

<b><u>As Passed By House</u></b>	<b><u>Senate Transportation Proposal of Amendment</u></b>
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	<p style="text-align: center;">* * * Summary of Transportation Investments * * *</p> <p><b>Sec. 1a. FISCAL YEAR 2021</b> <b>TRANSPORTATION INVESTMENTS</b> <b>INTENDED TO REDUCE</b> <b>TRANSPORTATION-RELATED</b> <b>GREENHOUSE GAS EMISSIONS,</b> <b>REDUCE FOSSIL FUEL USE, AND</b> <b>SAVE VERMONT HOUSEHOLDS</b> <b>MONEY</b></p> <p><u>This act includes the State’s fiscal year 2021 transportation investments intended to reduce transportation-related greenhouse gas emissions, reduce fossil fuel use, and save Vermont households money in furtherance of the policies articulated in 19 V.S.A. § 10b and the goals of the Comprehensive Energy Plan and to satisfy the Executive and Legislative Branches’ commitments to the Paris Agreement climate goals. In fiscal year 2021, these efforts will include the following:</u></p> <p><u>(1) Park and Ride Program. This act provides for a fiscal year expenditure of \$5,580,568.00, which will fund five park and ride construction projects and the design of four additional facilities scheduled for construction in fiscal year 2022. This year’s park and ride program will create 330 new State-owned spaces and result in the installation of 43 level 1 EVSE charging ports. Specific additions and improvements include:</u></p>

(A) Williston—Construction of 142 new spaces:

(B) Royalton—Construction of 91 new spaces:

(C) Cambridge—Improvements to existing spaces:

(D) Thetford—Construction of 42 new spaces:

(E) Berlin (Exit 6)—Design for 65 spaces:

(F) Berlin (Exit 7)—Design for 75 spaces:

(G) Manchester—Design for 50 spaces:  
and

(H) Williamstown—Construction of 55 new spaces.

(2) Bike and Pedestrian Facilities Program. This act, in concert with the Capital Construction Act, provides for a fiscal year expenditure of \$18,230,970.00, which will fund 39 bike and pedestrian construction projects, and 12 bike and pedestrian design, right-of-way, or design and right-of way projects for construction in fiscal year 2021. The construction projects include the creation, improvement, or rehabilitation of walkways, sidewalks, shared use paths, bike paths, and cycling lanes. Projects are funded in Arlington, Bennington, Burlington, Chester, Colchester-Essex, Dover, East Montpelier, Enosburg Falls, Fairfield, Hardwick, Hartford, Hinesburg, Jericho, Johnson, Lake Champlain causeway, Middlebury, Milton, Montpelier-Berlin, Moretown, Pittsford, Plainfield, Proctor, Richford, Rochester, Rutland City, Shelburne, South Burlington, Springfield, St. Albans City, St. George, St. Johnsbury, Swanton, Underhill, Waitsfield, Waterbury, West Rutland, Williston, and Wilmington.

(3) Transportation Alternatives Program. This act provides for a fiscal year expenditure of \$2,763,408.00, which will fund 16 transportation alternatives construction projects and 22 design, right-of-way, or design and right-of-way projects. Of these 38 projects, 22 involve environmental mitigation related to clean water, stormwater, or both clean water and stormwater concerns, and the remaining 15 involve bicycle and pedestrian facilities. Projects are funded in Bennington, Bridgewater, Bridport, Castleton, Chester, Colchester, Derby, Duxbury, East Montpelier, Enosburg, Essex, Essex Junction, Fair Haven, Franklin, Granville, Hartford, Hyde Park, Jericho, Middletown Springs, Montgomery, Newfane, Norwich, Pittsford, Rutland City, Shelburne, South Burlington, St. Albans, St. Johnsbury, Thetford, Vergennes, Warren, Wilmington, and Winooski.

(4) Public Transit Program. This act authorizes \$37,852,845.00 in funding for public transit uses throughout the State, which is a 30.4 percent increase over fiscal year 2019 levels. An additional \$3,000,000.00 flows through the State directly to the Green Mountain Transportation Authority. Included in the authorization are:

(A) Go! Vermont with an authorization of \$858,434.00. This authorization supports the promotion and use of carpools and vanpools.

(B) Barre Transit Expansion with an authorization of \$275,000.00. This authorization increases service available through Barre Transit.

(C) Capital Commuters with an authorization of \$100,000.00. This program provides discounted bus passes to those commuting to work in Montpelier.

(D) Vermont Kidney Association Grant with an authorization of \$50,000.00. This authorization supports the transit needs of Vermonters in need of dialysis services.

(E) Transportation Demand Management and Micro-Transit Innovations Grant Program with an authorization of \$500,000.00. Sec. 16 of this act creates the Transportation Demand Management and Micro-Transit Innovations Grant Program, to be administered by the Agency of Transportation, that will provide grant funding to incentivize and continue support for the advancement of transportation demand management programs and new transit initiatives that improve mobility and access for transit-dependent Vermonters, reduce greenhouse gas emissions, or both.

(5) Rail Program. This act authorizes \$30,815,640.00 for intercity passenger rail service and rail infrastructure throughout the State, including modifications to the Burlington Vermont Rail Systems railyard to accommodate overnight servicing to facilitate New York City-Burlington rail service.

(6) Transformation of the State Vehicle Fleet. The Department of Buildings and General Services, which manages the State Vehicle Fleet, added 44 additional hybrid vehicles to the fleet in fiscal year 2020. In fiscal year 2021, the Department of Buildings and General Services expects to add 24 additional PHEVs and three additional BEVs to the fleet. The Capital Construction Act authorizes \$75,000.00 for the installation of EVSE in State-owned parking lots under the jurisdiction of the Department of Buildings and General Services. This will increase the number of charging stations by eight to 10 stations, with 16 to 20 charging ports in total and is in addition to the following EVSE that will be installed by the Department of Buildings and General Services during the first two months of fiscal year 2021:

(A) Rutland Parking Garage—four stations, with eight charging ports in total;

(B) 134–136 State Street, Montpelier—seven stations, with 12 charging ports in total;

	<p><u>(C) Southern State Correctional Facility—one station, with two charging ports in total; and</u></p> <p><u>(D) Newport Emory Hebard Office Building—one station, with two charging ports in total.</u></p> <p><u>(7) Electric vehicle supply equipment. In furtherance of the State’s goal to have a direct current (DC) fast-charging station within 30 miles of every residence in Vermont, the Capital Construction Act authorizes \$750,000.00 to the VW EVSE Grant Program.</u></p> <p><u>(8) Vehicle incentive programs. Sec. 14 of this act authorizes an additional \$50,000.00 to support administrative costs associated with MileageSmart, which is the State’s used high fuel efficiency vehicle incentive program, and to ensure that the State’s emissions repair program is operational not later than July 1, 2021. Secs. 3 and 5 of this act also authorize the Secretary of Transportation to expend additional monies on the New PEV Incentive Program and MileageSmart if such funding becomes available.</u></p>																								
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State	96,415,636	95,115,636	-1,300,000	State	96,415,636	95,815,636	-600,000
Federal	2,377,787	2,377,787	0	Federal	2,377,787	2,377,787	0
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				<p>*** Aviation ***</p> <p>Sec. 5a. CLARENDON SRE BUILDING</p> <p>Within the Agency of Transportation’s Proposed Fiscal Year 2021 Transportation</p>			

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<u>FY21</u>				<u>FY21</u>			
Other	2,500,000	7,000,000	4,500,000	Other	2,500,000	7,030,000	4,530,000
Total	2,500,000	7,000,000	4,500,000	Total	2,500,000	7,030,000	4,530,000
<u>FY22</u>				<u>FY22</u>			
Other	3,500,000	7,000,000	3,500,000	Other	3,500,000	7,000,000	3,500,000
Total	3,500,000	7,000,000	3,500,000	Total	3,500,000	7,000,000	3,500,000
<u>FY23</u>				<u>FY23</u>			
Other	4,500,000	0	-4,500,000	Other	4,500,000	0	-4,500,000
Total	4,500,000	0	-4,500,000	Total	4,500,000	0	-4,500,000
<u>FY24</u>				<u>FY24</u>			
Other	3,500,000	0	-3,500,000	Other	3,500,000	0	-3,500,000
Total	3,500,000	0	-3,500,000	Total	3,500,000	0	-3,500,000
<u>Sources of funds FY21</u>	<u>Sources of funds FY21</u>						

State	0	700,000	700,000	State	0	0	0
Other	500,000	700,000	200,000	Other	500,000	1,430,000	930,000
Federal	2,000,000	5,600,000	3,600,000	Federal	2,000,000	5,600,000	3,600,000
Total	2,500,000	7,000,000	4,500,000	Total	2,500,000	7,030,000	4,530,000
<u>Sources of funds FY22</u>				<u>Sources of funds FY22</u>			
State	0	0	0	State	0	0	0
Other	0	1,400,000	1,400,000	Other	0	1,400,000	1,400,000
Federal	0	5,600,000	5,600,000	Federal	0	5,600,000	5,600,000
Total	0	7,000,000	7,000,000	Total	0	7,000,000	7,000,000
<u>(b) In the Agency of Transportation’s Proposed Fiscal Year 2021 Transportation Program for Program Development—Bike &amp; Pedestrian Facilities, “Other funds of \$500,000 are General Obligation Bond proceeds appropriated in the capital bill for the Lamoille Valley Rail Trail” is struck, and “Other funds of \$2,100,000 are General Obligation Bond proceeds appropriated in the capital construction act for the Lamoille Valley Rail Trail, but if matching federal funds are not available or if federal funds do not require a state match, the funds shall be used for projects in a future capital construction act” is inserted in lieu thereof.</u>				<u>(b) In the Agency of Transportation’s Proposed Fiscal Year 2021 Transportation Program for Program Development—Bike &amp; Pedestrian Facilities, “Other funds of \$500,000 are General Obligation Bond proceeds appropriated in the capital bill for the Lamoille Valley Rail Trail” is struck, and “Other funds of \$2,830,000 are General Obligation Bond proceeds appropriated in the capital construction act for the Lamoille Valley Rail Trail, but if matching federal funds are not available or if federal funds do not require a state match, the funds shall be used for projects in a future capital construction act” is inserted in lieu thereof.</u>			
Sec. 11 – No changes				Sec. 11 – No changes			
Sec. 12 – No changes				Sec. 12 – No changes			
Sec. 13 – No changes				Sec. 13 – No changes			
<p style="text-align: center;">* * * Programs and Incentives to Foster PEV Adoption * * *</p> <p>Sec. 14. 2019 Acts and Resolves No. 59, Sec. 34 is amended to read:</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Sec. 34. VEHICLE INCENTIVE AND EMISSIONS REPAIR PROGRAMS</p> <p>(a) Vehicle incentive and emissions repair programs administration.</p>				<p style="text-align: center;">* * * Programs and Incentives to Foster <b>Efficient Vehicle</b> Adoption * * *</p> <p>Sec. 14. 2019 Acts and Resolves No. 59, Sec. 34 is amended to read:</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Sec. 34. VEHICLE INCENTIVE AND EMISSIONS REPAIR PROGRAMS</p> <p>(a) Vehicle incentive and emissions repair programs administration.</p>			

(1) The Agency of Transportation (Agency), in consultation with the ~~Agency of Natural Resources, the Agency of Human Services, the Department~~ Departments of Environmental Conservation and of Public Service, Vermont electric distribution utilities ~~that are offering incentives for PEVs~~, and the State's network of community action agencies, shall establish and administer the programs described in subsections (b) and (c) of this section.

(2) The Agency is authorized to spend \$2,000,000.00 as appropriated in the fiscal year 2020 budget

and any additional monies as appropriated in the fiscal year 2021 budget or Transportation Fund monies authorized to be expended by the Secretary of Transportation pursuant to Sec. 3 of this act, or both, on the two programs described in subsections (b) and (c) of this section. Notwithstanding any other provision of law and subject to the approval of the Secretary of Administration, appropriations for the two programs described in subsections (b) and (c) of this section remaining unexpended on June 30, 2021 shall be carried forward and designated for expenditure on these programs in the subsequent fiscal year.

(3) Subject to State procurement requirements, the Agency may, in fiscal year 2020, retain a contractor or contractors to assist with marketing, program development, and administration of the two programs and up to \$150,000.00 of program funding may be set aside for this purpose.

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expansion of the PEV market in the State through technical and consumer assistance; auto dealer education; outreach and incentive program management, including marketing, consumer support, record keeping and reporting, program development and modification, and general program administration for the program described in subsection (b) of this section; and PEV promotional efforts. The Agency shall develop, in consultation with the Departments of Environmental Conservation and of Public Service, a scope of work for funding the Agency's grants to Drive Electric Vermont pursuant to this section.

(4) The Agency shall administer the program described in subsection (b) of this section through no-cost contracts with the State's electric distribution utilities.

(5) The Agency shall annually evaluate the two programs to gauge effectiveness and submit a written report on the effectiveness of the programs to the House and Senate Committees on Transportation, the House Committee on Energy and Technology, and the Senate Committee on Finance on or before the 31st day of ~~December~~ January in each year following a year that an incentive or repair voucher ~~is~~ was provided through one of the programs. Notwithstanding 2 V.S.A. § 20(d), the annual report required under this section shall continue to be required if an incentive or repair voucher is provided through one of the programs unless the General Assembly takes specific action to repeal the report requirement.

(b) Electric vehicle incentive program. A new PEV purchase and lease incentive program for Vermont residents shall structure PEV purchase and lease incentive payments by income to help all Vermonters benefit from electric driving, including Vermont's most vulnerable. The program shall be known as the New PEV Incentive Program. Specifically, the program New PEV Incentive Program shall:

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(1) apply to both purchases and leases of new PEVs with an emphasis on creating and matching incentives for ~~exclusively electric powered vehicles that do not contain an onboard combustion engine~~ BEVs;

(2) provide ~~incentives not more than one~~ incentive of \$1,500.00 for a PHEV or \$2,500.00 for a BEV to Vermont households with low and moderate income at or below 160 percent of the State's prior five year average Median Household Income (MHI) level;

(A) an individual domiciled in the State whose federal income tax filing status is single or head of household with an adjusted gross income under the laws of the United States greater than \$50,000.00 and at or below \$100,000.00;

(B) an individual domiciled in the State whose federal income tax filing status is surviving spouse with an adjusted gross income under the laws of the United States greater than \$50,000.00 and at or below \$125,000.00;

(C) a married couple with at least one spouse domiciled in the State whose federal income tax filing status is married filing jointly with an adjusted gross income under the laws of the United States greater than \$50,000.00 and at or below \$125,000.00; or

(D) a married couple with at least one spouse domiciled in the State and at least one spouse whose federal income tax filing status is married filing separately with an adjusted gross income under the laws of the United States greater than \$50,000.00 and at or below \$100,000.00;

(3) provide not more than one incentive of \$3,000.00 for a PHEV or \$4,000.00 for a BEV to:

(A) an individual domiciled in the State whose federal income tax filing status is single, head of household, or surviving spouse with an adjusted gross income under the laws of the United States at or below \$50,000.00;

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(B) a married couple with at least one spouse domiciled in the State whose federal income tax filing status is married filing jointly with an adjusted gross income under the laws of the United States at or below \$50,000.00; or

(C) a married couple with at least one spouse domiciled in the State and at least one spouse whose federal income tax filing status is married filing separately with an adjusted gross income under the laws of the United States at or below \$50,000.00;

(4) apply to manufactured PEVs with a Base Manufacturer’s Suggested Retail Price (MSRP) of \$40,000.00 or less; and

(4)(5) provide ~~no~~ not less than \$1,100,000.00, of the initial \$2,000,000.00 authorization, and up to an additional \$2,050,000.00 in fiscal year 2021 in PEV purchase and lease incentives.

(B) a married couple with at least one spouse domiciled in the State whose federal income tax filing status is married filing jointly with an adjusted gross income under the laws of the United States at or below \$50,000.00; or

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(c) High fuel efficiency vehicle incentive and emissions repair ~~program~~ programs. A ~~used~~ Used high fuel efficiency vehicle purchase incentive and emissions repair ~~program~~ programs for Vermont residents shall structure high fuel efficiency purchase incentive payments and emissions repair vouchers by income to help all Vermonters benefit from more efficient driving, including Vermont’s most vulnerable. Not less than \$750,000.00 shall be provided in point-of-sale and point-of repair vouchers.

(1) Specifically, the The high fuel efficiency vehicle incentive program shall be known as MileageSmart and shall:

(1)(A) apply to purchases of used high fuel-efficient motor vehicles, which for purposes of this program shall be pleasure cars with a combined city/highway fuel efficiency of at least 40 miles per gallon or miles per gallon equivalent as rated by the Environmental Protection Agency when the vehicle was new, and repairs of certain

vehicles that failed the on board diagnostic (OBD) systems inspection;

(2)(B) provide point-of-sale vouchers through the State's network of community action agencies and base eligibility for the point-of-sale voucher on the same criteria used for income qualification for weatherization services through the Weatherization Program and eligibility for the point-of-repair vouchers on the same criteria used for income qualification for Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP) through the State's Economic Services Division within the Department for Children and Families; and

(3)(C) provide one of the following to qualifying individuals:

(A) a point-of-sale voucher of up to \$5,000.00 to assist in the purchase of a used high fuel-efficient motor vehicle that may require that a condition of the voucher be that if the individual is the owner of either a motor vehicle that failed the OBD systems inspection or a motor vehicle that is more than 15 years old and has a combined city/highway fuel efficiency of less than 25 miles per gallon as rated by the Environmental Protection Agency when the vehicle was new that the vehicle will be removed from operation and either donated to a nonprofit organization to be used for parts or destroyed; or.

(B)(2) The emissions repair program, which shall be operational on or before July 1, 2021, shall:

(A) apply to repairs of certain vehicles that failed the on board diagnostic (OBD) systems inspection;

(B) provide point-of-repair vouchers through the State's network of community action agencies and base eligibility for voucher on the same criteria used for income qualification for Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP) through the State's Economic Services

<p style="text-align: center;">* * *</p>	<p><u>Division within the Department for Children and Families; and</u></p> <p><u>(C) provide a point-of-repair voucher to repair a motor vehicle that was ready for testing, failed the OBD systems inspection, requires repairs that are not under warranty, and will be able to pass the State’s vehicle inspection once the repairs are made provided that the point-of-repair voucher is commensurate with the fair market value of the vehicle to be repaired and does not exceed \$2,500.00, with \$2,500.00 vouchers only being available to repair vehicles with a fair market value of at least \$5,000.00.</u></p> <p style="text-align: center;">* * *</p>
<p><b>Sec. 15 – No changes</b></p>	<p><b>Sec. 15 – No changes</b></p>
<p style="text-align: center;">* * * Telecommuting Report * * *</p> <p><b>Sec. 16. TELECOMMUTING REPORT</b></p> <p><u>The Agency of Transportation shall, in consultation with the Agency of Commerce and Community Development, submit a written report on or before September 30, 2021 to the House Committees on Commerce and Economic Development and on Transportation and the Senate Committees on Economic Development, Housing and General Affairs and on Transportation that addresses, at a minimum, the following:</u></p> <p><u>(1) how telecommuting practices changed in the State in response to COVID-19;</u></p> <p><u>(2) how telecommuting practices changed in the State during fiscal year 2021;</u></p> <p><u>(3) best practices for telecommuting;</u></p> <p><u>(4) an estimate of the expenses and savings to Vermont employers and their employees generated by telecommuting during fiscal year 2021;</u></p>	<p style="text-align: center;">* * * Transportation Demand Management and Micro-Transit Innovations Grant Program * * *</p> <p><b>Sec. 16. TRANSPORTATION DEMAND MANAGEMENT AND MICRO TRANSIT INNOVATIONS GRANT PROGRAM</b></p> <p><u>(a) The Agency shall establish and administer a transportation demand management and micro-transit innovations grant program within the Public Transit Program to incentivize and continue support for the advancement of transportation demand management programs and new transit initiatives.</u></p> <p><u>(b) The Agency shall distribute \$500,000.00 in grant awards, with each recipient only eligible to receive up to \$100,000.00 in grant awards.</u></p> <p><u>(c) Grant awards may be used for one or more of the following: matching funds for other grant awards; program delivery costs; or for the extension of existing programs.</u></p> <p><u>(d) Grant awards shall be distributed not later than November 30, 2020 and shall incentivize innovative strategies that improve both mobility and access for transit-dependent Vermonters.</u></p>

<p><u>(5) an estimate of the annual expenses and savings to Vermont employers in an industry conducive to telecommuting with more than 50 employees that could be generated by greater utilization of telecommuting;</u></p> <p><u>(6) an estimate of the annual expenses and savings to employees of employers identified in subdivision (5) of this section that could be generated by greater utilization of telecommuting;</u></p> <p><u>(7) an estimate of the statewide reduction in vehicle miles traveled (VMT), trips, or both and greenhouse gas emissions associated with telecommuting in fiscal year 2021;</u></p> <p><u>(8) an estimate of the statewide reduction in VMT, trips, or both and greenhouse gas emissions that could be generated by greater utilization of telecommuting; and</u></p> <p><u>(9) recommendations on ways to increase the use of telecommuting in the State.</u></p>	<p><u>reduce the use of single occupancy vehicles for work trips, and reduce greenhouse gas emissions.</u></p>
<p style="text-align: center;">* * * All-Terrain Vehicles * * *</p> <p>Sec. 17. 23 V.S.A. §§ 3501 and 3502 are amended to read:</p> <p>§ 3501. DEFINITIONS</p> <p>As used in this chapter:</p> <p>(1) <del>“Commissioner” means the Commissioner of Motor Vehicles unless otherwise stated.</del></p> <p>(2) <del>“Department” means Department of Motor Vehicles unless otherwise stated.</del></p> <p>(3) <del>“Operate” includes an attempt to operate and shall be construed to cover all matters and things connected with the presence and use of all-terrain vehicles whether they be at motion or rest.</del></p>	<p style="text-align: center;">* * * All-Terrain Vehicles * * *</p> <p>Sec. 17. 23 V.S.A. §§ 3501 and 3502 are amended to read:</p> <p>§ 3501. DEFINITIONS</p> <p>As used in this chapter:</p> <p>(1) <del>“Commissioner” means the Commissioner of Motor Vehicles unless otherwise stated.</del></p> <p>(2) <del>“Department” means Department of Motor Vehicles unless otherwise stated.</del></p> <p>(3) <del>“Operate” includes an attempt to operate and shall be construed to cover all matters and things connected with the presence and use of all-terrain vehicles whether they be at motion or rest.</del></p>

<p><del>(4)</del> “Secretary” means the Secretary of Natural Resources.</p> <p><del>(5)</del> “All-terrain vehicle” or “ATV” means any nonhighway recreational vehicle, except snowmobiles, having <del>no</del> <u>not</u> less than two low pressure tires (10 pounds per square inch, or less), not wider than 64 inches with two-wheel ATVs having permanent, full-time power to both wheels, and having a dry weight of less than 1,700 pounds, when used for cross-country travel on trails or on any one of the following or a combination thereof: land, water, snow, ice, marsh, swampland, and natural terrain. An ATV on a public highway shall be considered a motor vehicle, as defined in section 4 of this title, only for the purposes of those offenses listed in subdivisions 2502(a)(1)(H), (N), (R), (U), (Y), (FF), (GG), (II), and (AAA); (2)(A) and (B); (3)(A), (B), (C), and (D); (4)(A) and (B) and (5) of this title and as provided in section 1201 of this title. An ATV shall not include an electric personal assistive mobility device.</p> <p>(2) “Department” means the Department of Motor Vehicles unless otherwise stated.</p> <p>(3) “Direct supervision” means that the <u>supervisor shall be sufficiently close and able to control, by communicating visually or orally, the operation of an ATV by an operator under 16 years of age, taking into account the noise created by an ATV and protective headgear worn by the operator.</u></p> <p>(4) “Farm” means a parcel or parcels of <u>land owned, leased, or managed by a person and devoted primarily to farming.</u></p> <p>(5) “Secretary” means the Secretary of Natural Resources.</p> <p>(6) “State lands” means <u>land owned, leased, or otherwise controlled by the State.</u></p>	<p><del>(4)</del> “Secretary” means the Secretary of Natural Resources.</p> <p><del>(5)</del> “All-terrain vehicle” or “ATV” means any nonhighway recreational vehicle, except snowmobiles, having <del>no</del> <u>not</u> less than two low pressure tires (10 pounds per square inch, or less), not wider than 64 inches with two-wheel ATVs having permanent, full-time power to both wheels, and having a dry weight of less than 1,700 pounds, when used for cross-country travel on trails or on any one of the following or a combination thereof: land, water, snow, ice, marsh, swampland, and natural terrain. An ATV on a public highway shall be considered a motor vehicle, as defined in section 4 of this title, only for the purposes of those offenses listed in subdivisions 2502(a)(1)(H), (N), (R), (U), (Y), (FF), (GG), (II), and (AAA); (2)(A) and (B); (3)(A), (B), (C), and (D); (4)(A) and (B) and (5) of this title and as provided in section 1201 of this title. An ATV shall not include an electric personal assistive mobility device.</p> <p>(2) “Department” means the Department of Motor Vehicles unless otherwise stated.</p> <p>(3) “Direct supervision” means that the <u>supervisor shall be sufficiently close and able to control, by communicating visually or orally, the operation of an ATV by an operator under 16 years of age, taking into account the noise created by an ATV and protective headgear worn by the operator.</u></p> <p>(4) “Farm” means a parcel or parcels of <u>land owned, leased, or managed by a person and devoted primarily to farming.</u></p> <p><b>(5)</b> “Forestry operation” has the same meaning as in 10 V.S.A. § 2602.</p> <p><b>(6)</b> “Secretary” means the Secretary of Natural Resources.</p> <p><b>(7)</b> “State lands” means <u>land owned, leased, or otherwise controlled by the State.</u></p>
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§ 3502. REGISTRATION AND TRAIL ACCESS DECAL (TAD) REQUIRED; EXCEPTIONS

~~(a)(1)~~ An all-terrain vehicle may not be operated Except as otherwise provided in this section, an individual shall not operate an ATV on the VASA Trail System, on State land designated by the Secretary pursuant to subdivision 3506(b)(4) of this title, or along any highway that is not adjacent to the property of the operator unless the ATV:

~~(A)~~ is registered pursuant to this chapter or any other section of this title by the State of Vermont and unless the all-terrain vehicle or in accordance with subsection (e) of this section; and

~~(B)~~ displays a valid Vermont ATV Sportsman’s Association (VASA) VASA Trail Access Decal (TAD) when operating on a VASA trail, except when operated;

~~(4)(2)~~ Notwithstanding subdivision (1) of this subsection, neither registration nor display of a TAD is required to operate an ATV:

~~(A)~~ ~~On~~ on the property of the owner of the all-terrain vehicle. ATV;

~~(B)(2)~~ ~~Off the highway, In~~ in a ski area while being used, off the highway, for the purpose of grooming snow, maintenance, or in rescue operations;

~~(3)(C)~~ ~~For~~ for official use by a federal, State, or municipal agency ~~and only~~ if the all-terrain vehicle ATV is identified with the name or seal of the agency in a manner approved by the Commissioner; or

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~~(D)(4)~~ Solely on privately owned land when the operator is specifically invited to do so by the owner of ~~that the~~ property and ~~has on his or her person~~ carries the written consent of the owner.

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	<p><b>* * * Study on Direct-to-Consumer Motor Vehicle Sales; Report * * *</b></p> <p><b>Sec. 22. STUDY ON DIRECT-TO-CONSUMER MOTOR VEHICLE SALES; REPORT</b></p>

(a) The Agency of Transportation, in consultation with the Attorney General's Office, the Department of Financial Regulation, a manufacturer that engages in direct-to-consumer motor vehicle sales to Vermont consumers, and the Vermont Vehicle and Automotive Distributors Association, shall conduct a study and, on or before December 15, 2020, file a written report on the findings of its study, sources reviewed, and recommendations regarding the regulation of direct-to-consumer motor vehicle sales with the Senate Committees on Economic Development, Housing and General Affairs and on Transportation and the House Committees on Commerce and Economic Development and on Transportation.

(b) The report shall, at a minimum, include a review of:

(1) all Vermont consumer protection laws and regulations that currently apply when a consumer purchases a motor vehicle from a dealer registered pursuant to 23 V.S.A. chapter 7, subchapter 4, whether those consumer protections currently apply to direct-to-consumer motor vehicle sales, and, if not, whether those consumer protections should apply to direct-to-consumer motor vehicle sales;

(2) how consumers currently obtain financing in direct-to-consumer motor vehicle sales and any proposals that would better protect Vermont consumers who engage in direct-to-consumer motor vehicle sales;

(3) how consumers are currently taxed in direct-to-consumer motor vehicle sales and whether there are steps the State can take to maximize the collection of taxes owed on direct-to-consumer motor vehicle sales where the vehicles are operated in Vermont;

(4) any enforcement issues related to direct-to-consumer motor vehicle sales;

(5) what reasons, if any, exist to prohibit manufacturers engaged in direct-to-consumer motor vehicle sales from owning, operating, or controlling a motor vehicle warranty or service facility in the State and a recommendation on whether a sales center should be required if a manufacturer engaged in direct-to-consumer motor vehicle sales is permitted to own, operate, or control a motor vehicle warranty or service facility in the State;

(6) laws, rules, and best practices from other jurisdictions and any model legislation related to the regulation of direct-to-consumer motor vehicle sales; and

(7) how any proposed amendments to Vermont law regulating direct-to-consumer motor vehicle sales will affect dealers registered pursuant to 23 V.S.A. chapter 7, subchapter 4; franchisors and franchisees, as defined in 9 V.S.A. § 4085; and other persons who are selling motor vehicles to Vermonters.

(c) As used in this section, “direct-to-consumer motor vehicle sales” means sales made by:

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