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SHORT FORM

Introduced by Representatives McFaun of Barre Town, Berbeco of Winooski,
Black of Essex, Boutin of Barre City, Charlton of Chester, Cina
of Burlington, Coffin of Cavendish, Dobrovich of
Williamstown, Dolgin of St. Johnsbury, Galfetti of Barre Town,
Gregoire of Fairfield, Higley of Lowell, Labor of Morgan,
Maguire of Rutland City, Malay of Pittsford, Morrissey of
Bennington, Nielsen of Brandon, North of Ferrisburgh, Noyes
of Wolcott, Olson of Starksboro, Page of Newport City, Parsons
of Newbury, Powers of Waterford, Tagliavia of Corinth, Winter
of Ludlow, and Wood of Waterbury

Referred to Committee on

Date:

Subject: Human services; Human Services Board; fair hearing proceedings

Statement of purpose of bill as introduced: This bill proposes to require that
the Human Services Board implement transparent, user-friendly fair hearing
proceedings, including:

- (1) allowing an aggrieved applicant an opportunity to speak for a
reasonable period of time without interruption from the hearing officer or
attorney for the agency; and

1 (2) requiring the hearing officer and attorney for the agency to speak in
2 plain language and refrain from use of legalese.

3 An act relating to Human Services Board fair hearing proceedings

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

5 (TEXT OMITTED IN SHORT-FORM BILLS)