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Landlord-Tenant Law Study Committee

October 22, 2024

Election of Chair



Statutory Charge

No. 181, Sec. 113.
LANDLORD-TENANT LAW;
STUDY COMMITTEE; REPORT

(a) Creation.

There is created the Landlord-Tenant Law Study Committee to review and consider modernizing the landlord-tenant laws and evictions processes in Vermont.

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- (c) Powers and duties. The Committee shall study issues with Vermont's landlord-tenant laws and current evictions process, including the following issues:
- (1) whether Vermont's landlord-tenant laws require modernization;
 - (2) the impact of evictions policies on rental housing availability;
 - (3) whether current termination notice periods and evictions processing timelines reflect the appropriate balance between landlord and tenant interests;
 - (4) practical obstacles to the removal of unlawful occupants; and
 - (5) whether existing bases for termination are properly utilized, including specifically 9 V.S.A. § 4467(b)(2) (termination for criminal activity, illegal drug activity, or acts of violence).

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(e) Report.

On or before December 15, 2024, the Committee shall report to the Senate Committee on Economic Development, Housing and General Affairs with its findings and any recommendations for legislative action, which may be in the form of proposed legislation.

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