

1 H.723

2 Introduced by Representatives Eastes of Guilford, Bishop of Colchester,

3 Harple of Glover, Satcowitz of Randolph, and Stevens of

4 Waterbury

5 Referred to Committee on

6 Date:

7 Subject: Conservation and development; private preserves; fish and wildlife;

8 posting of land; requirements for posting

9 Statement of purpose of bill as introduced: This bill proposes to amend the

10 requirements for the posting of land against hunting and fishing to clarify that

11 “posting annually” means posting once every 12 months.

12 An act relating to posting of land

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

14 Sec. 1. 10 V.S.A. § 5201 is amended to read:

15 § 5201. NOTICES; POSTING

16 (a)(1) An owner, or a person having the exclusive right to take game upon

17 land or the waters thereon, who desires to protect ~~his or her~~ the owner's land or

18 private pond or propagation farm over which ~~he or she~~ the owner has exclusive

19 control may maintain notices stating that:

5 (C) fishing, hunting, trapping, or taking of game is prohibited or is by
6 permission only.

10 (b) Notices prohibiting the taking of game shall be erected upon or near the
11 boundaries of lands to be affected with notices at each corner and not over 400
12 feet apart along the boundaries thereof. Legible signs must be maintained at
13 all times and shall be dated each year. These signs shall be of a standard size
14 and design as the Commissioner shall specify.

1 approximate number of acres posted, location in town, date of posting, and
2 signature of person so posting the lands. The town clerk shall file the record,
3 and it shall be open to public inspection. The town clerk shall retain a fee of
4 \$5.00 for this recording.

5 (d) Land posted as provided in subsection (b) of this section shall be
6 enclosed land for the purposes herein.

7 Sec. 2. EFFECTIVE DATE

8 This act shall take effect on July 1, 2026.