

1 TO THE HONORABLE SENATE:

2 The Committee on Government Operations to which was referred House
3 Bill No. 700 entitled “An act relating to the Open Meeting Law and meeting
4 minutes” respectfully reports that it has considered the same and recommends
5 that the Senate propose to the House that the bill be amended by striking out
6 Sec. 1 in its entirety and inserting in lieu thereof the following:

7 Sec. 1. 1 V.S.A. § 310 is amended to read:

8 § 310. DEFINITIONS

9 As used in this subchapter:

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11 (6) “Business day” means any calendar day except Saturday, Sunday, or
12 any day classified as a holiday under section 371 of this title.

13 Sec. 2. 1 V.S.A. § 312(b)(2) is amended to read:

14 (2) Minutes of all public meetings shall be matters of public record,
15 shall be kept by the clerk or secretary of the public body, and shall be available
16 for inspection by any person and for purchase of copies at cost upon request
17 after five ~~calendar~~ business days from the date of any meeting. Meeting
18 minutes shall be posted ~~no~~ not later than five ~~calendar~~ business days from the
19 date of the meeting to a website, if one exists, that the public body maintains or
20 has designated as the official website of the body. Except for draft minutes
21 that have been substituted with updated minutes, posted minutes shall not be

1 removed from the website sooner than one year from the date of the meeting
2 for which the minutes were taken.
3 and by renumbering the remaining section to be numerically correct.

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6 (Committee vote: _____)

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Senator _____

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FOR THE COMMITTEE