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H.206

Introduced by Representatives Hooper of Montpelier and Kitzmiller of
Montpelier

Referred to Committee on

Date:

Subject: Municipal government; municipal charters; City of Montpelier;
amendments

Statement of purpose of bill as introduced: This bill proposes to approve an
amendment to the charter of the City of Montpelier.

An act relating to approval of an amendment to the charter of the City of
Montpelier regarding the regulation of nonreusable plastic products

It is hereby enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Vermont:

Sec. 1. CHARTER AMENDMENT APPROVAL

The General Assembly approves the amendment to the charter of the City
of Montpelier as set forth in this act. Voters approved the proposal of
amendment on November 6, 2018.

Sec. 2. 24 App. V.S.A. chapter 5, § 301 is amended to read:

§ 301. POWERS AND DUTIES OF CITY COUNCIL

1 (a) All powers of the City shall be vested in the City Council, except as
2 otherwise provided by law or this ~~chapter~~ charter, and the Council shall
3 perform all duties and obligations imposed on the City by law.

4 (b) In addition, the Council shall have general oversight of the affairs and
5 property of the City not committed by law to the care of any particular officer,
6 including the following powers and duties:

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8 (2) Promote and safeguard the public health, safety, comfort, or general
9 welfare by the adoption, amendment, or repeal of ordinances and regulations,
10 including the following subjects:

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12 (B) Regulation or prohibition of any condition, activity, enterprise,
13 public nuisance, or matter concerning promotion of public health, safety, and
14 welfare as permitted by the general law of the State or this charter.

15 (C) Licensing of any activity or enterprise as permitted by general
16 law of the State or this charter.

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18 (9) Regulate, license, or prohibit, within the boundaries of the City,
19 point-of-sale distribution of nonreusable plastic bags, nonreusable plastic
20 straws, and similar plastic products that are not reusable, and define what
21 constitutes reusable in this context.

1 Sec. 3. EFFECTIVE DATE

2 This act shall take effect on passage.