

Sec. X. BENEFIT CLIFF; REPORT

The Commissioner for Children and Families, in consultation with the Joint Fiscal Office, shall evaluate the State's public benefit structure and recommend methods for mitigating or eliminating the benefit cliffs experienced by working Vermonters receiving public assistance. On or before January 15, 2018, the Commissioner shall submit a report with the results of this evaluation to the House Committees on Human Services, on Commerce and Economic Development, and on Ways and Means and to the Senate Committees on Economic Development, Housing, and General Affairs, on Finance, and on Health and Welfare. The Commissioner may seek the assistance of the Office of Legislative Council in drafting a recommended legislative proposal arising out of the analysis conducted pursuant to this section.