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Proposed Replacement for Sec. 32

Sec. __. 5 V.S.A. § 3410 is added to read:

§ 3410. RAILROAD RIGHTS-OF-WAY; COMMUNICATIONS LEASES;

ANNUAL REPORT

Annually, on or before December 15, the Secretary shall report to the House and Senate Committees on Transportation regarding the most recent fiscal year's the following types of lease revenues for State-owned railroad rights-of-way:

(1) wired or wireless telephone infrastructure located in the rights-of-way;

(2) broadband infrastructure located in the rights-of-way; and railroad; and

(3) leases of the rights-of-way for purposes other than the operation of the railroads within the rights-of-way.

Sec. __. AVAILABILITY OF STATE-OWNED RAILROAD RIGHT-OF-WAY FOR COMMUNICATIONS LEASES

In order to expand the use of State-owned railroad rights-of-way, the Secretary of Transportation, in consultation with the Commissioner of Public

- 1 Service, shall provide information to communications companies regarding the
- 2 availability for lease of property located in State-owned railroad rights-of-way.