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2 Representatives Marcotte of Coventry, Bancroft of Westford, Dickinson of
3 St. Albans Town, Jerome of Brandon, Kimbell of Woodstock, Morris of
4 Springfield, O’Sullivan of Burlington, Ralph of Hartland, and Toleno of
5 Brattleboro move that the report of the Committee on Commerce and
6 Economic Development be amended as follows:

7 First: Before Sec. 1, workers’ compensation; administrative flexibility, by
8 adding a reader assistance heading to read as follows:

9 * * * Workers’ Compensation * * *

10 Second: In Sec. 2, COVID-19; presumption of compensability, in
11 subdivision (a)(2)(B)(vii), by striking out the word “required” and inserting in
12 lieu thereof the word “permitted”

13 Third: By striking out Sec. 5, effective date, in its entirety and inserting in
14 lieu thereof Secs. 5, 6, and 7 and reader assistance headings to read as follows:
15 Sec. 5. WORKERS’ COMPENSATION RATE OF CONTRIBUTION

16 For fiscal year 2021, after consideration of the formula in 21 V.S.A.
17 § 711(b) and historical rate trends, the General Assembly determines that the
18 rate of contribution for the direct calendar year premium for workers’
19 compensation insurance shall remain at the rate of 1.4 percent. The
20 contribution rate for self-insured workers’ compensation losses and workers’

1 compensation losses of corporations approved under 21 V.S.A. chapter 9 shall
2 remain at one percent.

3 * * * Sales and Use Tax; Paper Bags * * *

4 Sec. 6. 32 V.S.A. § 9741(54) is added to read:

5 (54) Sales of recyclable paper carryout bags to customers pursuant to
6 10 V.S.A. § 6693, provided that sales of recyclable paper carryout bags to
7 stores and food service establishments as defined under 10 V.S.A. § 6691 shall
8 not be exempt under this subdivision and shall not be considered sales for
9 resale under subdivision 9701(5) of this title.

10 * * * Effective Dates * * *

11 Sec. 7. EFFECTIVE DATES

12 (a) Notwithstanding 1 V.S.A. § 214, the section and Sec. 1 and 2 of this act
13 shall take effect on passage and shall apply retroactively to March 1, 2020.

14 (b) Secs. 5 and 6 shall take effect on July 1, 2020, provided that if the date
15 of passage of this act is after July 1, 2020, then notwithstanding 1 V.S.A.
16 § 214, Secs. 5 and 6 shall take effect on passage and shall apply retroactively
17 to July 1, 2020.

18 (c) The remaining sections of this act shall take effect on passage.