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1	TO THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES:
2	The Committee on Ways and Means to which was referred House Bill No.
3	247 entitled "An act relating to Vermont's adoption of the Occupational
4	Therapy Licensure Compact" respectfully reports that it has considered the
5	same and recommends that the bill as amended by the Committee on Health
6	Care be further amended by adding two new sections to be Secs. 3 and 4 to
7	read as follows:
8	Sec. 3. 3 V.S.A. § $123(j)(1)$ is amended to read:
9	(j)(1) The Office may inquire into the criminal background histories of
10	applicants for initial licensure and for license renewal of any Office-issued
11	credential, including a license, certification, registration, or specialty
12	designation for the following professions:
13	* * *
14	(I) speech-language pathologists licensed under 26 V.S.A. chapter
15	87; <del>and</del>
16	(J) occupational therapists licensed under 26 V.S.A. chapter 71; and
17	$(\underline{K})$ individuals registered on the roster of psychotherapists who are
18	nonlicensed and noncertified.
19	Sec. 4. 3 V.S.A. § 125(b) is amended to read:

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1	(b) Unless otherwise provided by law, the following fees shall apply to all
2	professions regulated by the Director in consultation with advisor appointees
3	under Title 26:
4	* * *
5	(4) Biennial renewal, \$275.00, except biennial renewal for:
6	* * *
7	(B) Occupational therapists and assistants, \$180.00, except that a
8	licensee of a remote state under the Occupational Therapy Licensure Compact
9	established in 26 V.S.A. chapter 71, subchapter 2 shall pay a biennial \$50.00
10	privilege to practice fee.
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12	And by renumbering the existing Sec. 3, effective date, to be Sec. 5
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17	(Committee vote:)
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19	Representative
20	FOR THE COMMITTEE