

1 TO THE HONORABLE SENATE:

2 The Committee on Appropriations to which was referred Senate Bill No.
3 148 entitled “An act relating to environmental justice in Vermont” respectfully
4 reports that it has considered the same and recommends that the report of the
5 Committee on Natural Resources and Energy be amended by striking out Sec.
6 4, appropriation; positions, in its entirety and inserting in lieu thereof the
7 following:

8 Sec. 4. APPROPRIATIONS

9 (a) There is appropriated the sum of \$500,000.00 in fiscal year 2023 from
10 the General Fund to the Agency of Natural Resources for the cost of
11 developing the mapping tool required in 3 V.S.A. § 6005.

12 (b) There is appropriated the sum of \$200,000.00 in fiscal year 2023 from
13 the General Fund to the Agency of Natural Resources to fund two positions to
14 assist in the development of the environmental justice policy and support the
15 Environmental Justice Advisory Council. This shall fund an existing position
16 in the Agency and a second position which the Agency is authorized to
17 repurpose from an existing vacant position.

18 (Committee vote: _____)

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20 Senator _____

21 FOR THE COMMITTEE