

1 TO THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES:

2 The Committee on Judiciary to which was referred House Bill No. 21
3 entitled “An act relating to service of writs of possession” respectfully reports
4 that it has considered the same and recommends that the bill be amended by
5 striking out all after the enacting clause and inserting in lieu thereof the
6 following:

7 Sec. 1. 12 V.S.A. § 4854 is amended to read:

8 § 4854. JUDGMENT FOR PLAINTIFF; WRIT OF POSSESSION

9 If the court finds that the plaintiff is entitled to possession of the premises,
10 the plaintiff shall have judgment for possession and rents due, damages, and
11 costs, and when a written rental agreement so provides, the court may award
12 reasonable attorney’s fees. A writ of possession shall issue on the date
13 judgment is entered, unless the court for good cause orders a stay. The writ
14 shall direct ~~the any sheriff of the county in which the property or a portion~~
15 ~~thereof is located~~ to serve the writ upon the defendant and, not earlier than 14
16 days after the writ is served, to put the plaintiff into possession.

17 Sec. 2. EFFECTIVE DATE

18 This act shall take effect on passage.

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(Committee vote: _____)

Representative _____

FOR THE COMMITTEE