

1 TO THE HONORABLE SENATE:

2 The Committee on Judiciary to which was referred Senate Bill No. 30
3 entitled “An act relating to prohibiting possession of firearms at childcare
4 facilities, hospitals, and certain public buildings” respectfully reports that it has
5 considered the same and recommends that the bill be amended by striking out
6 all after the enacting clause and inserting in lieu thereof the following:

7 Sec. 1. 13 V.S.A. § 4023 is added to read:

8 § 4023. POSSESSION OF FIREARMS IN HOSPITAL BUILDINGS

9 PROHIBITED

10 (a) A person shall not knowingly possess a firearm while within a hospital
11 building.

12 (b) A person who violates this section shall be imprisoned for not more
13 than one year or fined not more than \$1,000.00, or both.

14 (c) This section shall not apply to a firearm possessed by a federal law
15 enforcement officer or a law enforcement officer certified as a law
16 enforcement officer by the Vermont Criminal Justice Training Council
17 pursuant to 20 V.S.A. § 2358, for legitimate law enforcement purposes.

18 (d) Notice of the provisions of this section shall be posted conspicuously at
19 each public entrance to each hospital.

20 (e) As used in this section:

1 (1) “Firearm” has the same meaning as in subsection 4017(d) of this
2 title.

3 (2) “Hospital” has the same meaning as in 18 V.S.A. § 1902.

4 Sec. 2. CAPITOL COMPLEX SECURITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE;

5 REPORT ON FIREARMS IN STATE HOUSE

6 On or before December 1, 2021, the Capitol Complex Security Advisory
7 Committee shall report to the Joint Justice Oversight Committee on the
8 regulation of firearms in the Capitol Complex as defined in 29 V.S.A. § 182.

9 The report shall:

10 (1) summarize how the possession of firearms at the Capitol Complex is
11 currently regulated, including pursuant to Rule 26 of the Joint Rules of the
12 Senate and House of Representatives;

13 (2) describe situations when persons have impermissibly possessed
14 firearms at the Capitol Complex in the past and how these situations are
15 typically handled; and

16 (3) recommend whether and how the issue of firearms at the Capitol
17 Complex should be addressed in legislation.

18 Sec. 3. EFFECTIVE DATE

19 This act shall take effect on July 1, 2021.

20 and that after passage the title of the bill be amended to read: “An act
21 relating to prohibiting possession of firearms within hospital buildings”

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(Committee vote: _____)

Senator _____

FOR THE COMMITTEE