TO THE HONORABLE SENATE:
The Committee on Health and Welfare recommends to the Committee on Economic Development, Housing and General Affairs that House Bill No. 270 entitled "An act relating to miscellaneous amendments to the adult-use and medical cannabis programs" be amended as follows:

First: In Sec. 13, 7 V.S.A. chapter 35, in section 954, in subsection (b), by striking out the last sentence and adding subsection (e) to read as follows:
(e) Medicaid funds shall not be used to support a caregiver in the cultivation or distribution of cannabis on behalf of a patient.

Second: By adding Secs. 14a-14c to read as follows:
Sec. 14a. 33 V.S.A. § 4919 is amended to read:
§ 4919. DISCLOSURE OF REGISTRY RECORDS
(a) The Commissioner may disclose a Registry record only as follows:
(11) To the Cannabis Control Board, in accordance with the provisions
of 7 V.S.A. § 954.

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Sec. 14b. 33 V.S.A. § 6911 is amended to read:
§ 6911. RECORDS OF ABUSE, NEGLECT, AND EXPLOITATION
(c) The Commissioner or designee may disclose Registry information only
to:
(12) The Cannabis Control Board for the purpose of evaluating an individual's suitability to be a registered caregiver under 7 V.S.A. $\S 954$. ***

Sec. 14c. 7 V.S.A. § 974 is amended to read:
§ 974. RULEMAKING
(a)(1) The Board shall adopt rules to implement and administer this chapter. In adoption of rules, the Board shall strive for consistency with rules adopted for cannabis establishments pursuant to chapter 33 of this title where appropriate. No rule shall be more restrictive than any rule adopted by the Department of Public Safety pursuant to 18 V.S.A. chapter 86.


Third: By striking out Sec. 15, effective date, in its entirety and inserting in lieu thereof the following:

## Sec. 15. EFFECTIVE DATES

(a) This section and Sec. 13 shall take effect on passage.
(b) Secs. 1-12 and 14-14c shall take effect on July 1, 2023.
(Committee vote: $\qquad$
$\qquad$ FOR THE COMMITTEE

