

1 S.350

2 Senators Balint, Brock, Clarkson, Hooker, and Sirotkin move that the bill be
3 amended as follows:

4 First: In Sec. 2, in subsection (b)(3), by striking out taxable sales and
5 inserting in lieu thereof “total sales”

6 Second: In Sec. 4 by inserting a subsection (c) to read:

7 (c) In the event the federal Department of the Treasury determines that an
8 expenditure of funds made available from the CARES Act was not necessary
9 or otherwise impermissible under the Act, the Agency and the Department
10 shall hold harmless any grant recipient that accepted grant funds in good faith
11 reliance on the State concerning the business’s eligibility for, or use of, the
12 grant award.

13 Third: By re-designating Sec. 5 as Sec. 6 and inserting a new Sec. 5 to
14 read:

15 Sec. 5. HOUSING; HOMELESSNESS; APPROPRIATION

16 (a) The amount of \$23,000,000 is appropriated from the Coronavirus Relief
17 Fund to the Vermont Housing and Conservation Board, which funding the
18 Board shall use, in part through grants to nonprofit housing partners and
19 service organizations, for housing and facilities necessary to provide safe
20 shelter and assistance for persons who are, or are at risk of, experiencing

1 homelessness, in order to mitigate COVID-19 effects and enable compliance
2 with COVID-19 public health precautions.

3 (b) The Board shall adopt guidelines governing the use of the funds to:

4 (1) establish application and award procedures for grant recipients;

5 (2) establish standards for the amount and eligible use of grant funds;

6 and

7 (3) establish procedures to ensure that grant awards comply with the
8 requirements of the CARES Act and that the State maintains adequate records
9 to demonstrate compliance with the Act.