

1 TO THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES:

2 The Committee on Government Operations to which was referred House
3 Bill No. 619 entitled “An act relating to permitting candidate expenditures for
4 child care costs” respectfully reports that it has considered the same and
5 recommends that the bill be amended by striking out all after the enacting
6 clause and inserting in lieu thereof the following:

7 Sec. 1. 17 V.S.A. § 2901 is amended to read:

8 § 2901. DEFINITIONS

9 As used in this chapter:

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11 (7) “Expenditure” means a payment, disbursement, distribution,
12 advance, deposit, loan, or gift of money or anything of value, paid or promised
13 to be paid, for the purpose of influencing an election, advocating a position on
14 a public question, or supporting or opposing one or more candidates.

15 (A) Expenditures may include those expenses that are necessary to
16 allow a candidate to campaign, such as expenses for the care of a dependent
17 family member that are incurred as a direct result of campaign activity.

18 (B) As used in this chapter, “expenditure” shall not include any of the
19 following:

20 ~~(A)~~(i) a personal loan of money to a candidate from a lending
21 institution made in the ordinary course of business;

