

1 TO THE HONORABLE SENATE:

2 The Committee on Health and Welfare to which was referred Senate Bill
3 No. 45 entitled “An act relating to providing meals to health care providers at
4 conferences” respectfully reports that it has considered the same and
5 recommends that the bill be amended by striking out all after the enacting
6 clause and inserting in lieu thereof the following:

7 Sec. 1. 18 V.S.A. § 4631a is amended to read:

8 § 4631a. EXPENDITURES BY MANUFACTURERS OF PRESCRIBED
9 PRODUCTS

10 (a) As used in this section:

11 (1) “Allowable expenditures” means:

12 (A) Payment to the sponsor of a significant educational, medical,
13 scientific, or policy-making conference or seminar, provided:

14 (i) the payment is not made directly to a health care professional
15 or pharmacist;

16 (ii) funding is used solely for bona fide educational purposes,
17 except that the sponsor may, in the sponsor’s discretion, apply some or all of
18 the funding to provide meals and other food for all conference participants; and

19 (iii) all program content is objective, free from industry control,
20 and does not promote specific products.

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1 Sec. 2. 18 V.S.A. § 4632 is amended to read:

2 § 4632. DISCLOSURE OF ALLOWABLE EXPENDITURES AND GIFTS
3 BY MANUFACTURERS OF PRESCRIBED PRODUCTS

4 (a)(1) Annually on or before April 1 of each year, every manufacturer of
5 prescribed products shall disclose to the ~~office of the attorney general~~ Office of
6 the Attorney General for the preceding calendar year the value, nature,
7 purpose, and recipient information of any allowable expenditure or gift
8 permitted under subdivision 4631a(b)(2) of this title to any health care provider
9 or to a member of the Green Mountain Care ~~board~~ Board established in chapter
10 220 of this title, except:

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12 (v) buffet meals, snacks, soft drinks, or coffee ~~or other snacks or~~
13 ~~refreshments at a booth at a~~ made generally available to all participants of a
14 large-scale conference or seminar or similar large-scale event;

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18 (Committee vote: _____)

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Senator _____

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FOR THE COMMITTEE