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2 Introduced by Representatives Wood of Waterbury and Stevens of Waterbury

3 Referred to Committee on

4 Date:

5 Subject: Municipal government; municipal charters; Town of Waterbury;  
6 adoption

7 Statement of purpose of bill as introduced: This bill proposes to approve the  
8 adoption of the charter of the Town of Waterbury. This bill also proposes to  
9 authorize the Town Selectboard to adopt a local option tax.

10 An act relating to approval of the adoption of the charter of the Town of  
11 Waterbury

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

13 Sec. 1. CHARTER ADOPTION APPROVAL

14 The General Assembly approves the adoption of the charter of the Town of  
15 Waterbury as set forth in this act. The voters approved the charter proposal on  
16 December 5, 2023.

17 Sec. 2. 24 App. V.S.A. chapter 159 is added to read:

18 CHAPTER 159. TOWN OF WATERBURY

19 § 1. LOCAL OPTION TAX

The Town Selectboard is authorized to levy a one percent tax on sales, meals and alcoholic beverages, and rooms. *A tax imposed under the authority of this section shall be collected and administered by the Department of Taxes pursuant to 24 V.S.A. § 138.*

1     § 2. MUNICIPAL MANAGER; AUTHORITY

2             The Municipal Manager shall have the authority to hire, appoint, discipline,  
3             and remove all Town employees, subject to the provisions of personnel rules  
4             approved by the Selectboard. The Municipal Manager may authorize a  
5             department head to hire, appoint, discipline, or remove an employee, subject to  
6             the Manager’s discretion and supervision. The Municipal Manager’s  
7             appointment of a department head shall be approved by the Selectboard.

8     Sec. 3. REDESIGNATIONS

9             The following chapters of Title 24 Appendix are redesignated:

- 10            (1) chapter 155A (Town of Waitsfield) is redesignated as chapter 157;  
11            (2) chapter 155B (Town of West Fairlee) is redesignated as chapter 161;  
12            (3) chapter 155C (Town of Westford) is redesignated as chapter 163;  
13            (4) chapter 155D (Town of Westminster) is redesignated as chapter 165;  
14            (5) chapter 155F (Town of Weybridge) is redesignated as chapter 167;  
15            (6) chapter 155G (Town of Williamstown) is redesignated as chapter  
16            169;  
17            (7) chapter 156 (Town of Williston) is redesignated as chapter 171;

1           (8) chapter 157 (Town of Windsor) is redesignated as chapter 173; and

2           (9) chapter 162 (Town of Woodford) is redesignated as chapter 175.

3       Sec. 4. EFFECTIVE DATE

4           This act shall take effect on passage.