

1 TO THE HONORABLE SENATE:

2 The Committee on Natural Resources and Energy to which was referred  
3 House Bill No. 479 entitled “An act relating to housing” respectfully reports  
4 that it has considered the same and recommends that the Senate propose to the  
5 House that the bill be amended by adding a reader assistance heading and a  
6 new section to be Sec. 23a to read as follows:

7 \* \* \* ANR Report Surface Water Discharges \* \* \*

8 Sec. 23a. ANR REPORT ON SURFACE WATER DISCHARGES

9 On or before November 15, 2025, the Secretary of Natural Resources shall  
10 submit a report to the General Assembly investigating the steps currently  
11 necessary to permit new surface water direct discharges of domestic  
12 wastewater in Vermont, identifying funding sources available to support the  
13 construction of such projects, and any recommendations for improving or  
14 streamlining the process.

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

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20 Senator \_\_\_\_\_

21 FOR THE COMMITTEE