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Representatives Marcotte of Coventry, Jerome of Brandon, Kimbell of Woodstock, Kitzmiller of Montpelier, Mulvaney-Stanak of Burlington, Nicoll of Ludlow, Nigro of Bennington, and White of Bethel move that the bill be amended in Sec. 2, 30 V.S.A. § 8083, by striking out subsection (c) in its entirety and inserting in lieu thereof a new subsection (c) to read as follows:

(c) In making appointments of public members, the appointing authorities shall coordinate to ensure that at least one of the public members has expertise in the area of finance. In addition, the appointing authorities shall give consideration to persons with knowledge of communications technology; communications law and policy; broadband deployment in rural, high-cost areas; and electric utility law and policy. However, the public members may not be persons with a financial interest in or owners, employees, or members of a governing board of an Internet service provider or a communications union district. The conflict of interest provision in this subsection shall not be construed to disqualify a member who has ownership in a mutual fund, exchange traded fund, pension plan, or similar entity that owns shares in such enterprises as part of a broadly diversified portfolio.