

1 TO THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES:

2 The Committee on Environment to which was referred Senate Bill No. 325  
3 entitled “An act relating to regional planning and Act 250 Tier jurisdiction”  
4 respectfully reports that it has considered the same and recommends that the  
5 House propose to the Senate that the bill be amended by striking out all after  
6 the enacting clause and inserting in lieu thereof the following:

7 \* \* \* Act 181 Repeals \* \* \*

8 Sec. 1. 2024 Acts and Resolves No. 181, Sec. 19 (road jurisdiction) is  
9 amended to read:

10 Sec. 19. [Deleted.]

11 Sec. 2. 2024 Acts and Resolves No. 181, Sec. 21 (Tiers 2 and 3) is amended to  
12 read:

13 Sec. 21. [Deleted.]

14 Sec. 3. 2024 Acts and Resolves No. 181, Sec. 114 is amended to read:

15 Sec. 114. EFFECTIVE DATES

16 This act shall take effect on passage, except that:

17 (1) Secs. 12 (10 V.S.A. § 6001); and 13 (10 V.S.A. § 6086(a)(8)); ~~and~~  
18 ~~21 (10 V.S.A. § 6001)~~ shall take effect on ~~December 31, 2026~~ January 1, 2028;

19 (2) ~~Sec. 19 (10 V.S.A. § 6001(3)(A)(xii))~~ shall take effect on ~~July 1,~~  
20 ~~2026~~; [Deleted.]

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Sec. 4. REPEAL

2024 Acts and Resolves No. 181, Sec. 22 (Tier 3 rulemaking) is repealed.

Sec. 5. REPEAL

2024 Acts and Resolves No, 181, Sec. 34 (Tier 2 area report) is repealed.

\* \* \* Act 250 \* \* \*

Sec. 6. 10 V.S.A. § 6081 is amended to read:

§ 6081. PERMITS REQUIRED; EXEMPTIONS

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(z)(1) Notwithstanding any other provision of this chapter to the contrary, no permit or permit amendment is required for any subdivision, development, or change to an existing project that is located entirely within a Tier 1A area ~~under~~ as established in section 6034 of this chapter.

(2) Notwithstanding any other provision of this chapter to the contrary, no permit or permit amendment is required within a Tier 1B area approved by the Board under section 6033 of this chapter for 50 units or fewer of housing on a tract or tracts of land involving 10 acres or less or for mixed-use development with 50 units or fewer of housing on a tract or tracts of land involving 10 acres or less.

(3) Upon receiving notice and a copy of the permit issued by an appropriate municipal panel pursuant to 24 V.S.A. § 4460(g), a previously

1 issued permit for a development or subdivision located in a Tier 1A area shall  
2 remain attached to the property. However, neither the Board nor the Agency  
3 of Natural Resources shall enforce the permit or assert amendment jurisdiction  
4 on the tract or tracts of land unless the designation is revoked or the  
5 municipality has not taken any reasonable action to enforce the conditions of  
6 the permit.

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8 (dd) Interim housing exemptions.

9 (1) Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the contrary, until  
10 January 1, ~~2027~~ 2028, no permit or permit amendment is required for the  
11 construction of housing projects such as cooperatives, condominiums,  
12 dwellings, or mobile homes, with 75 units or fewer, constructed or maintained  
13 on a tract or tracts of land, located entirely within the areas of a designated new  
14 town center, a designated growth center, or a designated neighborhood  
15 development area served by public sewer or water services or soils that are  
16 adequate for wastewater disposal. Housing units constructed pursuant to this  
17 subdivision shall not count towards the total units constructed in other areas.  
18 This exemption shall not apply to areas within mapped river corridors and  
19 floodplains except those areas containing preexisting development in areas  
20 suitable for infill development as defined in 29-201 of the Vermont Flood  
21 Hazard Area and River Corridor Rule.



1 permanent zoning and subdivision bylaws served by public sewer or water  
2 services or soils that are adequate for wastewater disposal. Housing units  
3 constructed pursuant to this subdivision shall not count towards the total units  
4 constructed in other areas. This exemption shall not apply to areas within  
5 mapped river corridors and floodplains except those areas containing  
6 preexisting development in areas suitable for infill development as defined in  
7 29-201 of the Vermont Flood Hazard Area and River Corridor Rule.

8 Sec. 7. 24 V.S.A. § 4460 is amended to read:

9 § 4460. APPROPRIATE MUNICIPAL PANELS

10 \* \* \*

11 (g)(1) This subsection shall apply to a subdivision or development that:

12 (A) was previously permitted pursuant to 10 V.S.A. chapter 151;

13 (B) is located in a Tier 1A area pursuant to 10 V.S.A. § 6034; and

14 (C) has applied for a permit or permit amendment required by zoning  
15 regulations or bylaws adopted pursuant to this subchapter.

16 (2) The appropriate municipal panel reviewing a municipal permit or  
17 permit amendment pursuant to this subsection shall include conditions  
18 contained within a permit previously issued pursuant to 10 V.S.A. chapter 151,  
19 so that the conditions may be enforced as part of the municipal permit, unless  
20 the panel determines that the permit condition pertains to any of the following:

1           (A) the construction phase of the project that has already been  
2 constructed;

3           (B) compliance with another State permit that has independent  
4 jurisdiction;

5           (C) federal or State law that is no longer in effect or applicable;

6           (D) an issue that is addressed by municipal regulation and the project  
7 will meet the municipal standards; or

8           (E) a physical or use condition that is no longer in effect or  
9 applicable or that will no longer be in effect or applicable once the new project  
10 is approved.

11           (3) After issuing or amending a permit containing conditions pursuant to  
12 this subsection, the appropriate municipal panel shall provide notice and a  
13 copy of the permit to the Land Use Review Board.

14           (4) The appropriate municipal panel shall comply with the notice and  
15 hearing requirements provided in subdivision 4464(a)(1) of this title. In  
16 addition, notice shall be provided to those persons requiring notice under  
17 10 V.S.A. § 6084(b) and shall explicitly reference the existing Act 250 permit.

18           (5) The appropriate municipal panel’s decision shall be issued in  
19 accordance with subsection 4464(b) of this title and shall include specific  
20 findings with respect to its determinations pursuant to subdivision (2) of this  
21 subsection.

1 (6) Any final action by the appropriate municipal panel affecting a  
2 condition of a permit previously issued pursuant to 10 V.S.A. chapter 151 shall  
3 be recorded in the municipal land records.

4 ~~(h) Within a Tier 1A area, the appropriate municipal panel shall enforce~~  
5 ~~any existing permits issued under 10 V.S.A. chapter 151 that has not had its~~  
6 ~~permit conditions transferred to a municipal permit pursuant to subsection (g)~~  
7 ~~of this section.~~

8 **Sec. 8. 2024 Acts and Resolves No. 181, Sec. 14 (Criterion 8(C) Rulemaking)**

9 **is amended to read:**

10 **Sec. 14. CRITERION 8(C) RULEMAKING**

11 \* \* \*

12 **(c) The Board shall file a final proposed rule with the Secretary of State**  
13 **and Legislative Committee on Administrative Rules on or before June 15,**  
14 **2026 2027.**

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16 **Sec. 9. PUBLIC ENGAGEMENT PLAN; LAND USE REVIEW BOARD**

17 (a) On or before January 15, 2027, the Land Use Review Board shall  
18 contract with a nongovernmental organization to develop a report with  
19 recommendations for a public engagement plan. This plan shall be in  
20 compliance and coordinated with the requirements of 3 V.S.A. chapter 72  
21 (environmental justice). The contractor shall have expertise in maintaining

1 neutrality on policy and political issues; statewide, democratic public  
2 engagement processes; facilitation on public policy topics; and a proven  
3 history of effective outreach in rural communities. **The plan shall be designed**  
4 **to be inclusive and engage a full range of stakeholders.**

5 (b) The purpose of the public engagement plan would be to gather  
6 statewide input from Vermonters to inform the General Assembly on:

7 (1) the risks of losing working lands, both agricultural and forestland,  
8 and critical natural resources not already well protected by current land use  
9 policy, permitting programs, or other regulatory tools, including **agricultural**  
10 **soils**, rare natural communities, forest blocks, habitat connectors of statewide  
11 significance, and headwaters; and

12 (2) equitable, efficient, and effective regulatory or nonregulatory tools to  
13 protect these working lands and critical natural resources.

14 (c) On or before **January 15**, 2027, the Board shall submit the report with  
15 the recommended public engagement plan to the House Committee on  
16 Environment and the Senate Committee on Natural Resources and Energy.

17 (d) In fiscal year 2027, **\$X0,000.00** is appropriated from the General Fund  
18 to the Land Use Review Board to hire the contractor for the public engagement  
19 plan design.

20 Sec. 10. 2 V.S.A. chapter 32 is added to read:





1 (b) ~~60~~ Sixty days prior to holding the first public hearing on a regional plan  
2 adoption, a regional planning commission shall submit a draft regional plan to  
3 the Land Use Review Board for review and comments related to conformance  
4 of the draft with sections 4302 and 4348a of this title and chapter 139 of this  
5 title and, if it is seeking an optional determination of energy compliance, to the  
6 Department of Public Service for review and comments related to conformance  
7 of the draft plan with section 4352 of this title. The Board shall coordinate  
8 with other State agencies and the Community Investment Board and respond  
9 within 60 days unless more time is granted by the regional planning  
10 commission.

11 (c) The regional planning commission shall hold two or more public  
12 hearings within the region after public notice on any proposed plan ~~or~~  
13 ~~amendment~~. The minimum number of required public hearings may be  
14 specified within the bylaws of the regional planning commission.

15 (d)(1) At least 30 days prior to the first hearing, a copy of the proposed  
16 plan ~~or amendment~~, a report documenting conformance with the goals  
17 established in section 4302 of this chapter and the plan elements established in  
18 section 4348a of this chapter, and a description of any changes to the Regional  
19 Future Land Use Map with a request for general comments and for specific  
20 comments with respect to the extent to which the plan ~~or amendment~~ is  
21 consistent with the goals established in section 4302 of this title, shall be

1 delivered physically or electronically with proof of receipt or sent by certified  
2 mail, return receipt requested, to each of the following:

3 \* \* \*

4 (2) At least 30 days prior to the first hearing, the regional planning  
5 commission shall provide each of its member municipalities with a written  
6 description of map changes within the municipality, a municipality-wide map  
7 showing old versus new areas with labels, and information about the new Tier  
8 structure under 10 V.S.A. chapter 151, including how to obtain Tier 1A or 1B  
9 status, and the process for updating designated area boundaries. The regional  
10 planning commission shall, if it is seeking an optional determination of energy  
11 compliance, solicit feedback on its enhanced energy plan, including  
12 consistency with section 4352 of this chapter and the enhanced energy  
13 planning standards.

14 (e) Any of the foregoing bodies, or their representatives, may submit  
15 comments on the proposed regional plan ~~or amendment~~ to the regional  
16 planning commission, and may appear and be heard in any proceeding with  
17 respect to the adoption of the proposed plan ~~or amendment~~.

18 (f) The regional planning commission may make revisions to the proposed  
19 plan ~~or amendment~~ at any time not less than 30 days prior to the final public  
20 hearing held under this section. If the proposal is changed, a copy of the  
21 proposed change shall be delivered physically; electronically with proof of

1 receipt; or by certified mail, return receipt requested, to the chair of the  
2 legislative body of each municipality within the region and to any individual or  
3 organization requesting a copy at least 30 days prior to the final hearing.

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5 (h)(1) Within 15 days following adoption, a regional planning commission  
6 shall submit its regionally adopted regional plan to the Land Use Review  
7 Board for a determination of regional plan compliance with a report  
8 documenting conformance with the goals established in section 4302 of this  
9 chapter and the plan elements established in section 4348a of this chapter and a  
10 description of any changes to the regional plan future land use map. The  
11 regional planning commission shall also at this time, if it is seeking an optional  
12 determination of energy compliance pursuant to section 4352 of this chapter,  
13 submit the plan to the Department of Public Service for review with a  
14 description of conformance with the enhanced energy planning standards and  
15 with a summary of any comments received during the public hearings.

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17 (j) Minor amendments to regional plan future land use map. A regional  
18 planning commission may submit a request for a minor amendment to  
19 boundaries of a future land use area for consideration by the Land Use Review  
20 Board with a letter of support from the municipality. The request may only be  
21 submitted after an affirmative vote of the municipal legislative body and the

1 regional planning commission board. The Land Use Review Board, after  
2 consultation with the Community Investment Board and the regional planning  
3 commissions, shall provide guidance about what constitutes a minor  
4 amendment. Minor amendments may include any change to a future land use  
5 area consisting of fewer than 10 acres. A minor amendment to a future land  
6 use area shall not require an amendment to a regional plan and shall be  
7 included in the next iteration of the regional plan. The Land Use Review  
8 Board may adopt rules to implement this section.

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10 (n) Regional plan amendments, nonminor future land use map  
11 amendments, and Tier 1B area status requests. Regional plans may be  
12 reviewed from time to time and may be amended in the light of new  
13 developments and changed conditions affecting the region. Nonminor future  
14 land use map amendments shall be processed as part of a regional plan  
15 amendment. Tier 1B area status requests may be made separate from the  
16 regional plan approval or amendment process.

17 (1) Process.

18 (A) To amend a regional plan, which may include a nonminor future  
19 land use map amendment, a regional planning commission shall hold one  
20 public hearing. At least 15 days in advance of the hearing, the regional  
21 planning commission shall provide notice of the public hearing to the parties

1 listed in subdivision (d)(1) of this section and the Land Use Review Board.

2 The public hearing notice shall include a description of changes to the plan,  
3 including nonminor amendments to future land use maps, or any changes to  
4 Tier 1B area status.

5 (B) After adoption of the regional plan amendment, the regional  
6 planning commission shall submit a request to the Land Use Review Board for  
7 an affirmative determination of regional plan compliance for the regional plan  
8 amendment.

9 (C) Stand-alone requests for Tier 1B area status shall be submitted to  
10 the Land Use Review Board after the public hearing required under  
11 subdivision (A) of this subdivision (1).

12 (D) The Land Use Review Board shall hold a public hearing within  
13 30 days after receiving the request for an affirmative determination of regional  
14 plan amendment compliance or approval of Tier 1B area status. The Land Use  
15 Review Board shall issue its determination within 30 days after the hearing.

16 (2) Expiration date. Adoption of a regional plan amendment, nonminor  
17 future land use map amendment, or Tier 1B area status request or amendment  
18 shall not change the expiration date of the regional plan.

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20 Sec. 12. 24 V.S.A. § 4348a is amended to read:

21 § 4348a. ELEMENTS OF A REGIONAL PLAN

1 (a) A regional plan shall be consistent with the goals established in section  
2 4302 of this title and shall include the following:

3 \* \* \*

4 (12) A future land use element, based upon the elements in this section,  
5 that sets forth the present and prospective location, amount, intensity, and  
6 character of such land uses in relation to the provision of necessary community  
7 facilities and services and that consists of a map delineating future land use  
8 area boundaries for the land uses in subdivisions (A)–(J) of this subdivision  
9 (12) as appropriate and any other special land use category the regional  
10 planning commission deems necessary; descriptions of intended future land  
11 uses, consistent with the smart growth principles in section 4303 of this  
12 chapter; and policies intended to support the implementation of the future land  
13 use element using the following land use categories:

14 (A) Downtown or village centers. These areas are the mixed-use  
15 centers bringing together community economic activity and civic assets. They  
16 include downtowns, villages, and new town centers previously designated  
17 under chapter 76A and downtowns and village centers seeking benefits under  
18 the Community Investment Program under section ~~5804~~ 5803 of this title. The  
19 downtown or village centers are the traditional ~~and~~ or historic central business  
20 and civic centers within planned growth areas, village areas, or may stand  
21 alone. Municipalities may have more than one center, including planned new

1 or emerging centers that anchor planned growth or village areas. Village  
2 centers are not required to have public water, wastewater, zoning, or  
3 subdivision **bylaws**.

4 (B) Planned growth areas. These areas include the high-density  
5 existing settlement and future growth areas with high concentrations of  
6 population, housing, and employment in each region and town, as appropriate.  
7 They include a mix of historic and nonhistoric commercial, residential, and  
8 civic or cultural sites with active streetscapes, supported by land development  
9 regulations; public water or wastewater, or both; and multimodal transportation  
10 systems. These areas include ~~new town centers, downtowns, village centers,~~  
11 ~~growth centers,~~ and neighborhood development areas previously designated  
12 under chapter 76A of this title. These areas should generally meet ~~the smart~~  
13 ~~growth principles definition in chapter 139 of this title and~~ the following  
14 criteria:

15 \* \* \*

16 (iii) The area is generally within walking distance from the  
17 municipality's or an adjacent municipality's downtown, or village center, ~~new~~  
18 ~~town center, or growth center~~.

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20 (vi) The area provides ~~for~~ opportunity for development, infill  
21 development, and redevelopment that is needed to meet the regional and

1 municipal housing targets that ~~meets~~ meet the present and future needs of a  
2 diversity of social and income groups in the community.

3 (vii) The area is served by planned or existing transportation  
4 infrastructure that conforms with “complete streets” principles as described  
5 under 19 V.S.A. chapter 24 and establishes pedestrian access directly to the  
6 downtown, or village center, ~~or new town center~~. Planned transportation  
7 infrastructure includes those investments included in the municipality’s capital  
8 improvement program pursuant to section 4430 of this title.

9 (C) Village areas. These areas include the traditional settlement area  
10 or a proposed new settlement area, typically composed of a cohesive mix of  
11 residential, civic, religious, commercial, ~~and~~ or mixed-use buildings, arranged  
12 along a main street and intersecting streets that are within walking distance for  
13 residents who live within and surrounding the ~~core~~ downtown center or village  
14 center. ~~These areas include existing village center designations and similar~~  
15 ~~areas statewide, but this area is larger than the village center designation.~~

16 Village areas shall meet the following criteria:

17 \* \* \*

18 (iv) The municipality has either ~~municipal~~ public water or  
19 wastewater. If no public wastewater is available, the area must have soils that  
20 are adequate for wastewater disposal.



1 lacks an existing or planned pedestrian connection to the center via a complete  
2 street.

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4 Sec. 13. 24 V.S.A. § 4303 is amended to read:

5 § 4303. DEFINITIONS

6 ~~The following definitions shall apply throughout~~ As used in this chapter  
7 ~~unless the context otherwise requires:~~

8 \* \* \*

9 (43) “Smart growth principles” means growth that:

10 (A) maintains the historic development pattern of compact village  
11 and urban centers separated by rural countryside;

12 (B) develops compact mixed-use centers at a scale appropriate for the  
13 community and the region;

14 (C) enables choice in modes of transportation;

15 (D) protects the State’s important environmental, natural, and historic  
16 features, including natural areas, water quality, scenic resources, and historic  
17 sites and districts;

18 (E) serves to strengthen agricultural and forest industries and  
19 minimizes conflicts of development with these industries;

20 (F) balances growth with the availability of economic and efficient  
21 public utilities and services;

1           (G) supports a diversity of viable businesses in downtowns and  
2 villages;

3           (H) provides for housing that meets the needs of a diversity of social  
4 and income groups in each community; and

5           (I) reflects a settlement pattern that, at full build-out, is not  
6 characterized by:

7           (i) scattered development located outside compact urban and  
8 village centers that is excessively land consumptive;

9           (ii) development that limits transportation options, especially for  
10 pedestrians;

11           (iii) the fragmentation of farmland and forestland;

12           (iv) development that is not serviced by municipal infrastructure  
13 or that requires the extension of municipal infrastructure across undeveloped  
14 lands in a manner that would extend service to lands located outside compact  
15 village and urban centers; and

16           (v) linear development along well-traveled roads and highways  
17 that lacks depth, as measured from the highway.

18 Sec. 14. REGIONAL AND MUNICIPAL PLAN EXTENSIONS

19           Any regional or municipal plan due to expire in 2026 or 2027 shall have its  
20 expiration date extended until December 31, 2027.

21 **Sec. 15. REPEAL**



1 ~~area center~~ approved as part of the LURB review of regional plan future land  
2 use maps, ~~which may include an approved preexisting designated designated~~  
3 ~~downtown, village center, or designated new town center established prior to~~  
4 ~~the approval of the regional plan future land use maps.~~

5 (13) “~~State designated~~ Designated neighborhood” or “neighborhood”  
6 means a ~~contiguous geographic~~ village area or planned growth area approved  
7 as part of the ~~Land Use Review Board~~ LURB review of regional plan future  
8 land use maps that is ~~compact and adjacent and~~ contiguous to a center.

9 \* \* \*

10 (15) “Village area” means an area on the regional plan future land use  
11 maps ~~adopted pursuant to section 4348a of this title, which may encompass a~~  
12 ~~village center on the regional future land use map~~ meeting the requirements of  
13 subdivision 4348a(a)(12)(C) of this title and that may be designated as a  
14 neighborhood.

15 Sec. 17. 24 V.S.A. § 5803 is amended to read:

16 § 5803. DESIGNATION OF DOWNTOWN AND VILLAGE CENTERS

17 (a) Designation established. A regional planning commission may apply to  
18 the LURB for approval and designation of all downtown and village centers by  
19 submitting the regional plan future land use map adopted by the regional  
20 planning commission. ~~The regional plan future land use map shall identify~~  
21 ~~downtown centers and village centers as the downtown and village areas~~

1 ~~eligible for designation as centers.~~ The Department and State Board shall  
2 provide comments to the LURB and the regional planning commission on  
3 areas eligible for center designation as provided ~~under~~ in section 4348 of this  
4 ~~chapter~~ title.

5 \* \* \*

6 (c) ~~Exclusions. With the exception for preexisting, nonconforming~~  
7 ~~designations approved prior to the establishment of the program under this~~  
8 ~~chapter or areas included in the municipal plan for the purposes of relocating a~~  
9 ~~municipality's center for flood resiliency purposes, the areas eligible for~~  
10 ~~designation benefits upon the LURB's approval of the regional plan future land~~  
11 ~~use map for designation as a Center shall not include development that is~~  
12 ~~disconnected from a Center and that lacks a pedestrian connection to the~~  
13 ~~Center via a complete street.~~ [Repealed.]

14 \* \* \*

15 (f) Benefits Steps. A center may receive the benefits associated with the  
16 steps in this section by meeting the established requirements. The Department  
17 shall review applications from municipalities to advance from Step One to  
18 Two and from Step Two to Three and issue written decisions. The Department  
19 shall issue a written administrative decision within 30 days following an  
20 application. If a municipal application is rejected by the Department, the  
21 municipality may appeal the administrative decision to the State Board. To

1 maintain a downtown approved under chapter 76A after December 31, 2026,  
2 the municipality shall apply for renewal following a regional planning  
3 approval by the LURB and meet the program requirements. Step Three  
4 designations that are not approved for renewal revert to Step Two. The  
5 municipality may appeal the administrative decision of the Department to the  
6 State Board. Appeals of administrative decisions shall be heard by the State  
7 Board at the next meeting following a timely filing stating the reasons for the  
8 appeal. The State Board’s decision is final. The Department shall issue  
9 guidance to administer these steps.

10 (1) Step One.

11 (A) Requirements. Step One is established to create an accessible  
12 designation for all villages throughout the State to become eligible for funding  
13 and technical assistance to support site-based improvements and planning. All  
14 downtown and village centers shall automatically reach Step One upon  
15 approval of the regional plan future land use map by the LURB. Regional plan  
16 future land use maps supersede preexisting designated areas that may already  
17 meet the Step One requirement.

18 \* \* \*

19 Sec. 18. 32 V.S.A. § 5930bb is amended to read:

20 § 5930bb. ELIGIBILITY AND ADMINISTRATION

21 \* \* \*

1 (c) Application shall be made in accordance with the guidelines set by the  
2 State Board. The guidelines shall clearly indicate that only applications  
3 located in Step 2 and Step 3 State-designated centers or Step 1 centers where a  
4 portion of the designated center is listed or eligible for listing in the national  
5 register of historic places shall be considered.

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7 **Sec. 19. COMMUNITY INVESTMENT BOARD; ANNUAL REPORT**

8 On or before January 15 of each year, the Vermont Community Investment  
9 Board established in 24 V.S.A. chapter 139 shall submit a written report to the  
10 House Committees on Environment and on General and Housing and the  
11 Senate Committees on Natural Resources and Energy and on Economic  
12 Development, Housing and General Affairs. The report shall include, at a  
13 minimum:

14 (1) A summary of the Community Investment Program's activities  
15 during the preceding fiscal year, including designations, Steps, or other actions  
16 taken by the Board that confer eligibility for or priority access to State funding,  
17 tax credits, and other Program benefits.

18 (2) An analysis of the types of municipalities benefiting from the  
19 Program by:

20 (A) County;

21 (B) Population size;



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(b) On or before ~~July 1, 2028~~ January 1, 2030, and as appropriate thereafter, the covered agencies, in consultation with the Environmental Justice Advisory Council, shall adopt or amend policies and procedures, plans, guidance, and rules, where applicable, to implement this chapter.

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§ 6007. ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE MAPPING TOOL

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(c) On or before January 1, ~~2027~~ 2028, the mapping tool shall be available for use by the public as well as by the State government.

\* \* \* Effective Date \* \* \*

Sec. 21. EFFECTIVE DATE

This act shall take effect on July 1, 2026.

(Committee vote: \_\_\_\_\_)

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Representative \_\_\_\_\_

FOR THE COMMITTEE