

1 H.740
2 Introduced by Representative James of Manchester
3 Referred to Committee on
4 Date:
5 Subject: Conservation and development; air pollution; greenhouse gases;
6 greenhouse gas inventory and registry
7 Statement of purpose of bill as introduced: This bill proposes to give the
8 Agency of Natural Resources additional authority to collect data for the
9 greenhouse gas inventory and registry.

10 An act relating to the greenhouse gas inventory and registry
11 It is hereby enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Vermont:
12 Sec. 1. 10 V.S.A. § 582 is amended to read:
13 § 582. GREENHOUSE GAS INVENTORIES; REGISTRY

14 * * *
15 (e) Rules.

16 (1) The Secretary may adopt rules to implement the provisions of this
17 section and shall review existing and proposed international, federal, and State
18 greenhouse gas emission reporting programs and make reasonable efforts to
19 promote consistency among the programs established pursuant to this section
20 and other programs, and to streamline reporting requirements on greenhouse

1 gas emission sources. Except as provided in subsection (g) of this section,
2 nothing in this section shall limit a State agency from adopting any rule within
3 its authority.

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12 Sec. 2. RULEMAKING

13 On or before March 1, 2027, the Secretary of Natural Resources shall
14 submit to the Legislative Committee on Administrative Rules proposed final
15 rules for greenhouse gas reporting as required under 10 V.S.A. § 582(e)(2).

16 Sec. 3. APPROPRIATION

17 In fiscal year 2027, the sum of \$800,000.00 is appropriated from the
18 General Fund to the Secretary of Natural Resources to be used to draft the
19 greenhouse gas emission reporting rules, to develop a greenhouse gas emission
20 source database, and to fund staff time on emission source data collection.

1 Sec. 4. EFFECTIVE DATE

2 This act shall take effect on passage.