

1 Sec. X. EXECUTIVE BRANCH FEES; PROPOSED INCREASES; REPORT

2 (a) The Commissioner of Finance and Management shall identify all
3 existing Executive Branch fees under 32 V.S.A. chapter 7, subchapter 6 that
4 have not been changed or reauthorized in two or more years.

5 (b) For the fees described in subsection (a) of this section, the
6 Commissioner of Finance and Management shall prepare a report with the
7 following information:

8 (1) the relationship between the revenue to be raised by the fee and the
9 cost to provide the service, product, or regulatory function supported by the
10 fee;

11 (2) the inflationary pressures that have arisen since the fee was last set;

12 (3) the effect on budgetary adequacy if the fee is not increased;

13 (4) the existence of comparable fees in other jurisdictions; and

14 (5) policies that might affect the acceptance or the viability of the fee
15 amount.

16 (c) On or before January 15, 2022, the Commissioner of Finance and
17 Management shall submit a copy of the report described in subsection (b) of
18 this section to the House Committee on Government Operations and on Ways
19 and Means, and the Senate Committee on Finance and on Government
20 Operations. The report shall include a proposal to increase any fee identified
21 in subsection (b) where the revenue raised by the fee does not account for the
22 cost of providing the service, product, or regulatory function supported by that
23 fee.