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Act No. 128 (H.650). Executive Branch; boards and commissions

An act relating to boards and commissions

This act repeals, merges, and amends the enabling law of various Executive Branch boards and commissions. Many provisions of this act were originally recommended by the temporary Sunset Advisory Commission, which was created in 3 V.S.A. § 268 to take testimony on and recommend whether the laws creating the State's boards and commissions should be amended or repealed.

- *Repeals.* The act repeals these five boards and commissions: Committee to Study the Effectiveness of the Juvenile Justice System in Reducing Crime and Recidivism (Sec. 1), Commission on Juvenile Justice (Secs. 2 and 3), Educational Opportunities Working Group (Sec. 4), Offender Work Programs Board (Secs. 9–12), and the Racing Commission (Secs. 15–19).
- *Mergers.* The act merges the Executive Committee to Advise the Director of the Vermont Blueprint for Health with the Blueprint for Health Expansion Design and Evaluation Committee (Secs. 7 and 8) and the Equipment Distribution Program Advisory Council with the Telecommunications Relay Service Advisory Council (Sec. 14).
- *Public Utility Commission reappointment process.* Sec. 13 allows the Governor to reappoint a non-Chair member of the Public Utility Commission with the advice and consent of the Senate, rather than requiring to the Governor to repeat the initial nomination process.
- *Revision of membership.* Sec. 20 adds a representative of the Vermont chapter of the Hearing Loss Association of America to the membership Vermont Deaf, Hard of Hearing, and DeafBlind Advisory Council.

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