

1 TO THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES:

2 The Committee on Energy and Technology to which was referred House
3 Bill No. 692 entitled “An act relating to providing mandatory cybersecurity
4 awareness training to municipal employees” respectfully reports that it has
5 considered the same and recommends that the bill be amended by striking out
6 all after the enacting clause and inserting in lieu thereof the following:

7 Sec. 1. 3 V.S.A. § 3305 is added to read:

8 § 3305. MUNICIPAL CYBERSECURITY AWARENESS TRAINING

9 (a) Inventory and notice.

10 (1) On July 1 each year, the Secretary of Digital Services shall inventory
11 and identify any municipality that has access to add, delete, update, or change
12 data in a State-owned information technology system.

13 (2) Not more than 30 days after the Secretary completes the inventory,
14 the Agency of Digital Services shall send a notice to a municipality identified
15 in subdivision (1) of this subsection stating that any employees that access a
16 State-owned information technology system are required to complete the
17 training described in subsection (b) of this section.

18 (b) Cybersecurity awareness training.

19 (1) Except as provided in subdivision (2) of this section, the Agency of
20 Digital Services shall provide cybersecurity awareness training to the
21 employees of any municipality identified in subdivision (a)(1) of this section.

1 (2) The Office of the Secretary of State shall provide cybersecurity
2 awareness training to a town clerk or assistant clerk in connection with the
3 statutory election responsibilities of a town clerk's office. At a minimum, the
4 training shall be inclusive of and consistent with the training described in
5 subdivision (1) of this section. A town clerk or assistant clerk who completes
6 the cybersecurity awareness training provided by the Office of the Secretary of
7 State is not required to complete the training described in subdivision (1) of
8 this section.

9 (c) Compliance.

10 (1) A municipality's employees shall complete the training described in
11 subsection (b) of this section not more than 90 days after receipt of the notice
12 described in subdivision (a)(2) of this section. If training is not completed
13 before the end of the 90-day period, the Agency of Digital Services shall
14 prohibit the municipality from accessing any State-owned system until the
15 municipality can provide documentation that the municipality's employees
16 have received training.

17 (2) Notwithstanding subdivision (1) of this section, no town clerk or
18 assistant clerk shall be denied access to any State-owned system that the town
19 clerk's office is required to access as part of its statutory election
20 responsibilities.

