

1 S.325 Chapin proposal

2 First: In Sec. 6, 10 V.S.A. § 6081, by striking out subsection (t) in its  
3 entirety and inserting in lieu thereof a new subsection (t) to read as follows:

4 (t)(1) No permit or permit amendment is required for the construction of  
5 improvements for an accessory on-farm business for the storage or sale of  
6 qualifying products or the other eligible enumerated products as defined in  
7 24 V.S.A. § 4412(11)(A)(i)(I).

8 (2) No permit or permit amendment is required for the construction of  
9 improvements for an accessory on-farm business for the preparation or  
10 processing of qualifying products as defined in 24 V.S.A. § 4412(11)(A)(i)(I),  
11 provided that more than 50 percent of the total annual sales of the prepared or  
12 processed qualifying products come from products produced on the farm  
13 where the business is located. ~~This subsection shall not apply to~~

14 (3) No permit or permit amendment is required for the construction of  
15 improvements related to hosting events or farm stays as part of for an  
16 accessory on-farm business of educational, recreational, or social events that  
17 feature agricultural practices or qualifying products, or both, as defined in  
18 24 V.S.A. § 4412(11)(A)(i)(II). Types of events may include concerts and  
19 farm stays with five or fewer dwelling units.

20 (4) For purposes of this subsection, “feature agricultural practices or  
21 qualifying products” means that a host farm’s agricultural practices or its

1 qualifying products are a substantial component of any educational,  
2 recreational, or social event the accessory on-farm business hosts. For social  
3 or recreational events like weddings or concerts that may have a purpose  
4 wholly independent of the host farm’s activities, agricultural practices or  
5 qualifying products must be an integral component of the event to satisfy the  
6 definition of an accessory on-farm business.

7 Tenth: By striking out Sec. 23, effective date, in its entirety and inserting in  
8 lieu thereof a new Sec. 23 to read as follows:

9 Sec. 23. EFFECTIVE DATE

10 This act shall take effect on July 1, 2026, except that in Sec. 6 (10 V.S.A.  
11 § 6081), subsection (t) shall take effect on July 1, 2027.

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