

1 TO THE HONORABLE SENATE:

2 The Committee on Judiciary to which was referred House Bill No. 772  
3 entitled “An act relating to residential rental agreements, eviction procedures,  
4 and the creation of the positive rental payment credit reporting pilot program”  
5 respectfully reports that it has considered the same and recommends that the  
6 Senate propose to the House that the bill be amended by striking out all after  
7 the enacting clause and inserting in lieu thereof the following:

8 \* \* \* Termination of Residential Rental Agreement \* \* \*

9 Sec. 1. 9 V.S.A. chapter 137 is amended to read:

10 CHAPTER 137. RESIDENTIAL RENTAL AGREEMENTS

11 Subchapter 1. General

12 § 4451. DEFINITIONS

13 As used in this chapter:

14 \* \* \*

15 (11) “Immediate family” means:

16 (A) an adult person related by blood, adoption, civil marriage, or civil  
17 union;

18 (B) an unmarried parent of a joint child;

19 (C) a child, grandchild, foster child, ward, or guardian; or

20 (D) a child, grandchild, foster child, ward, or guardian of any person  
21 listed in subdivision (A) or (B) of this subdivision (11).







1 this section, along with a written statement itemizing any deductions to the  
2 tenant not later than 45 days before the date in the termination notice.

3 \* \* \*

4 (e) If a landlord fails to return the security deposit with a statement within  
5 ~~14 days~~ the timeframes outlined in subsection (c) of this section, the landlord  
6 forfeits the right to withhold any portion of the security deposit. If the failure  
7 is willful, the landlord shall be liable for double the amount wrongfully  
8 withheld, plus reasonable attorney's fees and costs.

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10 § 4465. RETALIATORY CONDUCT PROHIBITED

11 (a) A landlord of a residential dwelling unit may not retaliate by  
12 establishing or changing terms of a rental agreement or by bringing or  
13 threatening to bring an action against a tenant who:

14 (1) has complained to a governmental agency charged with  
15 responsibility for enforcement of a building, housing, or health regulation of a  
16 violation applicable to the premises materially affecting health and safety;

17 (2) has complained to the landlord of a violation of this chapter; ~~or~~

18 (3) has organized or become a member of a tenant's union or similar  
19 organization;



1 rent. Acceptance of partial payment of rent shall not constitute a waiver of the  
2 landlord’s remedies for nonpayment of rent or an accord and satisfaction for  
3 nonpayment of rent.

4 (b) Termination for breach of rental agreement.

5 (1)(A) The landlord may terminate a tenancy for:

6 (i) failure of the tenant to comply with a material term of the rental  
7 agreement or with obligations imposed under this chapter ~~by~~;

8 (ii) a tenant’s late payment of rent more than three times in a 12-  
9 month period; or

10 (iii) a tenant’s refusal to allow a landlord or a landlord’s agent  
11 access to the dwelling unit in accordance with section 4460 of this title.

12 (B) A landlord shall provide actual notice ~~given~~ to the tenant at least  
13 ~~30~~ 21 days prior to the termination date specified in the notice.

14 (C) As used in this subsection (b), “late payment of rent” means  
15 payment of rent more than 10 days after rent is due under the rental agreement.

16 (2) When termination is based on criminal activity, ~~illegal drug activity~~  
17 damage to the dwelling unit or premises, or acts of violence, any of which  
18 ~~threaten~~ is an ongoing or repeated threat to the health or safety of other  
19 residents, the landlord or landlord’s agent, or neighbors, the landlord may  
20 terminate the tenancy by providing actual notice to the tenant of the date on

1 which the tenancy will terminate, which shall be at least 14 days from the date  
2 of the actual notice.

3 (3) The actual notice required under this subsection (b) shall be  
4 accompanied by an affidavit setting forth particular facts and the basis thereof  
5 in support of the termination with sufficient details to inform the tenant of the  
6 reasoning behind the termination.

7 (4) A landlord shall not terminate a rental agreement under this  
8 subsection based on a person seeking medical assistance for a drug overdose,  
9 being the subject of a good faith request for medical assistance, or being at the  
10 scene of a drug overdose or within close proximity of the scene of a drug  
11 overdose as provided in 18 V.S.A. § 4254 and evidence obtained from the  
12 good faith request for medical assistance for a drug overdose shall not be used  
13 in an ejectment action brought under 12 V.S.A. chapter 169.

14 (5)(A) A landlord shall not terminate a rental agreement of a tenant  
15 under this subsection (b) because the tenant is the victim of an incident or  
16 pattern of domestic abuse, sexual assault, or stalking.

17 (B) The landlord shall allow a tenant who is the victim of domestic  
18 abuse, sexual assault, or stalking committed by another tenant or lawful  
19 occupant to bifurcate the rental agreement as authorized in section 4472a of  
20 this title.

1            (C) The landlord may terminate the rental agreement under  
2            subdivision (2) of this subsection (b) for a tenant who has committed an act of  
3            domestic abuse, sexual assault, or stalking against another tenant if the act  
4            poses an actual and imminent threat to the remaining tenants, other residents,  
5            the landlord or landlord’s agent, or neighbors, and there is no other action to be  
6            taken that would reduce or eliminate the threat.

7            ~~(c) Termination for no cause~~ Termination for tenant or governmental notice  
8            to vacate. In the absence of a written rental agreement, the landlord may  
9            terminate a tenancy for no cause as follows:

10            ~~(1) If rent is payable on a monthly basis, by providing actual notice to~~  
11            ~~the tenant of the date on which the tenancy will terminate, which shall be:~~

12            ~~(A) for tenants who have resided continuously in the same premises~~  
13            ~~for two years or less, at least 60 days after the date of the actual notice;~~

14            ~~(B) for tenants who have resided continuously in the same premises~~  
15            ~~for more than two years, at least 90 days after the date of the actual notice~~

16            When termination is based on an intent to vacate provided by actual notice  
17            from a tenant, a landlord may terminate a rental agreement on the date  
18            provided in the actual notice.

19            ~~(2) If rent is payable on a weekly basis, by providing actual notice to the~~  
20            ~~tenant of the date on which the tenancy will terminate, which shall be at least~~  
21            ~~21 days after the date of the actual notice~~ When termination is based on

1 compliance with an order issued by a governmental agency or court order that  
2 necessitates vacating the premises, a landlord may terminate a rental agreement  
3 on the date provided in the order.

4 (d) Termination of rental agreement when property is sold or repurposed.  
5 ~~In the absence of a written rental agreement a~~ A ~~landlord who has contracted to~~  
6 ~~sell the building~~ may terminate a tenancy by providing actual notice to the  
7 tenant of the date on which the tenancy will terminate, which shall be at least  
8 ~~30~~ 90 days after the date of the actual notice or, in the event of a written rental  
9 agreement, at least 90 days before the expiration of the stated term of the rental  
10 agreement, when:

11 (1) the landlord has contracted to sell the building;

12 (2) necessary for the landlord or a member of the landlord's immediate  
13 family to occupy the premises for a minimum of 12 continuous months as a  
14 primary residence;

15 (3) permanently withdrawing the dwelling unit from the rental market;

16 or

17 (4) demolishing the dwelling unit or premises or the rental unit requires  
18 renovations that exceed 50 percent of the rental unit's value to become or  
19 remain habitable, provided that the tenant shall have the right of first refusal to  
20 reoccupy the unit at market rate following renovations.

1 (e) Termination ~~for no cause under terms of written~~ at the expiration of a  
2 rental agreement.

3 (1) If there is a written rental agreement, the notice to terminate ~~for no~~  
4 ~~cause shall be at least 30~~ 90 days before the end or expiration of the stated term  
5 of the rental agreement ~~if the tenancy has continued for two years or less. The~~  
6 ~~notice to terminate for no cause shall be at least 60 days before the end or~~  
7 ~~expiration of the term of the rental agreement if the tenancy has continued for~~  
8 ~~more than two years.~~

9 (2) In the absence of a written rental agreement, the notice to terminate  
10 shall be at least 90 days after the date of actual notice.

11 (3) If there is a written week-to-week rental agreement, the notice to  
12 terminate ~~for no cause~~ shall be at least ~~seven~~ 10 days; ~~however, a notice to~~  
13 ~~terminate for nonpayment of rent shall be as provided in subsection (a) of this~~  
14 ~~section.~~

15 (f) Termination ~~date~~ notice. In all cases, the termination date shall be  
16 specifically stated in the notice as well as the reason for the termination.

17 (g) Conversion to condominium. If the building is being converted to  
18 condominiums, notice shall be given in accordance with 27 V.S.A. chapter 15,  
19 subchapter 2.

20 (h) Termination of shared occupancy. A rental arrangement whereby a  
21 person rents to another individual one or more rooms in ~~his or her~~ the person's

1 personal residence that includes the shared use of any of the common living  
2 spaces, such as the living room, kitchen, or bathroom, may be terminated by  
3 either party by providing actual notice to the other of the date the rental  
4 agreement shall terminate, which shall be at least ~~15 days after the date of~~  
5 ~~actual notice if the rent is payable monthly and at least~~ seven days after the  
6 date of actual notice ~~if the rent is payable weekly.~~

7 (i) Multiple notices. All actual notices that are in compliance with this  
8 section shall not invalidate any other actual notice and shall be a valid basis for  
9 commencing and maintaining an action for possession pursuant to this chapter,  
10 10 V.S.A. chapter 153, 11 V.S.A. chapter 14, or 12 V.S.A. chapter 169,  
11 notwithstanding that the notices may be based on different or unrelated  
12 grounds, dates of termination, or that the notices are sent at different times  
13 prior to or during an ejectment action. A landlord may maintain an ejectment  
14 action and rely on as many grounds for ejectment as are allowed by law at any  
15 time during the eviction process.

16 (j) Payment after termination; effect.

17 (1) A landlord's acceptance of full or partial rent payment by or on  
18 behalf of a tenant after the termination of the tenancy for reasons other than  
19 nonpayment of rent or at any time during the ejectment action shall not result  
20 in the dismissal of an ejectment action or constitute a waiver of the landlord's  
21 remedies to proceed with an eviction action ~~based on any of the following:~~

1           ~~(A) the tenant's breach of the terms of a rental agreement pursuant to~~  
2           ~~subsection (b) of this section;~~

3           ~~(B) the tenant's breach of the tenant's obligations pursuant to~~  
4           ~~subsections 4456(a), (b), and (c) of this title; or~~

5           ~~(C) for no cause pursuant to subsections (c), (d), (e), and (h) of this~~  
6           ~~section.~~

7           (2) This subsection shall apply to 10 V.S.A. chapter 153, 11 V.S.A.  
8           chapter 14, and 12 V.S.A. chapter 169.

9           (k) Commencement of ejectment action. A notice to terminate a tenancy  
10          shall be insufficient to support a judgment of eviction unless the proceeding is  
11          commenced not later than 60 days ~~from~~ after the termination date set forth in  
12          the notice.

13          (l) Affirmative defense to ejectment action.

14          (1) For any ejectment action based on a failure to pay rent pursuant to  
15          subsection (a) of this section, it shall be an affirmative defense of the tenant,  
16          and judgment shall be issued for the defendant, if there exists a serious health  
17          and safety code violation issued to the landlord under 20 V.S.A. § 2677 and the  
18          landlord has made no reasonable attempt to correct the violation as of the date  
19          of the termination, which shall include:



1 Sec. 1a. 9 V.S.A. § 4472a is added to read:

2 § 4472a. RIGHT TO BIFURCATION OF A RENTAL AGREEMENT

3 (a)(1) Notwithstanding a contrary provision of a rental agreement or of  
4 subchapter 2 of this chapter, a landlord shall authorize a protected tenant to  
5 bifurcate a rental agreement in order to eject, remove, or terminate a rental  
6 agreement to any individual who is a tenant or lawful occupant of the dwelling  
7 unit that engages in abuse, sexual assault, or stalking, against the protected  
8 tenant without ejecting, removing, or terminating the rental agreement with the  
9 protected tenant.

10 (2) In bifurcating a rental agreement under this section, the landlord may  
11 terminate the rental agreement of the abuser in accordance with subdivision  
12 4467(b)(2) of this chapter.

13 (b)(1) In the event the bifurcation and removal of an individual under  
14 subsection (a) of this section results in the protected tenant being unable to  
15 cover the rent of the dwelling unit, the landlord shall provide the protected  
16 tenant with a reasonable opportunity to locate additional tenants or to  
17 otherwise find new housing.

18 (2) A reasonable opportunity under this section shall be not less than 90  
19 days.

20 \* \* \* Ejectment \* \* \*

21 **Sec. 2. [Deleted.]**

1 Sec. 3. 12 V.S.A. chapter 169 is amended to read:

2 CHAPTER 169. EJECTMENT

3 \* \* \*

4 Subchapter 3. Superior Court Ejectment

5 \* \* \*

6 § 4852. MODE OF PROCESS; DECLARATION; TRIAL BY JURY

7 (a) The process may issue as a summons or writ of attachment, requiring  
8 the defendant to appear and answer to the complaint of the plaintiff, which  
9 shall state that the defendant is in the possession of the lands or tenements in  
10 question ~~(describing them)~~, with a description thereof, which that the tenant  
11 holds unlawfully and against the right of the plaintiff. A copy of the rental  
12 agreement, if any, and any notice to terminate the defendant's tenancy,  
13 including the affidavit required by 9 V.S.A. § 4467(b)(3), shall be attached to  
14 the complaint. If the complaint is based on a termination under 9 V.S.A.  
15 § 4467(a), the complaint shall include a copy of the rent ledger, if available.

16 (b) Either party shall have the right to a trial by jury.

17 \* \* \*

18 § 4853a. PAYMENT OF RENT INTO COURT; EXPEDITED HEARING

19 ~~{Subsection (a) as amended by 2007, Act No. 125 (Adj. Sess.), § 1.}~~

20 ~~(a) In any action against a tenant for possession, the landlord may file a~~  
21 ~~motion for an order that the tenant pay rent into court. The motion may be~~

1 ~~filed and served with the complaint or at any time after the complaint has been~~  
2 ~~filed. The motion shall be accompanied by affidavit setting forth particular~~  
3 ~~facts in support of the motion.~~

4 ~~{Subsection (a) as amended by 2007, Act No. 176 (Adj. Sess.), § 51.}~~

5 (a) In any action against a tenant for possession brought in accordance with  
6 this chapter, 9 V.S.A. chapter 137, 10 V.S.A. chapter 153, or 11 V.S.A. chapter  
7 14, the landlord may file a motion for an order that the tenant pay rent into  
8 court. The motion may be filed and served with the complaint or at any time  
9 after the complaint has been filed. The motion shall be accompanied by  
10 affidavit setting forth particular facts in support of the motion.

11 \* \* \*

12 (d) If the court finds the tenant is obligated to pay rent and has failed to do  
13 so, the court shall order full **or partial** payment into court of rent as it accrues  
14 while the proceeding is pending and rent accrued from the date of filing with  
15 the court the complaint for ejectment or the date the summons and complaint  
16 for ejectment were served on the tenant pursuant to Rule 3 of the Vermont  
17 Rules of Civil Procedure, whichever occurs first.

18 \* \* \*

19 (g) The tenant may at any time by motion apply to the court to reduce the  
20 amount ordered to be paid into court under this section. The motion for

1 reduction shall be accompanied by affidavit setting forth particular facts in its  
2 support.

3 \* \* \*

4 § 4853c. THREATENING BEHAVIOR; EXPEDITED HEARING

5 (a)(1) In an action for ejection based on a termination under 9 V.S.A.  
6 § 4467(b)(2), the plaintiff may file a motion for a judgment that the plaintiff is  
7 entitled to immediate possession of the premises on the grounds that the  
8 defendant's continued occupation of the lands or tenements is threatening the  
9 safety of other residents, the landlord or the landlord's agent, or neighbors.

10 (2) The motion may be filed and served with the complaint or at any  
11 time after the complaint has been filed. The motion shall be accompanied by  
12 an affidavit setting forth particular facts in support of the motion and a copy of  
13 the lease agreement.

14 (b) A hearing on the motion shall be held any time after 10 days' notice to  
15 the parties but not later than 21 days after the motion is filed absent good  
16 cause.

17 (c) At any time before the hearing, the defendant may oppose the motion  
18 pursuant to Rule 7(b)(6) of the Vermont Rules of Civil Procedure by filing an  
19 affidavit, a signed written statement, or a memorandum in opposition to the  
20 motion. The affidavit, signed written statement, or memorandum shall set

1 forth particular facts to show that a genuine dispute of fact exists in relation to  
2 the motion.

3 (d)(1) If the defendant fails to appear for the hearing, or to file an affidavit,  
4 signed written statement, or memorandum in opposition to the plaintiff's  
5 motion, or has failed to file an answer in the time provided pursuant to Rule 12  
6 of the Vermont Rules of Civil Procedure, the plaintiff shall be entitled to  
7 judgment by default for immediate possession of the premises.

8 (2) If the court finds that the defendant's continued occupation of the  
9 lands or tenements is a threat to the safety of other residents, the landlord or  
10 the landlord's agent, or neighbors, the court shall grant the plaintiff's motion  
11 and issue judgment in favor of the plaintiff for immediate possession of the  
12 premises.

13 (e) If the court issues judgment in favor of the plaintiff pursuant to  
14 subsection (d) of this section, the court shall, on the date judgment is entered,  
15 issue a writ of possession directing the sheriff of the county in which the  
16 property or a portion thereof is located to serve the writ upon the defendant  
17 and, not sooner than five days after the writ is served, to put the plaintiff into  
18 possession.

19 \* \* \*

1 § 4854a. PROPERTY OF TENANT REMAINING ON PREMISES AFTER  
2 EVICTION

3 (a) A landlord may dispose of any personal property remaining in a  
4 dwelling unit or leased premises without notice or liability to the tenant or  
5 owner of the personal property:

6 (1) ~~15 days after a writ of possession is served pursuant to this chapter~~  
7 ~~or~~ immediately upon the landlord being legally restored to possession of the  
8 dwelling unit or leased premises pursuant to this chapter, ~~whichever is later~~; or

9 (2) in the case of an eviction brought pursuant to 10 V.S.A. chapter 153,  
10 40 days after a writ of possession issued for failure to pay rent into court  
11 pursuant to subsection 4853a(h) of this title is served or upon the landlord  
12 being legally restored to possession of the leased premises by a writ of  
13 possession issued for failure to pay rent into court pursuant to subsection  
14 4853a(h) of this title, whichever is later.

15 (b) Notwithstanding subsection (a) of this section, if the court stays the  
16 execution of a writ of possession issued pursuant to this chapter, then a  
17 landlord may dispose of any personal property remaining in a dwelling unit or  
18 leased premises without notice or liability to the tenant or owner of the  
19 personal property ~~one day~~ immediately after the landlord is legally restored to  
20 possession of the dwelling unit or leased premises.

21 \* \* \*



1           (B) the invitee or licensee subject to the order has violated the terms  
2           of the dwelling unit’s lease agreement; or

3           (C) the invitee or licensee has violated a State or federal law while on  
4           the premises of the dwelling unit.

5           (2) As used in this subsection:

6           (A) “Dwelling unit” means a building or the part of a building that is  
7           used as a home, residence, or sleeping place by one or more persons who  
8           maintain a household.

9           (B) “Tenant” means a person entitled under a rental agreement to  
10          occupy a residential dwelling unit to the exclusion of others.

11          Sec. 6. [Deleted.]

12                           \* \* \* Positive Rental Payment Pilot Program \* \* \*

13          Sec. 7. POSITIVE RENTAL PAYMENT CREDIT REPORTING PILOT

14          (a) Definitions. As used in this section:

15           (1) “Contractor” means the third-party vendor that the State Treasurer’s  
16           Office contracts with to administer the pilot program described in this section.

17           (2) “Dwelling unit” has the same meaning as in 9 V.S.A. § 4451(3).

18           (3) “Participant property owner” means a landlord that has agreed in  
19           writing to participate in the pilot program and has satisfied the requirements  
20           described in subsection (c) of this section.

1           (4) “Participant tenant” means a tenant who has elected to participate in  
2           the pilot program and whose landlord is a participant property owner.

3           (5) “Rental payment information” means information concerning a  
4           participant tenant’s timely payment of rent. “Rent payment information” does  
5           not include information concerning a participant tenant’s payment or  
6           nonpayment of fees.

7           (b) Pilot program creation.

8           (1) The State Treasurer shall create and implement a two-year positive  
9           rental payment credit reporting pilot program to facilitate the reporting of rent  
10           payment information from participant tenants to consumer reporting agencies.

11           (2) On or before May 1, 2027, the State Treasurer shall contract with a  
12           third party to administer a positive rental payment credit reporting pilot  
13           program and facilitate the transmission of rent reporting information from a  
14           participant property owner to a consumer reporting agency. The third-party  
15           administrator shall be required to:

16           (A) enter into an agreement with one or more participant property  
17           owners in the State in accordance with the requirements of this section for  
18           participation in the pilot program;

19           (B) ensure that information to a credit reporting agency includes only  
20           rent payment information after the date on which the participant tenant elected  
21           to participate in the pilot program;

1           (C) develop and implement a process for removal of participant  
2           tenants for failure to comply with program requirements, including failure to  
3           make timely rental payments;

4           (D) establish a standard form for a participant tenant to use to elect to  
5           participate or cease participation in the pilot program, which shall include a  
6           statement that the tenant’s participation is voluntary and that a participant may  
7           cease participating in the pilot program at any time and for any reason by  
8           providing notice to the participant’s landlord and that the tenant may be  
9           removed from the program for failure to comply with program requirements,  
10          including failure to make timely rental payments; and

11          (E) offer an optional financial education course for participant  
12          tenants.

13          (c) Pilot program agreements. A participant property owner shall agree in  
14          writing:

15               (1) to participate in the pilot program for the duration of the pilot  
16               program;

17               (2) not to charge a participant tenant for participation in the pilot  
18               program;

19               (3) to comply with the requirements of the pilot program;

20               (4) to provide information as required by the State Treasurer concerning  
21               the implementation of the pilot program; and

1           (5) to assist in the recruitment of tenants to participate in the pilot  
2 program.

3           (d) Pilot program participants. On or before June 1, 2027, the contractor  
4 shall, in coordination with the State Treasurer, recruit not more than 10  
5 participant property owners and, to the extent practicable, not fewer than 100  
6 participant tenants to participate in the pilot program. The contractor shall  
7 seek to select participant tenants from populations that are underserved and  
8 underrepresented in home ownership. The contractor shall also seek to recruit  
9 participant landlords who offer:

10           (1) a variety of types of dwelling units for rent, including dwelling units  
11 of various sizes;

12           (2) dwelling units for rent that are located in geographically diverse  
13 areas of the State; and

14           (3) at least five dwelling units for rent.

15           (e) Termination. The State Treasurer may terminate the pilot program at  
16 any time in the Treasurer’s sole discretion or terminate participation of a  
17 participant property owner for failure to comply with the requirements of the  
18 pilot program.

19           (f) Reports.

20           (1) On or before November 1, 2028, the State Treasurer shall submit an  
21 interim report to the House Committee on General and Housing and the Senate

1 Committee on Economic Development, Housing and General Affairs regarding  
2 the findings of the pilot program. The report shall include:

3 (A) the number of participant tenants, including information  
4 regarding the demographic makeup of participant tenants, such as race,  
5 ethnicity, gender, income, and age, as voluntarily provided by the participant;

6 (B) the number of participant tenants who ceased participating in the  
7 pilot program voluntarily;

8 (C) the number of participant tenants who were removed from the  
9 pilot program and the reasons why;

10 (D) a breakdown of costs of administering the pilot program,  
11 including the monthly costs associated with rent reporting;

12 (E) a description of challenges faced by the participant property  
13 owners and participant tenants during the pilot program;

14 (F) an analysis of the outcomes of rent reporting on participant  
15 tenants' credit scores; and

16 (G) recommendations for legislative action, including proposed  
17 statutory language and an appropriation for associated costs.

18 (2) On or before November 1, 2029, the State Treasurer shall submit a  
19 final report to the House Committee on General and Housing and the Senate  
20 Committee on Economic Development, Housing and General Affairs regarding

1 the findings of the pilot program. The report shall include an update to the  
2 information required in the interim report.

3 (g) Appropriation contingency. The duty to implement this section is  
4 contingent upon an appropriation of funds in fiscal year 2027 from the General  
5 Fund for the specific purposes described in this section.

6 \* \* \* Residential Security Deposit Transition Period \* \* \*

7 Sec. 8. SECURITY DEPOSIT; TRANSITION PERIOD

8 Notwithstanding 9 V.S.A. § 4461(a), a landlord may maintain a security  
9 deposit that exceeds an amount equal to two months' rent, provided that the  
10 residential rental agreement was in effect prior to July 1, 2026. Upon the  
11 termination of the rental agreement, the landlord shall return the security  
12 deposit in compliance with the requirements of 9 V.S.A. § 4461.

13 \* \* \* Technical Training \* \* \*

14 Sec. 9. LANDLORD AND TENANT EDUCATION AND TECHNICAL  
15 ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

16 (a) The Champlain Valley Office of Economic Opportunity (CVOEO) shall  
17 provide education and technical assistance to Vermont landlords and tenants  
18 regarding their rights, obligations, and remedies for statutory violations under  
19 Vermont rental statutes.

20 (b)(1) Training for tenants shall include training under the Preferred Renter  
21 Certification Program or its future equivalent.

