

TO THE HONORABLE SENATE

The Committee on Finance to which was referred Senate Bill No. S. 243 entitled "An act relating to combating opioid abuse in Vermont."

respectfully report that they have considered the same and recommend that the bill be amended as recommended by the Committee on Health & Welfare with the following amendment thereto:

In Sec. 12, 33 V.S.A. § 2004, by adding a new subsection to be subsection (d) to read as follows:

(d) A pharmaceutical manufacturer that fails to pay a fee as required under this section shall be assessed penalties and interest in the same amounts and under the same terms as apply to late payment of income taxes pursuant to 32 V.S.A. chapter 151. The Department shall maintain on its website a list of the manufacturers who have failed to provide timely payment as required under this section.

(Committee vote: 7-0-0)

Senator Ayer
FOR THE COMMITTEE