

1 H.110

2 Introduced by Representative Sibia of Dover

3 Referred to Committee on

4 Date:

5 Subject: Public service; telecommunications; siting

6 Statement of purpose of bill as introduced: This bill proposes to extend the
7 sunset on applications under 30 V.S.A. § 248a, the statute that governs the
8 siting of telecommunications facilities, for an additional three years.

9 An act relating to extending the sunset under 30 V.S.A. § 248a

10 It is hereby enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Vermont:

11 ~~Sec. 1. 30 V.S.A. § 248a is amended to read:~~

12 § 248a. CERTIFICATE OF PUBLIC GOOD FOR COMMUNICATIONS
13 FACILITIES

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Sec. 2. SECTION 248a REPORT

On or before January 15, 2024, the Commissioner of Public Service in consultation with the Public Utility Commission shall report to the Senate Committee on Finance and the House Committee on Environment and Energy on the process of siting telecommunications facilities under 30 V.S.A. § 248a. The report shall address how to make the process easier to participate in for municipalities and individuals, how to encourage municipal participation, and recommend any necessary updates to 30 V.S.A. § 248a. The Commissioner shall hear from the Vermont League of Cities and Towns, the utilities, and any other interested parties.

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