

1 TO THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES:

2 The Committee on Health Care to which was referred Senate Bill No. 31  
3 entitled “An act relating to informed health care financial decision making”  
4 respectfully reports that it has considered the same and recommends that the  
5 House concur in the Senate proposal of amendment to the House proposal of  
6 amendment with further proposals of amendment as follows:

7 First: In Sec. 5, Vermont Health Information Exchange; opt-out consent  
8 policy; implementation, in subsection (a), by striking out subdivision (3) in its  
9 entirety and inserting in lieu thereof a new subdivision (3) to read as follows:

10 (3) identify the mechanisms by which Vermonters will be able to easily  
11 opt out of having their health information shared through the VHIE and a  
12 timeline identifying when each mechanism will be available, which shall begin  
13 at least one month prior to the March 1, 2020 change to the consent policy;

14 Second: In Sec. 6, effective dates, by striking out subsection (b) in its  
15 entirety and inserting in lieu thereof a new subsection (b) to read as follows:

16 (b) Sec. 4 (18 V.S.A. § 9351) shall take effect on March 1, 2020.

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18 (Committee vote: \_\_\_\_\_)

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20 Representative \_\_\_\_\_

21 FOR THE COMMITTEE