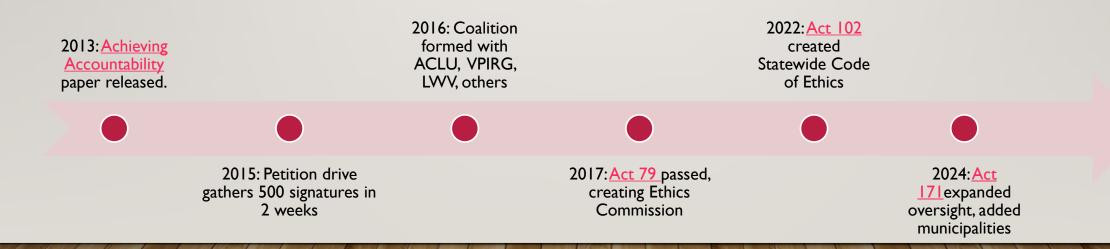


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A BRIEF HISTORY

CFV has been part of ethics reform since the beginning.



TODAY:

Coalition for Integrity ranks Vermont in the <u>bottom ten</u> for anti-corruption measures, citing that the oversight authority has "limited or no power."



GOING FORWARD:

- Monitor the implementation of Act 171 build confidence in the ethics framework.
- Maintaining the independence of the Ethics Commission.
- Increasing the investigation and oversight authority of the Commission.



H.I – A STEP BACKWARDS

- Seeking advice and consultation from the Ethics Commission is the BARE MINIMUM in terms of ethics oversight.
- Reduces transparency and accountability around ethics complaints.
- Will lead to inequity in how the statewide code of ethics is applied.
- Vermonters expect a basic set of standards for conduct of public officials.
- We should be increasing oversight, not retreating from it.

NCSL: 43 OTHER STATES HAVE ETHICS COMMISSION'S WITH ENFORCEMENT POWERS.



If they can find a way, so can we.

WE CAN

HAVE A TRANSPARENT, ACCOUNTABLE, AND EFFECTIVE GOVERNMENT THAT WORKS FOR VERMONTERS



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