

1 TO THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES:

2 The Committee on Government Operations and Military Affairs to which  
3 was referred House Bill No. 490 entitled “An act relating to approving the  
4 merger of the Village of Lyndonville with the Town of Lyndon” respectfully  
5 reports that it has considered the same and recommends that the bill be  
6 amended as follows:

7 First: In Sec. 2, 24 App. V.S.A. chapter 126 (Town of Lyndon), in section  
8 12, in subsection (b), following the words “shall take effect on the” by striking  
9 out “30th” and inserting in lieu thereof “60th”

10 Second: In Sec. 2, 24 App. V.S.A. chapter 126 (Town of Lyndon), by  
11 striking out section 14 (penalties for violation of an ordinance) in its entirety  
12 and inserting in lieu thereof a new section 14 to read as follows:

13 § 14. COVERED BRIDGES; PENALTY FOR VIOLATION OF LEGAL  
14 LIMITS

15 Notwithstanding 23 V.S.A. § 1434, the Town may adopt an ordinance  
16 governing operator damage to covered bridges that provides for a civil penalty  
17 of not more than \$10,000.00 or an amount equal to the costs of repairing the  
18 damage to the covered bridge.

19 Third: In Sec. 2, 24 App. V.S.A. chapter 126 (Town of Lyndon), in section  
20 27 (other elected town officers), in subdivision (c)(3), following the  
21 subdivision heading, by striking out “With the approval of the Selectboard, the

1 Board of Listers” and inserting in lieu thereof the words “The Selectboard”  
2 before the words “may appoint”

3 Fourth: In Sec. 2, 24 App. V.S.A. chapter 126 (Town of Lyndon), by  
4 striking out section 33 in its entirety and inserting in lieu thereof a new section  
5 33 to read as follows:

6 § 33. SELECTBOARD MEETINGS

7 (a) As soon as possible after the election of the Chair and Vice Chair, the  
8 Selectboard shall fix the time and place of its regular meetings. The  
9 Selectboard shall meet at least twice each month, except when the Selectboard  
10 determines that the then-pending business does not require a meeting.

11 (b) The Selectboard shall determine its own rules and order of business.

12 (c) A majority of the members of the Selectboard shall constitute a quorum.  
13 The act of the majority of the members of the Selectboard present at a meeting  
14 shall constitute the act of the Selectboard.

15 (d) All meetings of the Selectboard shall be open to the public unless the  
16 Selectboard votes to go into executive session in accordance with the  
17 provisions of 1 V.S.A. chapter 5.

18 (e) Except in cases of emergency meetings, the agenda of the Selectboard’s  
19 meetings shall be made available to the public at least 24 hours prior to the  
20 meeting and posted in the Town Clerk’s office.

1        Fifth: In Sec. 2, 24 App. V.S.A. chapter 126 (Town of Lyndon), in section  
2        42 (Town meetings), in subsection (b), following the words “The ballot boxes  
3        at” by striking out the words “any election” and inserting in lieu thereof the  
4        words “Town elections” before the words “shall be open”

5        Sixth: In Sec. 2, 24 App. V.S.A. chapter 126 (Town of Lyndon), in section  
6        61 (fiscal year), following the words “shall commence on the first day of  
7        January” by striking out “and end at 12:00 midnight on the last day of the  
8        following December” before the period.

9        Seventh: In Sec. 2, 24 App. V.S.A. chapter 126 (Town of Lyndon), by  
10       striking out section 63 (public meeting on proposed budget) in its entirety and  
11       inserting in lieu thereof the following:

12       § 63. [RESERVED]

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14       (Committee vote: \_\_\_\_\_)

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FOR THE COMMITTEE