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| 1 | TO THE HONORABLE SENATE: |
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| 2 | The Committee on Finance to which was referred Senate Bill No. 878 entitled |
| 3 | "An act relating to miscellaneous judiciary procedures" respectfully reports |
| 4 | that it has considered the same and recommends that that the report of the |
| 5 | Committee on Judiciary be amended by striking out Secs. 42, 43, and 44 in |
| 6 | their entireties and inserting in lieu thereof new Secs. 42, 43, and 44 to read as |
| 7 | follows: |
| 8 | Sec. 42. [Deleted.] |
| 9 | Sec. 43. 32 V.S.A. § 9617 is amended to read: |
| 10 | § 9617. NOTICES; APPEALS |
| 11 | Unless otherwise provided by this title: |
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| 13 | (8)(A) At any time within three years after the date a property is |
| 14 | transferred, a taxpayer may petition the Commissioner in writing for the refund |
| 15 | of all or any part of the amount of tax paid. The Commissioner shall thereafter |
| 16 | grant a hearing subject to the provisions of 3 V.S.A chapter 25 upon the matter |
| 17 | and notify the taxpayer in writing of the Commissioner's determination |
| 18 | concerning the refund request. The Commissioner's determination may be |
| 19 | appealed as provided in subdivision (5) of this section. This shall be a |
| 20 | taxpayer's exclusive remedy with respect to the refund of taxes under this |

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| 1 | chapter, except as provided under subdivision (B) of this subsection |
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| 2 | subdivision (8). |
| 3 | (B) If the transfer taxed by this chapter was an enhanced life estate |
| 4 | interest and that interest is revoked or revised pursuant to 27 V.S.A. chapter 6, |
| 5 | the person who paid the tax may petition for a refund, provided that the |
| 6 | petition is made within eight years after the date of payment of the tax and |
| 7 | within one year at any time after the date of revocation or revision. No petition |
| 8 | for a refund shall be granted for the revocation or revision of an interest that |
| 9 | occurred eight years or more after the date of payment of the tax. In the case |
| 10 | of a revision, the revised enhanced life estate interest transfer shall be subject |
| 11 | to tax under this chapter. |
| 12 | Sec. 44. [Deleted.] |
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| 17 | (Committee vote:) |
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| 20 | FOR THE COMMITTEE |