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2 An act relating to service of writs of possession

3 It is hereby enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Vermont:

4 Sec. 1. 12 V.S.A. § 4854 is amended to read:

5 § 4854. JUDGMENT FOR PLAINTIFF; WRIT OF POSSESSION

6 If the court finds that the plaintiff is entitled to possession of the premises,
7 the plaintiff shall have judgment for possession and rents due, damages, and
8 costs, and when a written rental agreement so provides, the court may award
9 reasonable attorney's fees. A writ of possession shall issue on the date
10 judgment is entered, unless the court for good cause orders a stay. The writ
11 shall direct ~~the any sheriff of the county in which the property or a portion~~
12 ~~thereof is located~~ to serve the writ upon the defendant and, not earlier than 14
13 days after the writ is served, to put the plaintiff into possession.

14 Sec. 2. EFFECTIVE DATE

15 This act shall take effect on passage.