

1 TO THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES:

2 The Committee on General, Housing, and Military Affairs to which was
3 referred House Bill No. 477 entitled “An act relating to leave for crime
4 victims” respectfully reports that it has considered the same and recommends
5 that the bill be amended by striking out all after the enacting clause and
6 inserting in lieu thereof the following:

7 Sec. 1. 21 V.S.A. § 472c is amended to read:

8 § 472c. LEAVE; CRIME VICTIMS

9 (a) As used in this section:

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11 (2) “Employee” means a person who ~~is a crime victim as defined in~~
12 ~~section 495d of this chapter and~~, in consideration of direct or indirect gain or
13 profit, has been continuously employed by the same employer for a period of
14 six months for an average of at least 20 hours per week.

15 (3) “Victim” has the same meaning as in 13 V.S.A. § 5301.

16 (b) In addition to the leave provided in section 472 of this title, an
17 employee shall be entitled to take unpaid leave from employment for the
18 purpose of attending a deposition or court proceeding related to:

19 (1) a criminal proceeding, when the employee is ~~a victim as defined in~~
20 ~~13 V.S.A. § 5301~~ identified as the alleged victim of the crime in an affidavit
21 filed by a law enforcement official with a prosecuting attorney of competent

1 state or federal jurisdiction and the employee has a right or obligation to appear
2 at the proceeding;

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4 Sec. 2. EFFECTIVE DATE

5 This act shall take effect on passage.

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11 (Committee vote: _____)

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FOR THE COMMITTEE