reimbursement of expenses pursuant to 2 V.S.A. § 406 for not more than six meetings.

- (2) Other members of the Advisory Council who are not employees of the State of Vermont and who are not otherwise compensated or reimbursed for their attendance shall be entitled to per diem compensation and reimbursement of expenses pursuant to 32 V.S.A. § 1010 for not more than six meetings.
- (3) Payments to members of the Advisory Council authorized under this subsection shall be made from monies appropriated by the General Assembly. Sec. 2. 2015 Acts and Resolves No. 60, Sec. 23 is amended to read:
  - Sec. 23. JOINT LEGISLATIVE CHILD PROTECTION OVERSIGHT **COMMITTEE**

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- (c) Powers and duties.
  - (1) The Committee shall:
- (A) Exercise exercise oversight over Vermont's systems for youth justice and protecting children from abuse and neglect, including:
- (i)(A) evaluating whether the branches, departments, agencies, and persons that are responsible for protecting children from abuse and neglect are effective;
- (ii)(B) determining if there are deficiencies in the system and the causes of those deficiencies:

(iii)(C) evaluating which programs are the most cost-effective; and
(iv)(D) determining whether there is variation in policies,
procedures, practices, and outcomes between different areas of the State and
the causes and results of any such variation;

- (v) evaluating whether licensed mandatory reporters should be required to certify that they completed training on the requirements set forth under 33 V.S.A. § 4913; and
- (vi) evaluating the measures recommended by the Working Group to Recommend Improvements to CHINS Proceedings established in Sec. 24 of this act to ensure that once a child is returned to his or her family, the court or the Department for Children and Families may continue to monitor the child and family where appropriate.
- (B) The Committee shall report any proposed legislation on or before

  January 15, 2016 to the House and Senate Committees on Judiciary, the House

  Committee on Human Services, and the Senate Committee on Health and

  Welfare.
- (2) The Committee may review and make recommendations to the House and Senate Committees on Appropriations regarding budget proposals and appropriations relating to protecting children from abuse and neglect.

(h) Sunset. On June 1, 2018 2022, this section (creating the Joint Legislative Child Protection Oversight Committee) is repealed and the Committee shall cease to exist.

## Sec. 3. EFFECTIVE DATES

This act shall take effect on passage; provided, however, that if the date of passage is after June 1, 2018, then notwithstanding 1 V.S.A. § 214, Sec. 2 shall apply retroactively to June 1, 2018.

Date Governor signed bill: May 30, 2018