

Current Law	S.64/House’s Proposal of Amendment S.280 (2022) ¹	Senate’s Proposal of Amendment S.280 (2022)
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¹ Note: The House’s Proposal of Amendment for S.280 (2022) did not include the addition of “Vermont” before “Climate Action Plan.” The name of the Vermont Climate Action Plan is a technical correction that was found and made in the drafting of S.64.

<p>(b) The Agency shall coordinate planning and education efforts with those of the Vermont Climate Change Oversight Committee and those of local and regional planning entities :</p> <p>(1) to ensure that the transportation system as a whole is integrated; that access to the transportation system as a whole is integrated; and that statewide, local, and regional conservation and efficiency opportunities and practices are integrated; and</p> <p>(2) to support employer-led or local or regional government-led conservation, efficiency, rideshare, and bicycle programs and other innovative transportation advances, especially employer-based incentives.</p>	<p><u>Global Warming Solutions Act, codified at 10 V.S.A. § 578, and ensure that there is an environmentally clean, efficient, multimodal system that will have economic, environmental, equity, and public health benefits for all Vermonters; and</u></p> <p><u>(4) the importance of transportation infrastructure resilience and strategies to construct or retrofit, or both, transportation infrastructure to prepare for and adapt to changes in the climate; add redundancy and efficiency to the transportation network; and use maintenance and operational strategies to address transportation disruptions.</u></p> <p>(b) The Agency shall coordinate planning and education efforts with those of the Vermont Climate Change Oversight Committee <u>Council, established under 10 V.S.A. § 591,</u> and those of local and regional planning entities <u>to:</u></p> <p>(1) to ensure that the transportation system as a whole is integrated; that access to the transportation system as a whole is integrated; and that statewide, local, and regional conservation and efficiency opportunities and practices are integrated; and</p> <p>(2) to support employer-led or local or regional government-led conservation, efficiency, rideshare, and bicycle programs and other innovative transportation advances, especially employer-based incentives.</p>	<p>(b) The Agency shall coordinate planning and education efforts with those of the Vermont Climate Change Oversight Committee and those of local and regional planning entities to:</p> <p>(1) to ensure that the transportation system as a whole is integrated, that access to the transportation system as a whole is integrated, and that statewide, local, and regional conservation and efficiency opportunities and practices are integrated; and</p> <p>(2) to support employer-led or local or regional government-led conservation, efficiency, rideshare, and bicycle programs and other innovative transportation advances, especially employer-based incentives.</p>
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