

1 TO THE HONORABLE SENATE:

2 The Committee on Judiciary to which was referred Senate Bill No. 178  
3 entitled “An act relating to supermajority verdicts in civil trials” respectfully  
4 reports that it has considered the same and recommends that the bill be  
5 amended by striking out all after the enacting clause and inserting in lieu  
6 thereof the following:

7 Sec. 1. 12 V.S.A. § 1950 is added to read:

8 § 1950. VERDICT; EIGHTY PERCENT SUPERMAJORITY REQUIRED

9 Unless the parties stipulate otherwise, a verdict or finding agreed to by at  
10 least eighty percent of the total number of jurors serving on a jury in a civil  
11 trial shall be taken as the verdict or finding of the jury.

12 Sec. 2. EFFECTIVE DATE

13 This act shall take effect on July 1, 2022.

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Senator \_\_\_\_\_

FOR THE COMMITTEE