, 80 percent of the receipts from
12	the occupancy surcharge imposed by section 9241 of this title shall be
13	allocated to the Clean Water Fund, with 13 percent to be allocated to the
14	General Fund, and seven percent to be allocated to the Education Fund.
15	Sec. 4. 10 V.S.A. § 1388 is amended to read:
16	§ 1388. CLEAN WATER FUND
17	(a) There is created a special fund to be known as the "Clean Water Fund"
18	to be administered by the Secretary of Administration. The Fund shall
19	consist of:

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1	(1) revenues dedicated for deposit into the Fund by the General
2	Assembly, including the Property Transfer Tax surcharge established under
3	32 V.S.A. § 9602a; and
4	(2) other gifts, donations, and impact fees received from any source,
5	public or private, dedicated for deposit into the Fund and approved by the
6	Secretary of Administration: and
7	(3) 80 percent of the receipts from the occupancy surcharge imposed by
8	<u>32 V.S.A. § 9241</u> .
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10	Sec. 5. EFFECTIVE DATE
11	This act shall take effect on July 1, 2017.