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2 Senator Hardy moves that the bill be amended as follows:

3 First: In Sec. 3, Vermont Arts Council; Vermont film and creative media  
4 industry initiative, in subsection (b), by striking out “for the purpose of  
5 supporting the Vermont film and creative media industry initiative, which will  
6 build the basic industry structure needed to grow Vermont’s film and creative  
7 media sector” and inserting in lieu thereof the following:

8 “for the purpose of supporting and growing the Vermont film and creative  
9 media community and industry, including academic, educational, creative,  
10 commercial, and exhibition resources”

11 Second: In Sec. 3, Vermont Arts Council; Vermont film and creative media  
12 industry initiative, by striking out subdivision (b)(1) in its entirety and  
13 inserting in lieu thereof a new subdivision (b)(1) to read as follows:

14 “(1) build and maintain an online database of film and creative media  
15 that includes assets, opportunities, professionals, resources, and events; and”

16 Third: In Sec. 3, Vermont Arts Council; Vermont film and creative media  
17 industry initiative, by striking out subdivision (b)(2) in its entirety and  
18 inserting in lieu thereof a new subdivision (b)(2) to read as follows:

19 “(2) support a part-time staff position within the Vermont Arts Council  
20 to manage the database project set forth in subdivision (1) of this subsection”

1 and to serve as the point of contact for film and creative media creators,  
2 exhibitionists, and industry professionals.”

3 Fourth: In Sec. 6, 9 V.S.A. chapter 111B, in section 4129, by striking out  
4 subsection (a) in its entirety and inserting in lieu thereof a new subsection (a)  
5 to read as follows:

6 (a) The Vermont-Ireland Trade Commission is established within the State  
7 Treasurer’s office to advance bilateral trade and investment between Vermont  
8 and Ireland. The Commission shall consist of seven members as follows:

9 (1) two members, appointed by the Governor;

10 (2) two members, appointed by the Speaker of the House;

11 (3) two members, appointed by the Senate Committee on Committees;

12 and

13 (4) the State Treasurer or designee.

14 Fifth: In Sec. 6, 9 V.S.A. chapter 111B, in section 4129, by striking out  
15 subsection (c) in its entirety and inserting in lieu thereof a new subsection (c)  
16 to read as follows:

17 (c) The members of the Commission, except for the State Treasurer or  
18 designee, shall be appointed for terms of four years each and shall continue to  
19 serve until their successors are appointed, except that in order to achieve  
20 staggered terms, the two members appointed by the Governor shall serve initial  
21 terms of two years each and the two members appointed by the Speaker of the

1 House shall serve initial terms of two years each. Members may be  
2 reappointed. A member serves at the pleasure of the member’s appointing  
3 authority. Not more than two members serving on the Commission may be  
4 members of the General Assembly.

5 Sixth: By adding a new section to be Sec. 10b to read as follows:

6 Sec. 10b. 3 V.S.A. § 23 is amended to read:

7 § 23. THE COMMISSION ON INTERNATIONAL TRADE

8 (a) Definitions. For the purposes of this section: “International Trade  
9 Agreement” means a trade agreement between the federal government and a  
10 foreign country or between Vermont and a foreign country. ~~International Trade  
11 Agreement does not include a trade agreement between the State and a foreign  
12 country to which the federal government is not a party.~~

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14 (c) Powers and duties.

15 (1) The Commission shall conduct an annual assessment of the legal and  
16 economic impacts of International Trade Agreements on State and local laws,  
17 State sovereignty, and the business environment.

18 (2) It shall provide a mechanism for citizens and legislators to voice  
19 their concerns, which it shall use to make policy recommendations to the  
20 General Assembly, to the Governor, to Vermont’s congressional delegation, or  
21 to the trade representatives of the United States government.

1 Recommendations shall be designed to protect Vermont’s job and business  
2 environment, and State sovereignty from any negative impacts of trade  
3 agreements.

4 (3) It may recommend legislation or preferred practices and shall work  
5 with interested groups in other states to develop means to resolve the  
6 conflicting goals and tension inherent in the relationship between international  
7 trade and State sovereignty.

8 (4) As provided for in 9 V.S.A. chapter 111A, the Commission shall  
9 consider and develop formal recommendations with respect to how the State  
10 should best respond to challenges and opportunities posed by a particular  
11 International Agreement.

12 (5) The Commission shall be consulted when a trade commission  
13 pursuant to 9 V.S.A. chapter 111b is proposed to be established by the General  
14 Assembly and shall provide a recommendation as to whether the trade  
15 commission shall be established.

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