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2 Senator Starr moves that the report of the Committee on Appropriations be
3 amended as follows:

4 First: In Sec. C.114, in subsection (b), by striking out subdivision (2) in its
5 entirety and inserting a new subdivision (2) to read as follows:

6 (2) the farm shipped organic milk or processed its own organic milk
7 under the requirements of 6 V.S.A. chapter 151 during calendar year 2022 and
8 provides documentation to the Agency of Agriculture, Food and Markets of the
9 amount of organic milk shipped or processed during calendar year 2022 per
10 hundredweight;

11 Second: In Sec. C.114, by striking out subsection (c) in its entirety and
12 inserting in lieu thereof a new subsection (c) to read as follows:

13 (c) The Agency of Agriculture, Food and Markets shall award eligible
14 organic dairy farms financial assistance in the form of a grant in the amount of
15 \$5 per hundredweight of organic milk shipped or sold by the organic dairy
16 farm in calendar year 2022. Once the Agency of Agriculture, Food and
17 Markets determines that applications under this section are administratively
18 complete, the Agency shall process applications for payment in their order of
19 receipt. If all funds appropriated for implementation of this section are
20 awarded by the Agency, no further awards shall be made. If any funds
21 appropriated for implementation of this section remain after all timely

1 applications are processed, the remaining funds shall be transferred to the
2 Working Lands Enterprise Fund not later than December 31, 2023 for
3 distribution by the Working Lands Enterprise Board.

4 Second: In Sec. B.1101, in subdivision (f)(5), after “a pilot program to
5 award” and before “for the use of virtual fences” by striking out “grants” and
6 inserting in lieu thereof a grant