

1 TO THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES:

2 The Committee on Health Care to which was referred Senate Bill No. 282  
3 entitled “An act relating to health care providers participating in Vermont’s  
4 Medicaid Program” respectfully reports that it has considered the same and  
5 recommends that the House propose to the Senate that the bill be amended as  
6 follows:

7 First: In Sec. 1, Medicaid provider screening and enrollment, by striking  
8 out subsection (b) in its entirety and inserting in lieu thereof a new subsection  
9 (b) to read as follows:

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

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

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

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(Committee vote: \_\_\_\_\_)

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