

1 TO THE HONORABLE SENATE:

2 The Committee on Judiciary to which was referred House Bill No. 25
3 entitled “An act relating to sexual assault survivors’ rights” respectfully reports
4 that it has considered the same and recommends that the Senate propose to the
5 House that the bill be amended by striking out all after the enacting clause and
6 inserting in lieu thereof the following:

7 Sec. 1. 13 V.S.A. § 3501 is amended to read:

8 § 3501. DEFINITIONS

9 (a) As used in this chapter:

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11 (7) “Weapon of mass destruction” means:

12 (A) a chemical warfare agent, weaponized biological or biologic
13 warfare agent, nuclear agent, or radiological agent; or

14 (B) any firearm possessed with the intent to inflict injury or death on
15 multiple persons.

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17 Sec. 2. 13 V.S.A. § 4003 is amended to read:

18 § 4003. CARRYING DANGEROUS WEAPONS

19 A person who carries or possesses a dangerous or deadly weapon, ~~openly or~~
20 ~~concealed, or with the intent or avowed purpose of injuring a fellow man, who~~
21 ~~carries a dangerous or deadly weapon within any state institution or upon the~~

1 ~~grounds or lands owned or leased for the use of such institution, without the~~
2 ~~approval of the warden or superintendent of the institution, to injure another~~
3 shall be imprisoned not more than two years or fined not more than ~~\$200.00~~
4 \$2,000.00, or both. It shall be a felony punishable by not more than 10 years
5 or a fine of \$25,000.00, or both, if the person intends to injure multiple
6 persons.

7 Sec. 3. 13 V.S.A. § 1703 is added to read:

8 § 1703. DOMESTIC TERRORISM

9 (a) As used in this section:

10 (1) “Domestic terrorism” shall mean threatening to engage in, engaging
11 in, or taking substantial steps to commit a violation of the criminal laws of this
12 State with the intent to:

13 (A) cause death or serious bodily injury to multiple people; or

14 (B) threaten any civilian population with mass destruction, mass
15 killings, or kidnapping.

16 (2) “Substantial step” shall mean conduct that is strongly corroborative
17 of the actor’s intent to complete the commission of the offense.

18 (b) A person who knowingly and willfully engages in an act of domestic
19 terrorism shall be imprisoned for not more than 20 years or fined not more than
20 \$50,000.00, or both.

1 Sec. 4. EFFECTIVE DATE

2 This act shall take effect on passage.

3 and that after passage the title of the bill be amended to read: “An act
4 relating to domestic terrorism”

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6 (Committee vote: _____)

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Senator _____

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FOR THE COMMITTEE