

1 Sec. 16. TELECOMMUTING REPORT

2 The Agency of Transportation shall, in consultation with the Agency of
3 Commerce and Community Development, submit a written report on or before
4 February 15, 2021 to the House Committees on Commerce and Economic
5 Development and on Transportation and the Senate Committees on Economic
6 Development, Housing and General Affairs and on Transportation that
7 addresses at least the following:

8 (1) how telecommuting practices have changed in the State in response
9 to COVID-19;

10 (2) best practices for telecommuting post COVID-19;

11 (3) an estimate of the expenses and savings to employers and employees
12 generated by telecommuting from April 1, 2020 to December 31, 2020;

13 (4) an estimate of the annual expenses and savings to employers and
14 employees that could be generated by greater utilization of telecommuting
15 starting in calendar year 2021;

16 (5) an estimate of the statewide reduction in single-occupancy pleasure-
17 car trips, where a single-occupancy pleasure-car trip means a pleasure car, as
18 defined in 23 V.S.A. § 4(28), that is only occupied by the operator, attributable
19 to telecommuting due to COVID-19 from April 1, 2020 to December 31, 2020;

- 1 (6) an estimate of the annual statewide reduction in single-occupancy
- 2 pleasure-car trips that could be generated by greater utilization of
- 3 telecommuting starting in calendar year 2021; and
- 4 (7) recommendations on ways to increase the use of telecommuting in
- 5 the State.