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2 Senator Lyons moves that the report of the Committee on Health and  
3 Welfare be amended as follows:

4 First: By striking out Sec. 5, Blueprint for Health; Department of Vermont  
5 Health Access; update, in its entirety and inserting in lieu thereof a new Sec. 5  
6 to read as follows:

7 Sec. 5. BLUEPRINT FOR HEALTH; PAYMENTS TO PATIENT-  
8 CENTERED MEDICAL HOMES; REPORT

9 On or before January 15, 2024, the Director of Health Care Reform in the  
10 Agency of Human Services shall recommend to the House Committees on  
11 Health Care and on Appropriations and the Senate Committees on Health and  
12 Welfare, on Appropriations, and on Finance the amounts by which health  
13 insurers and Vermont Medicaid should increase the amount of the per-person,  
14 per-month payments they make to Blueprint for Health patient-centered  
15 medical homes in furtherance of the goal of providing the additional resources  
16 necessary for delivery of comprehensive primary care services to Vermonters  
17 and in order to sustain access to primary care services in Vermont. The  
18 Agency shall provide an estimate of the State funding that would be needed to  
19 support the increase for Medicaid, both with and without federal financial  
20 participation. The Agency shall also evaluate and report on potential  
21 mechanisms for ensuring that all payers are contributing equitably to the

1 Blueprint on behalf of their covered lives in Vermont, including a  
2 consideration of supporting Blueprint initiatives through the health care claims  
3 tax established in 32 V.S.A. chapter 243.

4 Second: By inserting a new Sec. 8 to read as follows:

5 Sec. 8. 2022 Acts and Resolves No. 167, Sec. 2a is added to read:

6 Sec. 2a. GREEN MOUNTAIN CARE BOARD; HOSPITAL SYSTEM  
7 TRANSFORMATION; PILOT PROJECTS; REPORT

8 (a) The Agency of Human Services shall engage in transformation planning  
9 with up to four hospitals, or other number of hospitals if possible with alternate  
10 funds, to reduce inefficiencies, lower costs, improve population health  
11 outcomes, reduce health inequities, and increase access to essential services  
12 while maintaining sufficient capacity for emergency management. The  
13 transformation planning shall be informed by the data analysis and community  
14 engagement required in Sec. 2 of this act. The Secretary of Human Services or  
15 designee and the Chair and staff of the Green Mountain Care Board shall  
16 consult with each other on the engagements in this section and the data  
17 analysis and community engagement required in Sec. 2 of this act to ensure the  
18 work is aligned.

19 (b) On or before February 15, 2024, the Agency of Human Services shall  
20 update the Senate Committee on Health and Welfare and the House Committee  
21 on Health Care on the progress of this work.

1           and by renumbering the remaining section to be numerically correct.