

1 TO THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES:

2 The Committee on Judiciary to which was referred House Bill No. 553
3 entitled “An act relating to eligibility of domestic partners for reimbursement
4 from the Victims Compensation Program” respectfully reports that it has
5 considered the same and recommends that the bill be amended in Sec. 1,
6 13 V.S.A. § 5351, in subdivision (2), after the period, by adding “To qualify as
7 a domestic partner, a couple shall share a residence for at least six months prior
8 to applying; be 18 years of age or older; not be married to anyone; and not be
9 related by blood and, therefore, prohibited from legally marrying one another
10 by 15 V.S.A. § 1a.”

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(Committee vote: _____)

Representative _____
FOR THE COMMITTEE