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Introduced by Representative McCullough of Williston

Referred to Committee on

Date:

Subject: Legislature; Joint Fiscal Office; livable wage

Statement of purpose of bill as introduced: This bill proposes to amend the definition of “livable wage” for purposes of the basic needs budget that is calculated at the beginning of each legislative biennium so that the livable wage is based on a family with two adult wage earners, two children, and no employer-sponsored health insurance.

An act relating to the basic needs budget and livable wage

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

Sec. 1. 2 V.S.A. § 526 is amended to read:

§ 526. BASIC NEEDS BUDGET AND LIVABLE WAGE; REPORT

(a) ~~For the purposes of~~ As used in this section:

(1) “Basic needs” means the essentials needed to run a household, including food; housing; transportation; child care; utilities; health and dental care; taxes; health, rental, and life insurance; personal expenses; and savings.

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