

1 Introduced by Senate Committee on Government Operations

2 Referred to Committee on

3 Date:

4 Subject: Municipal and county government; deadlines for municipal

5 corporations and other political subdivisions; extension; COVID-19

6 response

7 Statement of purpose of bill as introduced: This bill proposes to authorize the
8 Governor and municipal corporations to extend deadlines applicable to
9 municipal corporations and regional planning commissions during the COVID-
10 19 response.

11 An act relating to extending applicable deadlines for municipal corporations
12 and regional planning commissions in response to COVID-19

13 It is hereby enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Vermont:

14 Sec. 1. EXTENSION OF DEADLINES APPLICABLE TO MUNICIPAL

15 CORPORATIONS AND REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSIONS;

16 CONTINUED VALIDITY OF LICENSES AND PLANS

17 (a) During a declared state of emergency under 20 V.S.A. chapter 1 due to
18 COVID-19, the Governor may authorize State agencies to extend any deadline
19 applicable to municipal corporations or regional planning commissions. A

1 deadline established by statute shall not be extended to more than 90 days after
2 the date that the declared state of emergency ends. Any expiring license,
3 program, or plan issued to a municipal corporation or regional planning
4 commission, that is due to a State agency for renewal or review, shall remain
5 valid for 90 days after the date that the declared state of emergency ends.

6 (b) During a declared state of emergency under 20 V.S.A. chapter 1 due to
7 COVID-19, a municipal corporation shall be permitted to extend any deadline
8 applicable to municipal corporations, provided that the deadline does not relate
9 to a State license, program, or plan subject to subsection (a) of this section. A
10 municipal corporation may extend or waive deadlines applicable to licenses,
11 programs, or plans issued by a municipal corporation. Any expiring license,
12 program, or plan issued by a municipal corporation, that is due to the
13 municipal corporation for renewal or review, shall remain valid for 90 days
14 after the date that the declared state of emergency ends.

15 Sec. 2. EFFECTIVE DATE

16 This act shall take effect on passage.