| 1 | TO THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES: |
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| 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; |

| 1 | (B)(ii) services provided without compensation by individuals |
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| 2 | volunteering their time on behalf of a candidate, political committee, or |
| 3 | political party; |
| 4 | (C)(iii) unreimbursed travel expenses paid for by an individual for |
| 5 | himself or herself who volunteers personal services to a candidate; or |
| 6 | (D)(iv) unreimbursed campaign-related travel expenses paid for by |
| 7 | the candidate or the candidate's spouse. |
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| 9 | Sec. 2. EFFECTIVE DATE |
| 10 | This act shall take effect on passage. |
| 11 | and that after passage the title of the bill be amended to read: "An act |
| 12 | relating to permitted candidate expenditures" |
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| 15 | (Committee vote:) |
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| 18 | FOR THE COMMITTEE |