

1 TO THE HONORABLE SENATE:

2 The Committee on Finance to which was referred House Bill No. 904  
3 entitled “An act relating to miscellaneous agricultural subjects” recommends  
4 that the Senate propose to the House that the bill as amended by the Committee  
5 on Natural Resource and Energy be further amended as follows:

6 First: By adding Secs. 21a–21c to read as follows:

7 Sec. 21a. TRANSFER FROM CEDF TO GENERAL FUND; TAX  
8 EXPENDITURE; ADVANCED WOOD BOILERS

9 (a) Beginning July 1, 2018, the Clean Energy Development Fund quarterly  
10 shall calculate the foregone sales tax on advanced wood fired boilers resulting  
11 from the sales tax exemption under 32 V.S.A. § 9741(52) for advanced wood  
12 boilers. Beginning October 1, 2018, the Clean Energy Development Fund  
13 shall notify the Department of Taxes of the amount of sales tax foregone in the  
14 preceding calendar quarter resulting from the sales tax exemption under 32  
15 V.S.A. § 9741(52) for advanced wood boilers.

16 (b) In fiscal years 2019 and 2020, the Clean Energy Development Fund  
17 shall transfer from the Clean Energy Development Fund to the General Fund  
18 the amount of the tax expenditure resulting from the sales tax exemption under  
19 32 V.S.A. § 9741(52) on advanced wood boilers up to a maximum of  
20 \$200,000.00 for both fiscal years combined. The Department shall deposit 64  
21 percent of the monies transferred from the Clean Energy Development Fund

1 into the General Fund under 32 V.S.A. § 435 and 36 percent of the monies in  
2 the Education Fund under 16 V.S.A. § 4025.

3 Sec. 21b. DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SERVICE REPORT ON FUNDING  
4 OF THE CLEAN ENERGY DEVELOPMENT FUND

5 On or before January 15, 2019, the Department of Public Service, after  
6 consultation with the Agency of Commerce and Community Development, the  
7 Department of Forests, Parks, and Recreation, and renewable energy  
8 organizations, shall submit to the Senate Committees on Finance, on  
9 Appropriations, and on Natural Resources and Energy and the House  
10 Committees on Ways and Means, on Appropriations, and on Energy and  
11 Technology a recommended source of funding sufficient to sustainably fund  
12 the authorized uses of the Clean Energy Development Fund as provided under  
13 30 V.S.A. § 8015.

14 Sec. 21c. REPEAL

15 (a) 32 V.S.A. § 9741(52) (sales tax exemption for advanced wood boilers)  
16 shall be repealed on July 1, 2021.

17 (b) Sec. 21a of this act (transfer from CEDF) shall be repealed on July 1,  
18 2021.

19 Second: In Sec. 20, 32 V.S.A. § 9741, after “of this title” and before the  
20 period, by striking out , whether for residential or commercial use

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Senator \_\_\_\_\_

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FOR THE COMMITTEE