

1 TO THE HONORABLE SENATE:

2 The Committee on Government Operations to which was referred Senate
3 Bill No. 172 entitled “An act relating to authorizing alternative procedures for
4 2022 annual municipal meetings in response to COVID-19” respectfully
5 reports that it has considered the same and recommends that the bill be
6 amended in Sec. 2, (annual meetings in the year 2022; alternative procedures),
7 immediately following subsection (e), by inserting a subsection (f) to read:

8 (f) The provisions of 17 V.S.A. 2680(e) shall apply to any municipality that
9 votes to hold the 2022 annual municipal meeting by Australian ballot pursuant
10 to subsection (a) to this act. A municipality shall not warn any question on
11 whether the municipality shall adopt the Australian ballot method of voting on
12 a permanent basis, for any or all articles, for any subsequent municipal
13 elections.

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15 (Committee vote: _____)

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Senator _____

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FOR THE COMMITTEE