

Suggested changes to [House-passed H.518.](#):

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Section 2 (b)

-rewrite to allow BGS to use existing retainer contracts in order to conduct assessments described in subsection (a) of this section.

-Add new Subsection 2 (g):

(g) Coordination. BGS shall formally coordinate with Efficiency Vermont on the following components of the program: outlining BGS job descriptions to ensure role clarity, setting up the program processes to create consistency with other ongoing programs, and identifying relevant projects through field work and outreach to drive program participation. Efficiency Vermont, the Department of Public Service, and the PUC are directed to implement a streamlined process for sharing project-level details with the relevant RPC of jurisdiction for each municipality considering a project under this section.

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Section 3(a)(1)

As House-passed:

(1) make recommendations to municipalities on the use of more efficient **renewable or electric** heating systems; and

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Section 3(a)(C)(1)(A)

(A) not more than \$250,000.00 to each covered municipality for approved projects for weatherization, thermal efficiency, to supplement or replace fossil fuel heating systems with more efficient **renewable or electric** heating systems, and any other expenditures necessary for the project to be eligible for funding under federal law and guidelines; and

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Section 4(2)(C)

(B) \$40,000,000.00 for grants to covered municipalities for weatherization, thermal efficiency, and to supplement or replace ~~less-efficient~~ heating systems **with more efficient renewable or electric heating systems.**