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Act No. 126 (S.114). An act relating to the establishment of the Psychedelic Therapy Advisory Working Group

Subjects: Crimes; regulated drugs; psychedelics

This act creates the Psychedelic Therapy Advisory Working Group for the purpose of reviewing existing research on the cost-benefit profile of the use of psychedelics to improve mental health and to make findings and recommendations regarding the advisability of the establishment of a State program to permit health care providers to administer psychedelics in a therapeutic setting and the impact on public health of allowing individuals to legally access psychedelics under State law.

The Working Group is required to submit a written report, on or before November 15, 2024, to the House and Senate Committees on Judiciary, the House Committee on Health Care, the House Committee on Human Services, and the Senate Committee on Health and Welfare with its findings and any recommendations for legislative action. The Working Group will have the assistance of the Vermont Department of Mental Health, in collaboration with the Vermont Psychological Association, for purposes of scheduling and staffing meetings and developing and submitting the report.

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