

### H.35 Funding Sources

Funding	Fairness	Reliability/Sustainability	Nexus To Problem	Ease Of Administration	Committee Support
0.5-1% Rooms Tax	Tax from discretionary income. Money imported from other states. Working Lands (Rural?) Heritage Tax	Funds increase with inflation	Yes Can also provides funding for Working Lands, agricultural fairs, and Farm-To-School	Immediately available System already in place	7 supporters
Bagged and bulk grain fee	Everyone with animals is contributing	Fairly reliable	Direct, but doesn't address all sources of pollution	Report required in H.35 will give this information	3 supporters
Fee on bagged fertilizer \$30/ton x ~6,000 tons = \$180,000	Paid by non-agriculture population, but fits the "all in" mantra	Perhaps not, but decreased use will help with the problem	Yes, homeowners contribute to nutrient runoff	Easy to administer	6 supporters
Increased fee for non drinking water permits (e.g., golf courses, snow-making, etc.)	Yes, these are uses of water resources Municipal fees were just raised	Yes	Yes Associated with water quality and use	Yes Assessed annually	7 supporters
Fertilizer fee \$1-3/ton Each \$1 raises \$40,000	Yes, if this only constitutes a portion of the funds raised and does not place an unreasonable burden on dairy	Yes	Yes	Yes	2 supporters
Non-dairy farm certification fees	Yes Should not place an unreasonable burden on dairy	Yes, except not available until 2017	Yes	Yes, but will take some effort to identify the farms	10 supporters
VHCB	No consensus	Yes	Argument can be made	Yes	3 supporters

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Efficiency Vermont 3rd tier of H.40	Details unknown	Questionable	Questionable Money was raised for electrical efficiency		5 supporters
Increase in top marginal income tax rate .12% (8.95% to 9.07%) raises \$1.2 million	Almost everyone in Progressive tax	Yes	Those most able to pay are in	Yes	5 supporters
Commercial feed - increase product registration fee by \$15 per product would raise \$165,000	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	7 supporters
Economic poisons (pesticides) - increase of \$15 per product would raise \$165,000	Yes	Yes	Argument can be made - pesticides have an impact on water quality	Easy	9 supporters
Increased government efficiency with existing funds	Yes	Questionable	Debatable	Yes	6 supporters
Permit fees on LFO 27 @ \$2,500 = \$67,500	Yes	Yes	Yes	Relatively easy - known universe	10 supporters
Permit fees on MFO 139 @ \$1,500 = \$208,500	Yes	Yes	Yes	Relatively easy - known universe	10 supporters

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Permit fees on identifiable small dairy farms <100 cows ~355 @ \$250 = ~\$88,750	Yes	Yes	Yes	Relatively easy - known universe	10 supporters
Permit fees on identifiable small dairy farms 100-199 cows ~355 @ \$500 = ~\$177,500	Yes	Yes	Yes	Relatively easy - known universe	10 supporters
Fee per acre/parcel (i.e., property tax increases)	Not supported by Agriculture and Forest Products Committee				2 supporters