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Introduced by Representatives Kornheiser of Brattleboro, Coffey of Guilford,  
Redmond of Essex, White of Hartford, and Wood of Waterbury

Referred to Committee on

Date:

Subject: Commerce and trade; business organizations

Statement of purpose of bill as introduced: This bill proposes to require the  
Secretary of State to collect demographic information about Vermont  
businesses.

An act relating to collecting demographic information about Vermont  
businesses

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

Sec. 1. 11 V.S.A. § 1624 is amended to read:

§ 1624. FORMS; COLLECTION OF DEMOGRAPHIC INFORMATION

(a) The Secretary of State shall formulate forms for the returns and shall,  
on request, furnish such forms by mail or otherwise to persons, copartnerships,  
associations, or corporations subject to the provisions of this chapter.

(b) The Secretary shall require that each business organization that registers  
to do business in this State shall provide information identifying the race and  
gender of:

1           (1) each individual who has an ownership interest in the organization of  
2           10 percent or more;

3           (2) each individual who is an executive officer; and

4           (3) each member of the organization's board of directors, board of  
5           managers, or similar governing body.

6           Sec. 2. EFFECTIVE DATE

7           This act shall take effect on July 1, 2020.