

2019-2020 Session

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Senate Committee on Economic Development, Housing and General Affairs (Room 27)

The Senate Committee on Economic Development, Housing and General Affairs has jurisdiction over matters relating to economic development, commerce, and community development, including tourism and marketing, promotion of the arts, and film activities; matters relating to labor; matters relating to housing; matters relating to liquor and tobacco control; matters relating to lotteries; and all matters relating to subjects for which there is no other appropriate committee.

Previous Meetings - Full Report

Friday, January 11, 2019

Meeting Details

Hearing	Standard
Type	

Meeting Record

9:30 AM **Senate Floor**

10:00 AM **Minimum Wage**

11:00 AM **Privacy and Data Security Breaches**

Update on report

Christopher Curtis, Chief, Public Protection Division,
Attorney General's Office

Ryan Kriger, Assistant Attorney General, Attorney
General's Office

Tuesday, January 15, 2019

Meeting Details

**Hearing
Type** Standard

Meeting Record

9:30 AM **Senate Floor**

10:15 AM **Agency of Commerce and Community Development**

Introductions

Ted Brady, Deputy Secretary, Agency of Commerce and
Community Development

Joan Goldstein, Commissioner, Department of
Economic Development, Agency of Commerce and
Community Development

Josh Hanford, Deputy Commissioner, Department of
Housing and Community Development, Agency of
Commerce and Community Development

Wendy Knight, Commissioner, Department of Tourism
and Marketing, Agency of Commerce and
Community Development

Michael Schirling, Secretary, Agency of Commerce and
Community Development

Wednesday, January 16, 2019

Meeting Details

Hearing Type	Standard
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Meeting Record

9:00 AM	Homelessness Awareness Day
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Room 11

Margaret Bozik, Director of Asset Management &
Special Initiatives, Champlain Housing Trust and Co-
Chair, Chittenden County Homeless Alliance

Kara Casey, Housing and Economic Justice Specialist,
Vermont Network Against Domestic & Sexual
Violence

Sarah Phillips, Director, Vermont Office of Economic
Opportunity

Renee Weeks, Director of Clinical and Shelter Services,
Upper Valley Haven

Deb Zak, Asset Manager, Windham and Windsor
Housing Trust

10:00 AM Break

10 minutes

10:10 AM Housing Code Enforcement

James Arisman, Town Health Office, Marshfield

Sarah Carpenter, Chair, Rental Housing Authority

Karen Horn, Director, Public Policy & Advocacy,
Vermont League of Cities and Towns

11:30 AM Liquor and Lottery Task Force Report

Update

Damien Leonard, Legislative Counsel, Office of
Legislative Counsel

11:45 AM Report on Debarment

Damien Leonard, Legislative Counsel, Office of
Legislative Counsel

Thursday, January 17, 2019

Meeting Details

Hearing Type	Standard
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Meeting Record

8:30 AM	Workforce Development
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Update

Hugh Bradshaw, Employment Services Manager,
Division of Vocational Rehabilitation, Creative
Workforce Development

Sarah Buxton, Director, Workforce Policy and
Performance, Department of Labor

Dustin Degree, Executive Director, State Workforce
Development Board, Department of Labor

9:50 AM	Break
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10:00 AM	Prevention of Sexual Harassment
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Emily Adams, Assistant Attorney General, Civil Rights
Unit

Cary Brown, Executive Director, Vermont Commission
on Women

Bor Yang, Executive Director, VT Human Rights
Commission

11:00 AM	The Liquor and Lottery Merger
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Patrick Delaney, Commissioner, Department of Liquor
and Lottery

11:30 AM Fair Repair

Rep. Matthew Hill

Sen. Christopher A. Pearson

Friday, January 18, 2019

Meeting Details

Hearing Type	Standard
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Meeting Record

9:00 AM Short Term Rental Housing

Deborah Carroll, Principal Assistant, Department of
Taxes

Doug Farnham, Senior Research Economist and the
Director of Policy, Department of Taxes

Wendy Knight, Commissioner, Department of Tourism
and Marketing, Agency of Commerce and
Community Development

Erhard Mahnke, Coordinator, Vermont Affordable
Housing Coalition

10:00 AM Minimum Wage

Damien Leonard, Legislative Counsel, Office of
Legislative Counsel

10:45 AM Break

10:55 AM Paid Family Leave

Damien Leonard, Legislative Counsel, Office of
Legislative Counsel

11:30 AM Senate Floor

Tuesday, January 22, 2019

Meeting Details

Hearing Type	Standard
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Meeting Record

9:00 AM Senate Protocols and Floor Decorum

9:30 AM Senate Floor

10:00 AM Commission Discussion

Overview of the week

10:30 AM

Governor's Proposed Paid Family Leave Plan

DJ Bettencourt, Policy Director, New Hampshire
Governor's Office

Beth Fastiggi, Commissioner, Department of Human
Resources

John Formella, Legal Counsel, New Hampshire
Governor's Office

Michael Pieciak, Commissioner, Department of Financial
Regulation

Kendal Smith, Director of Policy Development and
Legislative Affairs, Governor's Office

Wednesday, January 23, 2019

Meeting Details

**Hearing
Type**

Standard

Meeting Record

8:30 AM

S.23 - An act relating to increasing the minimum wage

David Cooper, Economic Policy Institute

Damien Leonard, Legislative Counsel, Office of
Legislative Counsel

10:30 AM

Break

10:45 AM S.23 - An act relating to increasing the minimum wage

Mat Barewicz, Economic & Labor Market Information
Chief, Department of Labor

Deb Brighton, Consultant, Joint Fiscal Office

Lindsay Kurrle, Commissioner, Department of Labor

11:15 AM S.23 - An act relating to increasing the minimum wage

Jubilee McGill, Member, Rights and Democracy, VT

Judy Peterson, President and CEO, The University of
Vermont Health Network

Thursday, January 24, 2019

Meeting Details

Hearing Type	Standard
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Meeting Record

8:30 AM Financial Technology

Michael Pieciak, Commissioner, Department of Financial
Regulation

Jill Rickard, Director of Policy, Department of Financial
Regulation

9:15 AM S.23 - An act relating to increasing the minimum wage

Joyce Manchester, Senior Economist, Joint Fiscal Office
Stephanie Yu, Policy Analyst, Public Assets Institute

10:30 AM **Break**

10:45 AM **S.23 - An act relating to increasing the minimum wage**

Dan Barlow, Public Policy Manager, Vermont Business
for Social Responsibility

Cary Brown, Executive Director, Vermont Commission
on Women

Coleen Kohaut, Nursing Home Administrator, Franklin
County Rehabilitation

Sandy Paritz, Project Director, Vermont Poverty Law
Project, Vermont Legal Aid

Erin Sigrist, President, Vermont Retail & Grocers
Association

Friday, January 25, 2019

Meeting Details

Hearing Type	Standard
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Meeting Record

8:30 AM	Governor's Economic Development Proposals
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Ted Brady, Deputy Secretary, Agency of Commerce and
Community Development

Joan Goldstein, Commissioner, Department of
Economic Development, Agency of Commerce and
Community Development

Josh Hanford, Deputy Commissioner, Department of
Housing and Community Development, Agency of
Commerce and Community Development

Wendy Knight, Commissioner, Department of Tourism
and Marketing, Agency of Commerce and
Community Development

Michael Schirling, Secretary, Agency of Commerce and
Community Development

10:30 AM Break

10:45 AM Governor's Workforce Development Proposals

Sarah Buxton, Director, Workforce Policy and
Performance, Department of Labor

11:30 AM Implicit Bias Training

Ethan Allen Room

Tuesday, January 29, 2019

Meeting Details

Hearing Type	Standard
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Meeting Record

9:30 AM	Senate Floor
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10:00 AM	Housing; Federal Shutdown
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Josh Hanford, Deputy Commissioner, Department of
Housing and Community Development, Agency of
Commerce and Community Development

Erhard Mahnke, Coordinator, Vermont Affordable
Housing Coalition

Gus Seelig, Executive Director, Vermont Housing &
Conservation Board

Brenda Torpy, CEO, Champlain Housing Trust

Richard Williams, Executive Director, Vermont State
Housing Authority

Wednesday, January 30, 2019

Meeting Details

Hearing Type	Standard
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Meeting Record

8:30 AM Housing Code Enforcement

Sarah Carpenter, Chair, Rental Housing Advisory Board

9:15 AM Home Improvement Contracting

Charity Clark, Assistant Attorney General, Office of
Vermont Attorney General

Gabe Gilman, General Counsel, Secretary of State's
Office

10:30 AM Break

10:45 AM Privacy Issues

Charity Clark, Assistant Attorney General, Office of
Vermont Attorney General

David Hall, Legislative Counsel, Office of Legislative
Counsel

Ryan Kriger, Assistant Attorney General, Attorney
General's Office

Thursday, January 31, 2019

Meeting Details

Hearing Type	Standard
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Meeting Record

8:30 AM S.23 - An act relating to increasing the minimum wage

Austin Davis, Government Affairs Manager, Lake Champlain Regional Chamber of Commerce

Mark Frier, Owner, The Reservoir, Tres Amigos, and The Rusty Nail

Saru Jayaraman, Co-Founder, President, ROC United

Kate Logan, Director of Programming and Policy, Rights and Democracy

David Mickenberg, Lobbyist, Cove, Working Vermont, and AARP-VT

10:45 AM Break

10:50 AM S.23 - An act relating to increasing the minimum wage

Deb Brighton, Consultant, Joint Fiscal Office

Kara Casey, Housing and Economic Justice Specialist, Vermont Network Against Domestic & Sexual Violence

Michelle Fay, Executive Director, Voices for Vermont's Children

Damien Leonard, Legislative Counsel, Office of Legislative Counsel

Faye Mack, Advocacy and Education Director, Hunger Free Vermont

Ken Schatz, Commissioner, Department for Children and Families

Friday, February 1, 2019

Meeting Details

Hearing Type	Standard
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Meeting Record

8:30 AM UVM Extension

Committee relevant programming

Mark Cannella, Associate Professor, University of
Vermont Extension

Chuck Ross, Director, University of Vermont Extension

8:45 AM Governor's Economic Development Proposals

Continued

Joan Goldstein, Commissioner, Department of
Economic Development, Agency of Commerce and
Community Development

Michael Schirling, Secretary, Agency of Commerce and
Community Development

9:45 AM Break

10:00 AM Governor's Economic Development Proposals

continued

Joan Goldstein, Commissioner, Department of
Economic Development, Agency of Commerce and
Community Development

Wendy Knight, Commissioner, Department of Tourism
and Marketing, Agency of Commerce and
Community Development

John Young, Director of the Vermont Training Program ,
Agency of Commerce and Community Development

11:30 AM Senate Floor

Tuesday, February 5, 2019

Meeting Details

Hearing Type	Standard
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Meeting Record

9:30 AM Senate Floor

10:00 AM S.23 - An act relating to increasing the minimum wage

Ryan Bourne, R. Evan Scharf Chair, The Public
Understanding Of Economics at the Cato Institute
Brenda Siegel, Self-Advocate, Newfane

11:00 AM Break

11:15 AM S.23 - An act relating to increasing the minimum wage

Committee discussion

Yannet Lathrop , Researcher & Policy Analyst, National
Employment Law Project

Erhard Mahnke, Coordinator, Vermont Affordable
Housing Coalition

Wednesday, February 6, 2019

Meeting Details

Hearing Type	Standard
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Meeting Record

8:30 AM Short Term Rental Housing

Ronda Burns, Vice President of Tourism, Vermont
Chamber of Commerce

Doug Farnham, Senior Research Economist and the
Director of Policy, Department of Taxes

9:40 AM Housing Code Enforcement

Bill draft

Sarah Carpenter, Chair, Rental Housing Advisory Board

David Hall, Legislative Counsel, Office of Legislative
Counsel

Shayla Livingston, Public Health Policy Advisor,
Department of Health

Wendy Morgan, Staff Attorney, Vermont Legal Aid

11:00 AM Break

11:15 AM Housing Bond

Gus Seelig, Executive Director, Vermont Housing &
Conservation Board

11:30 AM Short Term Rental Housing

Andrew Kalloch, Public Policy, Airbnb

Joe Montano, Government Affairs Manager, Expedia
Group

12:15 PM Recovery Day

Sarah Mekos, Director, Willow Grove, Wilder

Eileen Peltier, Executive Director, Downstreet Housing,
Barre

Thursday, February 7, 2019

Meeting Details

**Hearing
Type** Standard

Meeting Record

8:30 AM Land Gains Tax

Renovations

Douglas Farnham, Director of Policy and Tax
Department Economist, Department of Taxes

8:45 AM Homelessness

Erhard Mahnke, Coordinator, Vermont Affordable
Housing Coalition

- **Down Payment Tax Credits**

Paul Bruhn, Executive Director, Preservation Trust of
Vermont

Chris Cochran, Director of Community Planning &
Revitalization, Housing and Community
Development

Chris Cochran, Director of Community Planning &
Revitalization, Housing and Community
Development

Geoff Wilcox, Weatherization Program Administrator,
Office of Economic Opportunity, Department for
Children and Families

10:30 AM Break

10:45 AM

Homeowners Down Payment Program

Maura Collins, Executive Director, Vermont Housing
Finance Agency

Friday, February 8, 2019

Meeting Details

Hearing Type	Standard
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Meeting Record

8:30 AM	S.23 - An act relating to increasing the minimum wage
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Walk-through and committee discussion

Ericka Canales, Co-owner, Long Trail Veterinary Center
Damien Leonard, Legislative Counsel, Office of
Legislative Counsel

- **Housing Proposals**

Walk-through and committee discussion

Graham Campbell, Fiscal Analyst, Tax and Revenue,
Joint Fiscal Office

Doug Farnham, Senior Research Economist and the
Director of Policy, Department of Taxes

Peter Griffin, Legislative Counsel, Office of Legislative Counsel

David Hall, Legislative Counsel, Office of Legislative Counsel

David Hall, Legislative Counsel, Office of Legislative Counsel

Dylan Zwicky, NECTA

11:30 AM Senate Floor

Tuesday, February 12, 2019

Meeting Details

Hearing Type	Standard
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Meeting Record

9:30 AM Senate Bills

10:30 AM Housing Bond; Weatherization Loans

Maura Collins, Executive Director, Vermont Housing Finance Agency

Geoff Proulx, Municipal Housing Finance, Morgan Stanley

11:00 AM Economic Development Bill

Recruitment

Joan Goldstein, Commissioner, Department of
Economic Development, Agency of Commerce and
Community Development

Michael Schirling, Secretary, Agency of Commerce and
Community Development

Megan Sullivan, Executive Director, Vermont Economic
Progress Council

Wednesday, February 13, 2019

Meeting Details

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Meeting Record

8:30 AM	S.23 - An act relating to increasing the minimum wage
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Committee discussion; possible vote

Damien Leonard, Legislative Counsel, Office of
Legislative Counsel

9:15 AM	Housing
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Maura Collins, Executive Director, Vermont Housing
Finance Agency

9:45 AM Housing

Governor's Vermont Housing Incentive Program; Act 250 changes; Land Gains repeal

Darby Bradley, Calais

Chris Cochran, Director of Community Planning & Revitalization, Housing and Community Development

Josh Hanford, Deputy Commissioner, Department of Housing and Community Development, Agency of Commerce and Community Development

Brian Shupe, Executive Director, Vermont Natural Resources Council

10:45 AM Break

11:45 AM Omnibus Housing Bill

Ludy Biddle, Executive Director, NeighborWorks of Western Vermont

12:00 PM S.23 - An act relating to increasing the minimum wage

Discussion and vote

Damien Leonard, Legislative Counsel, Office of Legislative Counsel

Thursday, February 14, 2019

Meeting Details

Hearing Type

Standard

Meeting Record

8:30 AM

Privacy Issues

Pam Dixon, Executive Director, World Privacy Forum

David Hall, Legislative Counsel, Office of Legislative
Counsel

Andrew Kingman, Senior Managing Attorney, DLA Piper

Zachary Tomanelli, Communications and Technology
Director, VPIRG

10:15 AM

Break

10:30 AM

Privacy Issues

Charity Clark, Assistant Attorney General, Office of
Vermont Attorney General

Doug Hoffer, State Auditor, State Auditor's Office

Ryan Krieger, Assistant Attorney General, Attorney
General's Office

Tanya Marshall, State Archivist and Chief Records
Officer, VT State Archives & Records Administration

John Quinn, Secretary, Agency of Digital Services

Chris Winters, Deputy Secretary, Secretary of State's
Office

11:45 AM **Short Term Rental Housing**

Steve Schur, TTA

Friday, February 15, 2019

Meeting Details

**Hearing
Type** Standard

Meeting Record

8:30 AM **Omnibus Housing Bill; Home Improvement Fraud**

Walk-through

9:00 AM **Omnibus Housing Bill; Home Improvement Fraud**

Jim Bradley, President, Home Builders and Remodelers
Association

Christopher Curtis, Chief, Public Protection Division,
Attorney General's Office

Byron Gokey, Wallboard Supply Company

9:30 AM **Reports on Misclassification and Non-Disclosure
Agreements**

Discussion

Damien Leonard, Legislative Counsel, Office of
Legislative Counsel

10:30 AM Break

10:40 AM Non-Disclosure Agreements

Damien Leonard, Legislative Counsel, Office of
Legislative Counsel

Bor Yang, Executive Director, VT Human Rights
Commission

Tuesday, February 19, 2019

Meeting Details

**Hearing
Type** Standard

Meeting Record

9:15 AM Rural Economic Development and Innovation

Tour of hosting co-working space

Location: The Space On Main, Bradford

9:45 AM Rural Economic Development and Innovation

Testimony

Location: The Space On Main, Bradford

John Antonucci, Executive Director, Launch VT

Edward Childs, Newbury REDI District

Matt Dunne, Founder and Executive Director, Center on
Rural Innovation

Ceilidh Galloway-Kane, Executive Director,
WonderArts/Spark!

Bob Haynes, Executive Director, Green Mountain
Economic Development

Karen McCalla, The MINT

Michael Metz, Founding Board Member, Generator

Mark Naud , CEO, Vermont Innovation Commons

Sunny Naughton, The Work Commons

Ann Nygard, Long Term Care Ombudsman, DO NORTH

Louisa Olson, Manager, Downstreet Housing and
Community Development

Claude Phillips, Chair, REDI-net

Gwen Pokalo, Director, Center for Women & Enterprise

Monique Priestley, President and Founder, The Space
On Main

Samantha Sheehan, Owner and Director, Valley Works

Tom Warhol, Co-owner, Arnold Block

12:00 PM Rural Economic Development and Innovation

Public comment period

Location: The Space On Main, Bradford

12:30 PM Adjourn

Wednesday, February 20, 2019

Meeting Details

Hearing Type	Standard
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Meeting Record

8:30 AM	The Vermont Access Network Seth Mobley, Vermont Community Access Media
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9:15 AM	S.161 - An act relating to housing investments <i>Walk-through</i> Rebecca Wasserman, Legislative Counsel, Office of Legislative Counsel
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10:20 AM	Break
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10:45 AM	S.161 - An act relating to housing investments <i>Walk-through continued</i> Rebecca Wasserman, Legislative Counsel, Office of Legislative Counsel
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11:10 AM	S.161 - An act relating to housing investments Maura Collins, Executive Director, Vermont Housing Finance Agency
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Thursday, February 21, 2019

Meeting Details

Hearing Type	Standard
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Meeting Record

8:30 AM	Housing Bond
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Maura Collins, Executive Director, Vermont Housing
Finance Agency

Josh Hanford, Deputy Commissioner, Department of
Housing and Community Development

Jennifer Hollar, Director of Policy and Special Projects,
Vermont Housing and Conservation Board

Erhard Mahnke, Coordinator, Vermont Affordable
Housing Coalition

10:30 AM	Election of Sergeant at Arms, Adjutant and Inspector General, and Trustees of UVM and State Agricultural College
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Joint Assembly

Immediately Following the Joint Assembly	Senate Floor
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Friday, February 22, 2019

Meeting Details

Hearing Type	Standard
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Meeting Record

8:30 AM Community Action Partnership Day

Jan Demers, Executive Director, Champlain Valley
Office of Economic Opportunity

Simeon Geigel, Small Business Development
Counselor, Champlain Valley Office of Economic
Opportunity

9:00 AM S.110 - An act relating to data privacy and consumer protection

Walk-through

Charity Clark, Assistant Attorney General, Office of
Vermont Attorney General

David Hall, Legislative Counsel, Office of Legislative
Counsel

Ryan Kriger, Assistant Attorney General, Attorney
General's Office

Sen. Michael Sirotkin, Sponsor, Chittenden County

9:30 AM Break

9:40 AM S.108 - An act relating to employee misclassification

Walk-through

Damien Leonard, Legislative Counsel, Office of
Legislative Counsel

Sen. Christopher A. Pearson, Sponsor, Chittenden
County

10:00 AM S.82 - An act relating to equal pay

Walk-through

Sen. Christopher Bray, Sponsor, Addison County

Damien Leonard, Legislative Counsel, Office of
Legislative Counsel

- **S.83 - An act relating to prohibiting agreements that prevent an employee from working for the employer following the settlement of a discrimination claim**

Walk-through

Sen. Alison Clarkson, Sponsor, Windsor County

Roberto Gonzalez, Law Clerk, Office of Legislative
Counsel

David Hall, Legislative Counsel, Office of Legislative
Counsel

Sen. Michael Sirotkin, Reporter, Chittenden County

11:30 AM Senate Floor

Tuesday, February 26, 2019

Meeting Details

Hearing Type	Standard
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Meeting Record

9:30 AM	Senate Floor
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10:30 AM	Housing Bill
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Maura Collins, Executive Director, Vermont Housing
Finance Agency

11:00 AM	Housing Bond
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Recruitment/Housing incentives; Committee discussions

Beth Pearce, State Treasurer, Office of the State
Treasurer

11:30 AM	Property Transfer Tax; Rooms Tax
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Graham Campbell, Fiscal Analyst, Tax and Revenue,
Joint Fiscal Office

Doug Farnham, Senior Research Economist and the
Director of Policy, Department of Taxes

Wednesday, February 27, 2019

Meeting Details

Hearing Type	Standard
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Meeting Record

8:30 AM Housing Bill

Maura Collins, Executive Director, Vermont Housing Finance Agency

Josh Hanford, Deputy Commissioner, Department of Housing and Community Development

Jennifer Hollar, Director of Policy and Special Projects, Vermont Housing and Conservation Board

Rebecca Wasserman, Legislative Counsel, Office of Legislative Counsel

10:35 AM Land Use Gains Tax

Doug Farnham, Senior Research Economist and the Director of Policy, Department of Taxes

Peter Griffin, Legislative Counsel, Office of Legislative Counsel

Brian Shupe, Executive Director, Vermont Natural Resources Council

11:00 AM Break

11:15 AM

Economic Development Bill

Joan Goldstein, Commissioner, Department of
Economic Development, Agency of Commerce and
Community Development

Megan Sullivan, Executive Director, Vermont Economic
Progress Council

Thursday, February 28, 2019

Meeting Details

**Hearing
Type**

Standard

Meeting Record

8:30 AM

Act 194, Report on Rural Industrial Parks

Betsy Bishop, President, Vermont Chamber of
Commerce

Chris Cochran, Director of Community Planning &
Revitalization, Housing and Community
Development

Austin Davis, Government Affairs Manager, Lake
Champlain Regional Chamber of Commerce

Evan Meenan, Associate General Counsel, Vermont
Natural Resources Board

Brian Shupe, Executive Director, Vermont Natural
Resources Council

David Snedeker, Executive Director, Northeastern
Vermont Development Association

10:30 AM **Break**

10:45 AM **Housing Bond**

Tom Kavet, Legislative Economist - Housing Bond,
Kavet, Rockler & Associates, LLC

11:15 AM **Economic Development Bill**

Doug Hoffer, State Auditor, State Auditor's Office

Friday, March 1, 2019

Meeting Details

Hearing Type	Standard
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Meeting Record

8:40 AM **S.82 - An act relating to equal pay**

Mat Barewicz, Economic & Labor Market Information
Chief, Department of Labor

Cary Brown, Executive Director, Vermont Commission
on Women

Lindsay Kurrle, Commissioner, Department of Labor

Tom Torti, President and CEO, Lake Champlain
Regional Chamber of Commerce
Cameron Wood, Director, Unemployment Insurance
Division, Department of Labor

9:30 AM S.108 - An act relating to employee misclassification

Dirk Anderson, General Counsel, Department of Labor
Catherine Davis, Executive Vice President, Lake
Champlain Regional Chamber of Commerce
Joshua Diamond, Deputy Attorney General, Attorney
General's Office
Jocelyn Jones, Attorney, Segal Roitman
Damien Leonard, Legislative Counsel, Office of
Legislative Counsel
David Mickenberg, Lobbyist, Vermont Building and
Construction Trades Council
Stephen Monahan, Director Workers' Compensation
and Safety Division, Department of Labor

11:15 AM Economic Development Bill

Committee discussion and possible vote

Joan Goldstein, Commissioner, Department of
Economic Development, Agency of Commerce and
Community Development
Megan Sullivan, Executive Director, Vermont Economic
Progress Council

11:30 AM Senate Floor

Tuesday, March 5, 2019

Meeting Details

Hearing Type	Standard
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Meeting Record

- **No Committee Meetings Scheduled**

The General Assembly is on break for Town Meeting

Tuesday, March 12, 2019

Meeting Details

Hearing Type	Standard
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Meeting Record

9:30 AM	Senate Floor
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10:00 AM	S.108 - An act relating to employee misclassification
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Committee discussion and possible vote

Catherine Davis, Executive Vice President, Lake
Champlain Regional Chamber of Commerce

Damien Leonard, Legislative Counsel, Office of
Legislative Counsel

Stephen Monahan, Director Workers' Compensation
and Safety Division, Department of Labor

**11:15 AM S.110 - An act relating to data privacy and consumer
protection**

Committee discussion and possible vote

Charity Clark, Assistant Attorney General, Office of
Vermont Attorney General

David Hall, Legislative Counsel, Office of Legislative
Counsel

Ryan Kriger, Assistant Attorney General, Attorney
General's Office

Wednesday, March 13, 2019

Meeting Details

Hearing Type	Standard
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Meeting Record

8:30 AM S.108 - An act relating to employee misclassification

Possible vote

Damien Leonard, Legislative Counsel, Office of
Legislative Counsel

**8:45 AM S.110 - An act relating to data privacy and consumer
protection**

Possible vote

David Hall, Legislative Counsel, Office of Legislative
Counsel

Ryan Kriger, Assistant Attorney General, Attorney
General's Office

Tanya Marshall, State Archivist and Chief Records
Officer, VT State Archives & Records Administration

John Quinn, Secretary, Agency of Digital Services

**9:30 AM S.83 - An act relating to prohibiting agreements that
prevent an employee from working for the employer
following the settlement of a discrimination claim**

Robert Appel, Esq, Attorney, Robert Appel Law

Richard Cassidy, Attorney, Rich Cassidy Law

Ismina Francois, Citizen, Barre

Roberto Gonzalez, Law Clerk, Office of Legislative
Counsel

Julio Thompson, Director, Civil Rights Unit, Office of the
Attorney General

Tom Waldman, General Counsel, Department of Human
Resources

Bor Yang, Executive Director, VT Human Rights
Commission

10:40 AM **Break**

11:20 AM **Housing Bill I - Bond; VHIP; Downtown Tax Credit;
Home Buyer Credit; Affordable Housing Credit**

Committee discussion and possible vote

Maura Collins, Executive Director, Vermont Housing
Finance Agency

Josh Hanford, Acting Commissioner, Department of
Housing and Community Development

Jennifer Hollar, Director of Policy and Special Projects,
Vermont Housing and Conservation Board

Erhard Mahnke, Coordinator, Vermont Affordable
Housing Coalition

Rebecca Wasserman, Legislative Counsel, Office of
Legislative Counsel

11:50 AM **Housing Bill II - REHAB; Land Gains Tax Repeal; Home
Repair Fraud**

Sarah Carpenter, Chair, Rental Housing Advisory Board

Thursday, March 14, 2019

Meeting Details

Hearing Type	Standard
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Meeting Record

8:30 AM S.110 - An act relating to data privacy and consumer protection

Vote

David Hall, Legislative Counsel, Office of Legislative Counsel

8:45 AM S.83 - An act relating to prohibiting agreements that prevent an employee from working for the employer following the settlement of a discrimination claim

Committee discussion and possible vote

Roberto Gonzalez, Law Clerk, Office of Legislative Counsel

9:00 AM Economic Development Bills - VEGI; Recruitment; Relocation

Committee Discussion and possible vote

Joan Goldstein, Commissioner, Department of Economic Development, Agency of Commerce and Community Development

David Hall, Legislative Counsel, Office of Legislative Counsel

Megan Sullivan, Executive Director, Vermont Economic Progress Council

10:30 AM Break

10:45 AM Housing Bill II - REHAB; Land Gains Tax Repeal; Home Repair Fraud

Gabe Gilman, General Counsel, Secretary of State's Office

David Hall, Legislative Counsel, Office of Legislative Counsel

Lauren Hibbert, Director, Office of Professional Regulation

Rebecca Wasserman, Legislative Counsel, Office of Legislative Counsel

Friday, March 15, 2019

Meeting Details

Hearing Type	Standard
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Meeting Record

8:30 AM Economic Development Bill

Committee discussion and vote

David Hall, Legislative Counsel, Office of Legislative Counsel

- Housing Bill I - VHIP; REHAB

Committee discussion and vote

Christopher Curtis, Chief, Public Protection Division,
Attorney General's Office

David Hall, Legislative Counsel, Office of Legislative
Counsel

Lauren Hibbert, Director, Office of Professional
Regulation

Rebecca Wasserman, Legislative Counsel, Office of
Legislative Counsel

**9:15 AM Housing Bill I - Bond; Downtown Tax Credits; Home
Buyer Credit; Affordable Housing Credit**

Committee discussion and vote

Chris Cochran, Director of Community Planning &
Revitalization, Housing and Community
Development

Maura Collins, Executive Director, Vermont Housing
Finance Agency

Beth Pearce, State Treasurer, Office of the State
Treasurer

Rebecca Wasserman, Legislative Counsel, Office of
Legislative Counsel

11:30 AM Senate Floor

Tuesday, March 19, 2019

Meeting Details

Hearing Type	Standard
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Meeting Record

9:30 AM	Senate Floor
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11:00 AM	H.327 - An act relating to automatic renewal contract provisions
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David Hall, Legislative Counsel, Office of Legislative Counsel

Rep. Michael Marcotte, Reporter

Wednesday, March 20, 2019

Meeting Details

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Meeting Record

9:00 AM	H.26 - An act relating to restricting retail and Internet sales of electronic cigarettes, liquid nicotine, and tobacco paraphernalia in Vermont
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Rep. Jessica Brumsted, Reporter

Christopher Curtis, Chief, Public Protection Division,
Attorney General's Office

Mark Levine, Commissioner, Vermont Department of Health

Shayla Livingston, Public Health Policy Advisor,
Department of Health

10:30 AM H.13, An act relating to alcoholic beverages

Patrick Delaney, Commissioner, Department of Liquor and Lottery

Roberto Gonzalez, Law Clerk, Office of Legislative Counsel

Rep. Michael Marcotte, Sponsor

- S.144, An act relating to establishing a single tax rate for revenues from the sale of spirits and fortified wines

Patrick Delaney, Commissioner, Department of Liquor and Lottery

Roberto Gonzalez, Law Clerk, Office of Legislative Counsel

Damien Leonard, Legislative Counsel, Office of Legislative Counsel

Sen. Richard Westman, Sponsor

11:30 AM S.162 - An act relating to promoting economic development

Sen. Brock's Amendment

Sen. Randy Brock, Sponsor

Megan Sullivan, Executive Director, Vermont Economic Progress Council

Thursday, March 21, 2019

Meeting Details

Hearing Type	Standard
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Meeting Record

9:00 AM	Paid Family Leave
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Kevin Gaffney, Deputy Commissioner, The Department
of Financial Regulation, Insurance Division

Damien Leonard, Legislative Counsel, Office of
Legislative Counsel

Ashley Moore, State Director, Main Street Alliance of VT

Samatha Sheehan, Communication Manager, Vermont
Businesses for Social Responsibility

Kendal Smith, Director of Policy Development and
Legislative Affairs, Governor's Office

Rep. Thomas Stevens, Reporter

Jessica Vintinner, Legislative Director and Principal
Assistant, Department of Labor

10:30 AM	Break
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10:45 AM	Paid Family Leave
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Friday, March 22, 2019

Meeting Details

Hearing Type	Standard
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Meeting Record

8:45 AM	S.29 - An act relating to trade in covered animal parts or products
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Sara DiGuglielmo, Shelburne Community School
Summer DiGuglielmo, Shelburne Community School
Elle McAvey, Shelburne Community School
Ashley Prout McAvey, Master of Environment
Management, Vermont for Wildlife
Taegen Yardley, Stowe High School
Emma Yardley, Stowe Elementary School

9:15 AM	S.15 - An act relating to unemployment compensation
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Dirk Anderson, General Counsel, Department of Labor

-	S.116 - An act relating to the management and disposal of nicotine containers and replacement cartridges for tobacco substitutes
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Sen. Becca Balint, Sponsor, Windham County

Clare Buckley, Lobbyist, Vermont Vehicle and
Automotive Distributors Association

David Hall, Legislative Counsel, Office of Legislative
Counsel

Wendy Morgan, Staff Attorney, Vermont Legal Aid
Sen. Christopher A. Pearson, Sponsor, Chittenden
County

Christopher Pearson, Sponsor

10:15 AM **Break**

11:30 AM **Senate Floor**

Tuesday, March 26, 2019

Meeting Details

Hearing Type	Standard
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Meeting Record

9:30 AM	Senate Floor
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Wednesday, March 27, 2019

Meeting Details

**Hearing
Type** Standard

Meeting Record

8:45 AM S.163 - An act relating to housing safety and rehabilitation

Senate Appropriations Amendment

Sarah Carpenter, Chair, Rental Housing Advisory Board

David Hall, Legislative Counsel, Office of Legislative Counsel

9:00 AM H.533 - An act relating to workforce development

Joan Goldstein, Commissioner, Department of Economic Development, Agency of Commerce and Community Development

David Hall, Legislative Counsel, Office of Legislative Counsel

Rep. Michael Marcotte, Sponsor, House Committee on Commerce and Economic Development

10:30 AM Retention of Superior Court Judges and Magistrates

Joint Assembly

Thursday, March 28, 2019

Meeting Details

Hearing Type	Standard
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Meeting Record

8:30 AM	H.533 - An act relating to workforce development
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Sarah Buxton, Director, Workforce Policy and
Performance, Department of Labor

Tyler Machia, Citizen, Jeffersonville

John Young, Director, Vermont Training Program,
Agency of Commerce and Community Development

Friday, March 29, 2019

Meeting Details

Hearing Type	Standard
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Meeting Record

9:30 AM	H.132 - An act relating to adopting protections against housing discrimination for victims of domestic and sexual violence
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David Hall, Legislative Counsel, Office of Legislative
Counsel

Rep. Randall Szott, Reporter

10:45 AM **S.163 - An act relating to housing safety and rehabilitation**

Sarah Carpenter, Chair, Rental Housing Advisory Board

Christopher Curtis, Chief, Public Protection Division,
Attorney General's Office

Gabe Gilman, General Counsel, Secretary of State's
Office

Sen. Jeanette K. White, Windham County

11:30 AM **Senate Floor**

Tuesday, April 2, 2019

Meeting Details

Hearing Type	Standard
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Meeting Record

8:45 AM **S.163 - An act relating to housing safety and rehabilitation**

Committee discussion

Lauren Hibbert, Director, Office of Professional
Regulation

9:30 AM **Senate Floor**

10:00 AM S.163 - An act relating to housing safety and rehabilitation

Committee discussion

Lauren Hibbert, Director, Office of Professional Regulation

10:30 AM H.533 - An act relating to workforce development

Dan Barlow, Public Policy Manager, Vermont Business for Social Responsibility

Bill Driscoll, Vice President, Associated Industries of Vermont

Scott Farr, Superintendent, Director, River Valley Technical Center School District

Gregory C. Knight, Brigadier General, Vermont National Guard

11:40 AM S.163 - An act relating to housing safety and rehabilitation

Christopher Curtis, Chief, Public Protection Division, Attorney General's Office

David Hall, Legislative Counsel, Office of Legislative Counsel

Lauren Hibbert, Director, Office of Professional Regulation

Wednesday, April 3, 2019

Meeting Details

Hearing Type	Standard
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Meeting Record

9:00 AM	H.533 - An act relating to workforce development
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Tom Cheney, Director, Advance Vermont

Joan Goldstein, Commissioner, Department of
Economic Development, Agency of Commerce and
Community Development

John Young, Director, Vermont Training Program,
Agency of Commerce and Community Development

10:20 AM	Break
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10:50 AM	H.533 - An act relating to workforce development
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Joyce Judy, President, Community College of Vermont

Pat Moulton , President, Vermont Technical College

Len Schmidt, President, Vermont Adult Career and
Technical Association

Thursday, April 4, 2019

Meeting Details

**Hearing
Type** Standard

Meeting Record

8:30 AM H.533 - An act relating to workforce development

Betsy Bishop, President, Vermont Chamber of
Commerce

Lauren Hibbert, Director, Office of Professional
Regulation

10:00 AM Break

10:15 AM H.533 - An act relating to workforce development

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Sarah Buxton, Director, Workforce Policy and
Performance, Department of Labor

Michael Touchette, Commissioner, Department of
Corrections

11:30 AM Housing

Possible funding report

Jennifer Hollar, Director of Policy and Special Projects,
Vermont Housing and Conservation Board

Beth Pearce, State Treasurer, Office of the State
Treasurer

Friday, April 5, 2019

Meeting Details

Hearing Type	Standard
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Meeting Record

8:30 AM	H.533 - An act relating to workforce development
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Thomas Clavelle, Owner, Engelberth Construction, Inc.
Jon Guiffre, Owner, Certified Green Professional, Allied
Building Contractors, LLC
Erhard Mahnke, Coordinator, Vermont Affordable
Housing Coalition
Laura Pelosi, Lobbyist, Vermont Health Care
Association & Bayada Home Health
Mary Anne Sheahan, Executive Director, Vermont
Talent Pipeline Management Project
Lisa Ventriss, President, Vermont Business Roundtable
Paul Zabriskie, Director of Weatherization and Home
Performance, Capstone Community Action

10:55 AM	Break
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11:00 AM **H.533 - An act relating to workforce development**

Guy Payne, Executive Director, Sustainable Energy
Outreach Network

11:20 AM **H.533 - An act relating to workforce development**

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Sarah Buxton, Director, Workforce Policy and
Performance, Department of Labor

Tuesday, April 9, 2019

Meeting Details

Hearing Type	Standard
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Meeting Record

9:30 AM **Senate Floor**

10:00 AM **Workforce Development**

John O'Duinn, Founder, Release Mechanix, LLC

10:45 AM **H.533 - An act relating to workforce development**

Austin Davis, Government Affairs Manager, Lake
Champlain Regional Chamber of Commerce

Breck Knauft, Executive Director, Vermont Youth
Conservation Corps

Frank Sadowski, Partner, Gallagher, Flynn & Company
LLP

11:45 AM H.533 - An act relating to workforce development

Sarah Buxton, Director, Workforce Policy and
Performance, Department of Labor

Wednesday, April 10, 2019

Meeting Details

Hearing Type	Standard
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Meeting Record

9:30 AM H.107 - An act relating to paid family and medical leave

Rep. Robin Scheu, House Committee on Ways and
Means

**10:00 AM H.395 - An act relating to voluntary family and medical
leave insurance**

Side by side comparison of H.395, S.88, and H.107

Damien Leonard, Legislative Counsel, Office of
Legislative Counsel

- **S.88 - An act relating to paid family leave**

Side by side comparison of H.395, S.88, and H.107

Damien Leonard, Legislative Counsel, Office of
Legislative Counsel

Damien Leonard, Legislative Counsel, Office of
Legislative Counsel

Thursday, April 11, 2019

Meeting Details

Hearing Type	Standard
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Meeting Record

8:30 AM	H.327 - An act relating to automatic renewal contract provisions
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Jeff Couture, Executive Director, Vermont Technology
Alliance

Christopher Curtis, Chief, Public Protection Division,
Attorney General's Office

David Hall, Legislative Counsel, Office of Legislative
Counsel

Wendy Morgan, Staff Attorney, Vermont Legal Aid

Zachary Tomanelli, Communications and Technology
Director, VPIRG

9:45 AM **Break**

10:00 AM **H.107 - An act relating to paid family and medical leave**

Joyce Manchester, Senior Economist, Joint Fiscal Office

11:45 AM **H.533 - An act relating to workforce development**

Hugh Bradshaw, Employment Services Manager,
Division of Vocational Rehabilitation, Creative
Workforce Solutions

Friday, April 12, 2019

Meeting Details

**Hearing
Type** Standard

Meeting Record

8:30 AM **New American Workforce Proposals**

Sen. Tim Ashe, Chittenden

David Hall, Legislative Counsel, Office of Legislative
Counsel

9:30 AM **H.533 - An act relating to workforce development**

Committee discussion

Sarah Buxton, Director, Workforce Policy and
Performance, Department of Labor

Joan Goldstein, Commissioner, Department of
Economic Development, Agency of Commerce and
Community Development

David Hall, Legislative Counsel, Office of Legislative
Counsel

10:30 AM H.533 - An act relating to workforce development

Matt Musgrave, Government Affairs Director, Associated
General Contractors of Vermont

11:30 AM Senate Floor

Tuesday, April 16, 2019

Meeting Details

Hearing Type	Standard
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Meeting Record

9:30 AM Senate Floor

10:00 AM Governor's Appointments

Committee discussion

10:15 AM H.533 - An act relating to workforce development

Sarah Buxton, Director, Workforce Policy and
Performance, Department of Labor

John Hollar, Lobbyist, Vermont Business Roundtable

Ellen Kahler, Executive Director, Vermont Sustainable
Jobs Fund

Jay Ramsey, Director, Career and Technical Education,
Agency of Education

Michael Schirling, Secretary, Agency of Commerce and
Community Development

John Young, Director, Vermont Training Program,
Agency of Commerce and Community Development

Wednesday, April 17, 2019

Meeting Details

Hearing Type	Standard
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Meeting Record

9:00 AM H.533 - An act relating to workforce development

Mark up

Sarah Buxton, Director, Workforce Policy and
Performance, Department of Labor

Joan Goldstein, Commissioner, Department of
Economic Development, Agency of Commerce and

Community Development

David Hall, Legislative Counsel, Office of Legislative
Counsel

Elaine Haney, Legislative Liaison, Agency of Commerce
and Community Development

10:00 AM New American Workforce Proposals

Bjorn Norstrom, Program Manager, Technology for
Tomorrow

10:15 AM Break

10:30 AM H.107 - An act relating to paid family and medical leave

Cary Brown, Executive Director, Vermont Commission
on Women

Austin Davis, Government Affairs Manager, Lake
Champlain Regional Chamber of Commerce

Douglas Farnham, Director of Policy and Tax
Department Economist, Department of Taxes

Michelle Fay, Executive Director, Voices for Vermont's
Children

Dennis LaBounty, Political Director, Vermont AFL-CIO

Jessica Ricketson, Worker and Parent, Burlington

Samatha Sheehan, Communication Manager, Vermont
Businesses for Social Responsibility

Thursday, April 18, 2019

Meeting Details

Hearing Type	Standard
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Meeting Record

9:00 AM	H.533 - An act relating to workforce development
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Possible vote

David Hall, Legislative Counsel, Office of Legislative Counsel

Laura Pelosi, Lobbyist, Vermont Health Care Association & Bayada Home Health

10:00 AM	Break
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10:15 AM	H.107 - An act relating to paid family and medical leave
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John Berard, Director, Labor Relations, Department of Human Resources

Sivan Cotel, Representative, Co-Founder of Stonecutter Spirits LLC

Austin Davis, Government Affairs Manager, Lake Champlain Regional Chamber of Commerce

Beth Fastiggi, Commissioner, Department of Human Resources

Jennifer Kimmich, Chair, Vermont Main Street Alliance, Co-Owner of The Alchemist

Michael Pieciak, Commissioner, Department of Financial
Regulation

Harold Schwartz, Director of HR Operations,
Department of Human Resources

Friday, April 19, 2019

Meeting Details

Hearing Type	Standard
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Meeting Record

9:00 AM	S.144 - An act relating to establishing a single tax rate for revenues from the sale of spirits and fortified wines
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Sivan Cotel, Representative, Distilled Spirits Council of
Vermont

Patrick Delaney, Commissioner, Department of Liquor
and Lottery

Damien Leonard, Legislative Counsel, Office of
Legislative Counsel

9:45 AM	H.13 - An act relating to miscellaneous amendments to alcoholic beverage and tobacco laws
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Sivan Cotel, Representative, Distilled Spirits Council of
Vermont

Patrick Delaney, Commissioner, Department of Liquor
and Lottery

Roberto Gonzalez, Law Clerk, Office of Legislative Counsel

Damien Leonard, Legislative Counsel, Office of Legislative Counsel

Tari Scott, Chief of Trial Court Operations, Office of Court Administrator

- **H.26 - An act relating to restricting retail and Internet sales of electronic cigarettes, liquid nicotine, and tobacco paraphernalia in Vermont**

Jennifer Carbee, Deputy Chief Counsel, Office of Legislative Counsel

Jennifer Costa, Government Relations Director, American Cancer Society Cancer Action Network

Patrick Delaney, Commissioner, Department of Liquor and Lottery

Shayla Livingston, Public Health Policy Advisor, Department of Health

Rebecca Ryan, Division Director, Health Promotion, American Lung Association of the Northeast

Heather Shouldice, Lobbyist, Altria Client Services

Erin Sigrist, President, Vermont Retail & Grocers Association

Jill Sudhoff-Guerin, Policy and Communications Manager, Vermont Medical Society

10:45 AM Break

11:00 AM Confirmation of Governor's Appointment

11:30 AM **Senate Floor**

Tuesday, April 23, 2019

Meeting Details

**Hearing
Type** Standard

Meeting Record

9:30 AM **Senate Floor**

10:30 AM **Business Registration Portal**

Update

James Condos, Vermont Secretary of State

Dan Dickerson, Fiscal Analyst, Joint Fiscal Office

Michael Schirling, Secretary, Agency of Commerce and
Community Development

Chris Winters, Deputy Secretary, Secretary of State's
Office

11:30 AM **H.327 - An act relating to automatic renewal contract
provisions**

John Quinn, Secretary, Agency of Digital Services

Wednesday, April 24, 2019

Meeting Details

Hearing Type	Standard
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Meeting Record

9:00 AM	H.13 - An act relating to miscellaneous amendments to alcoholic beverage and tobacco laws
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Vote

Patrick Delaney, Commissioner, Department of Liquor and Lottery

Willa Farrell, Director, Court Diversion and Pre-Trial Services

Roberto Gonzalez, Law Clerk, Office of Legislative Counsel

- **S.144 - An act relating to establishing a single tax rate for revenues from the sale of spirits and fortified wines**

Sivan Cotel, Representative, Distilled Spirits Council of Vermont

Damien Leonard, Legislative Counsel, Office of Legislative Counsel

10:15 AM	Break
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10:30 AM **H.26 - An act relating to restricting retail and Internet sales of electronic cigarettes, liquid nicotine, and tobacco paraphernalia in Vermont**

Committee discussion and possible vote

Virginia Renfrew, Lobbyist, AIDS Service Organizations

Thursday, April 25, 2019

Meeting Details

Hearing Type	Standard
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Meeting Record

8:30 AM **H.107 - An act relating to paid family and medical leave**

Lindsay Kurrle, Commissioner, Department of Labor

Charles Martin, Government Affairs Director, VT

Chamber of Commerce

Jessica Vintinner, Legislative Director and Principal
Assistant, Department of Labor

Cameron Wood, Director, Unemployment Insurance
Division, Department of Labor

9:45 AM **Break**

10:00 AM **H.107 - An act relating to paid family and medical leave**

Tanya Byker, Professor, Middlebury College

Doug Farnham, Senior Research Economist and the
Director of Policy, Department of Taxes

Bard Hill, Policy and Planning Director, Department of
Disabilities, Aging & Independent Living

Erin Sigrist, President, Vermont Retail & Grocers
Association

Friday, April 26, 2019

Meeting Details

Hearing Type	Standard
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Meeting Record

9:00 AM	H.533 - An act relating to workforce development
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Sarah Buxton, Director, Workforce Policy and
Performance, Department of Labor

David Hall, Legislative Counsel, Office of Legislative
Counsel

10:00 AM	H.132 - An act relating to adopting protections against housing discrimination for victims of domestic and sexual violence
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Emily Adams, Assistant Attorney General, Civil Rights
Unit

Margo Batsie, Director of Program Services, Steps to
End Domestic Violence

Kara Casey, Housing and Economic Justice Specialist,
Vermont Network Against Domestic & Sexual
Violence

Shannon McMahon, Advocacy Coordinator, Voices
against Violence

Chris Rice, Lobbyist, American Tort Reform Association

Bor Yang, Executive Director, VT Human Rights
Commission

Tuesday, April 30, 2019

Meeting Details

Hearing Type	Standard
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Meeting Record

9:30 AM	Senate Floor
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10:30 AM	H.533 - An act relating to workforce development
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	David Hall, Legislative Counsel, Office of Legislative Counsel
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Wednesday, May 1, 2019

Meeting Details

Hearing Type	Standard
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Meeting Record

9:15 AM	H.107 - An act relating to paid family and medical leave
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Douglas Farnham, Director of Policy and Tax
Department Economist, Department of Taxes
Damien Leonard, Legislative Counsel, Office of
Legislative Counsel
Joyce Manchester, Senior Economist, Joint Fiscal Office
Jessica Vintinner, Legislative Director and Principal
Assistant, Department of Labor
Cameron Wood, Director, Unemployment Insurance
Division, Department of Labor

10:45 AM	Break
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11:00 AM	H.533 - An act relating to workforce development
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Sarah Buxton, Director, Workforce Policy and
Performance, Department of Labor
Joan Goldstein, Commissioner, Department of
Economic Development, Agency of Commerce and
Community Development

Thursday, May 2, 2019

Meeting Details

Hearing Type	Standard
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Meeting Record

9:30 AM	H.107 - An act relating to paid family and medical leave
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Damien Leonard, Legislative Counsel, Office of
Legislative Counsel

Joyce Manchester, Senior Economist, Joint Fiscal Office

Michael Pieciak, Commissioner, Department of Financial
Regulation

10:30 AM	Break
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10:45 AM	H.107 - An act relating to paid family and medical leave
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Friday, May 3, 2019

Meeting Details

Hearing Type	Standard
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Meeting Record

8:45 AM	H.107 - An act relating to paid family and medical leave
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Damien Leonard, Legislative Counsel, Office of
Legislative Counsel

10:45 AM	Break
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11:00 AM	H.107 - An act relating to paid family and medical leave
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Joyce Manchester, Senior Economist, Joint Fiscal Office

11:30 AM	Senate Floor
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12:00 AM	H.107 - An act relating to paid family and medical leave
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Damien Leonard, Legislative Counsel, Office of
Legislative Counsel

Monday, May 6, 2019

Meeting Details

Hearing Type	Standard
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Meeting Record

12:30 PM	H.107 - An act relating to paid family and medical leave <i>vote</i>
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Damien Leonard, Legislative Counsel, Office of
Legislative Counsel

Joyce Manchester, Senior Economist, Joint Fiscal Office

Tuesday, May 7, 2019

Meeting Details

Hearing Type	Standard
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Meeting Record

9:00 AM	Senate Floor
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Wednesday, May 8, 2019

Meeting Details

Hearing Type	Standard
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Meeting Record

10:30 AM	H.351 - An act relating to workers' compensation, unemployment insurance, and ski tramway amendments
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Stephen Monahan, Director Workers' Compensation
and Safety Division, Department of Labor

Cameron Wood, Director, Unemployment Insurance
Division, Department of Labor

11:00 AM	Adjourn
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Thursday, May 9, 2019

Meeting Details

Hearing Type	Standard
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Meeting Record

9:00 AM	S.135 - An act relating to consumer protection and automobile financing
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Clare Buckley, Lobbyist, Vermont Vehicle and
Automotive Distributors Association

Wendy Morgan, Staff Attorney, Vermont Legal Aid

- **H.327 - An act relating to automatic renewal contract provisions**

Others who are interested in testifying, contact the committee assistant

David Hall, Legislative Counsel, Office of Legislative Counsel

Zachary Tomanelli, Communications and Technology Director, VPIRG

Friday, May 10, 2019

Meeting Details

Hearing Type	Standard
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Meeting Record

11:30 AM	Senate Floor
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Monday, May 13, 2019

Meeting Details

Hearing Type	Standard
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Meeting Record

1:00 PM	H.351 - An act relating to workers' compensation, unemployment insurance, and ski tramway amendments
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Cameron Wood, Director, Unemployment Insurance
Division, Department of Labor

2:40 AM	H.351 - An act relating to workers' compensation, unemployment insurance, and ski tramway amendments
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Molly Mahar, President, Vermont Ski Areas Association

Tuesday, May 14, 2019

Meeting Details

Hearing Type	Standard
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Meeting Record

1:00 PM	Confirmation of Governor's Appointments
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Wednesday, May 15, 2019

Meeting Details

Hearing Type	Standard
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Meeting Record

- No Meeting Scheduled

Thursday, May 16, 2019

Meeting Details

Hearing Type	Standard
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Meeting Record

- No Meeting Scheduled

Friday, May 17, 2019

Meeting Details

Hearing Type	Standard
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Meeting Record

8:30 AM **Governor's Appointments**

Vote

Tuesday, May 21, 2019

Meeting Details

**Hearing
Type** Standard

Meeting Record

3:00 PM **S.23 - An act relating to increasing the minimum wage**

Committee Discussion

Wednesday, May 22, 2019

Meeting Details

**Hearing
Type** Standard

Meeting Record

8:40 AM **H.13 - An act relating to miscellaneous amendments to
alcoholic beverage and tobacco laws**

8:45 AM Commission Discussion

Updates and Governor Appointment confirmations

Thursday, May 23, 2019

Meeting Details

Hearing Type	Standard
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Meeting Record

**12:15 PM S.162 - An act relating to promoting economic
development**

Airport master permits

Michael Schirling, Secretary, Agency of Commerce and
Community Development

12:35 AM H.107 - An act relating to paid family and medical leave

Damien Leonard, Legislative Counsel, Office of
Legislative Counsel

Friday, May 24, 2019

Meeting Details

Hearing Type	Standard
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Meeting Record

- TBD

Wednesday, September 18, 2019

Meeting Details

Hearing Type	Standard
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Meeting Record

10:30 AM	Roundtable Discussion on Affordable Housing Needs
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Clay Adams, President & CEO, Mascoma Bank

Matt Bucy, Developer

Karen Colberg, CEO, King Arthur Flour

Mark Condon, Executive Assistant, Green Mountain
Economic Development

Trip Davis, Board Chair, Dartmouth Regional
Technology Center

Peter Gregory, Executive Director, Two Rivers-
Ottawaquechee Regional Commission

Lori Hirshfield, Director of Planning and Development,
Town of Hartford

Sara Kobylenski , Former Executive Director, Upper
Valley Haven

Buff McLaughry, President, Sotheby's Four Seasons
International Realty

Sally Miller, Chair, Woodstock Planning Commission

Beth Pearce, State Treasurer, Office of the State
Treasurer

Joe Perras, CEO, Mt Ascutney Hospital

Tom Roberts, Executive Director, Vital Communités

Andrew Winter, Executive Director, Twin Pines Housing
Trust

12:30 PM Adjourn

Tuesday, September 24, 2019

Meeting Details

Hearing Type	Standard
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Meeting Record

1:30 PM	Introduction and Welcome
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Michael Sirotkin, Chair, Senate Economic Development ,
Housing and General Affairs Committee

1:35 PM Roundtable Participant Introductions

1:40 PM Presentation: Macro-Overview of Housing in the Rutland Region

Ed Bove, Executive Director, Rutland Regional Planning Commission

1:50 PM Roundtable Discussion on Affordable Housing

David Allaire, Mayor, City of Rutland

Ludy Biddle, Executive Director, NeighborWorks of Western Vermont

Ed Bove, Executive Director, Rutland Regional Planning Commission

Brennan Duffy, Executive Director, Rutland Redevelopment Authority

Caprice Hover, United Way of Rutland County

Elizabeth Kulas, Executive Director, Housing Trust of Rutland County

Kevin Loso, Executive Director, Rutland Housing Authority

Eric Maguire, Director, Rutland Dismas House

Kimberly Mayo, Housing Specialist, Rutland Mental Health Services

Jeffrey McKee, VP, Community & Behavioral Health Services, Rutland Regional Medical Center

Tyler Richardson, Executive Director, Rutland Economic Development Corporation

Sharon Russell, Director, Open Door Mission

3:30 PM

Adjourn

Tuesday, October 29, 2019

Meeting Details

**Hearing
Type**

Standard

Meeting Record

10:30 AM

Introduction and Welcome

Sen. Michael Sirotkin, Chair, Senate Economic
Development, Housing and General Affairs
Committee

10:35 AM

Roundtable Participants Introduction

10:45 AM

Presentation: General Overview of Housing Needs in Franklin County

Catherine Dimitruk, Executive Director, Northwest
Regional Planning Commission

10:50 AM

Roundtable Discussion on Affordable Housing

Connie Beal, Working Bridges Innovation Manager,
United Way of Northwest Vermont

Jon Billings, Vice President of Community Relations,
Northwest Medical Center

Grant Butterfield, Developer

Dominic Cloud, City Manager, City of St. Albans

Brendon Deso, Mobile Home Dealer/Developer

Marianne Di Mascio, Regional Director, St. Alban's
Academic Center

Catherine Dimitruk, Executive Director, Northwest
Regional Planning Commission

Katie Mobley, Director of Secondary Education
Initiatives

Nancy Owens, President, Housing Vermont

Tim Smith, Executive Director, Franklin County Industrial
Corporation

Chris Snyder, Developer

Kristine Stell, Realtor, Past President Northwest
Regional Planning Commission

Brenda Torpy, Director, Champlain Housing Trust

12:45 PM Committee Discussion

Testimony on 9 V.S.A 2454 a (Added by Act 179 of 2018)
Automatic Contract Renewals
Invited to Testify-Attorney General's Office,
Representatives from Apple, Amazon, and Comcast

Joshua Diamond, Deputy Attorney General, Attorney
General's Office

David Hall, Legislative Counsel, Office of Legislative
Counsel

1:15 PM Adjourn

1:45 PM Walking Tour of St. Alban's Housing Projects

2:45 PM End of Tour

Thursday, December 12, 2019

Meeting Details

**Hearing
Type** Standard

Meeting Record

12:30 PM Introduction and Welcome

Michael Sirotkin, Chair, Senate Economic Development ,
Housing and General Affairs Committee

**12:35 PM Presentation:General Overview of Housing Needs in
Windham County**

Pete Paggi, Director of Real Estate Development,
Windsor and Windham Housing Trust

12:45 PM SEDHGA Roundtable on Affordable Housing

Michelle Bos-Lun, Health Care Rehab Services of
Vermont Board Member, Brattleboro

Pat Burke, Family Services, Westminster

Chris Campany, Executive Director, Windham Regional
Commission

Lynn Carey, Homeless Liason, Windham Northeast
Supervisory Union

Katherine Cummings, Community Health Team Lead
and Care Coordinator, Brattleboro Memorial
Hospital

Kay Curtis, Tri-Park Mobile Home Park Board Member,
Brattleboro

Sue Fillion, Planning Director, Brattleboro

Denny Frehsee, Board President/Retired Architect and
Builder, Windham and Windsor Housing Trust

Michelle Harrington, Windham Northeast Supervisory
Union

Wendy Harrison, Municipal Manager, Rockingham

Gretchen Havreluk, Director of Economic Development,
Wilmington

Rick Holloway, Chroma Technology, Rockingham

Jill James, Chroma Technology, Rockingham

Rep. Emilie Kornheiser, Sponsor, House Committee on
Commerce and Economic Development

Crystal Mansfield, Director of Rehabilitation and
Services, Wellness Programs, Grace Cottage

Pete Paggi, Director of Real Estate Development,
Windsor and Windham Housing Trust

Kurt White, Sr Director of Ambulatory Services,
Brattleboro Retreat

2:30 PM Public Comment

3:00 PM Adjourn

Tuesday, January 7, 2020

Meeting Details

**Hearing
Type** Standard

Meeting Record

10:00 AM Senate Floor

10:30 AM Committee Discussion

12:00 PM Adjourn

Wednesday, January 8, 2020

Meeting Details

**Hearing
Type** Standard

Meeting Record

9:00 AM Housing Issues and Omnibus Housing Bill

Chris Cochran, Director of Community Planning & Revitalization, Housing and Community Development

Josh Hanford, Acting Commissioner, Department of Housing and Community Development

10:30 AM Break

10:45 AM Omnibus Housing Bill

Walk-through of Omnibus Bill Sections drafted to date

Ellen Czajkowski, Legislative Counsel, Office of Legislative Counsel

David Hall, Legislative Counsel, Office of Legislative Counsel

Rebecca Wasserman, Legislative Counsel, Office of Legislative Counsel

12:00 PM Adjourn

Thursday, January 9, 2020

Meeting Details

Hearing Type	Standard
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Meeting Record

9:30 AM Introduction and Welcome

*Meeting held at Holiday Inn Ballroom
South Burlington VT*

Kevin Dorn, City Manager, City of South Burlington

Sen. Michael Sirotkin, Chair, Senate Economic
Development, Housing and General Affairs
Committee

Miro Weinberger, Mayor, City Of Burlington

9:50 AM Presentation:General Overview of Housing Needs in Chittenden County

Charles Baker, Executive Director, Chittenden County
Regional Planning Commission

10:00 AM Roundtable Participant Introductions

10:05 AM Roundtable Discussion on Affordable Housing

Jesse Baker, Winooski City Manager

Kathy Beyer, Vice President for Development, Housing
Vermont

Matt Boulanger, Planning Director, Town of Williston

Maura Collins, Executive Director, Vermont Housing
Finance Agency

Kelly Deforge, Senior Mortgage Loan Officer, Union
Bank

Eric Farrell, Local Real Estate Junkie, Farrell Properties

Jordan Giaconia, Public Policy Director, Vermont
Businesses for Social Responsibility

Laurie Gunn, CEO and Vice President for Human
Resources, UVM Medical Center

Sandrine Kibuey, Director, VT Tenants & Mobile Home
Program/CVOEO

Rob Miller, CEO, VSECU

Michael Monte, Chief Financial and Operating Officer,
Champlain Housing Trust

Robert Provost, Small Housing Project Developer

Cindy Reid, Director of Development, Cathedral Square
Corporation

Joe Speidel, Director of Local and Community Relations,
UVM

Tom Torti, President, Lake Champlain Regional
Chamber of Commerce

Larry Williams, Owner, Redstone

Justin Worthly, Senior Vice President, Burton Global

12:00 PM Adjourn

10:15 AM Housing Finance Report

Beth Pearce, State Treasurer, Office of the State
Treasurer

Friday, January 10, 2020

Meeting Details

**Hearing
Type** Standard

Meeting Record

8:30 AM Overview

Overview of 2018 and 2019 laws and proposed bills for 2020

David Hall, Legislative Counsel, Office of Legislative Counsel

9:00 AM Remote Worker and Relocated Worker Program

Joan Goldstein, Commissioner, Department of Economic Development, Agency of Commerce and Community Development

10:30 AM Paid Family Leave

Beth Fastiggi, Commissioner, Department of Human Resources

Steve Howard, Executive Director, Vermont State Employees Association

Michael Pieciak, Commissioner, Department of Financial Regulation

11:30 AM Senate Floor

Tuesday, January 14, 2020

Meeting Details

Hearing Type	Standard
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Meeting Record

9:30 AM	Senate Floor
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11:00 AM	Remote Worker and Relocated Worker Program
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Joan Goldstein, Commissioner, Department of
Economic Development, Agency of Commerce and
Community Development
Doug Hoffer, State Auditor, State Auditor's Office

Wednesday, January 15, 2020

Meeting Details

Hearing Type	Standard
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Meeting Record

8:30 AM	Conference Committees
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10:00 AM **Vermont Tourism Day**

Room 11

11:00 AM **Primary Care Workforce Shortage Solutions**

Senate Committee on Health and Welfare, Room 17

11:30 AM **Homelessness Awareness Day**

House Chamber

Thursday, January 16, 2020

Meeting Details

Hearing Type	Standard
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Meeting Record

8:30 AM **S.257 - An act relating to improving rental housing health and safety**

Sarah Carpenter, Chair, Rental Housing Advisory Board

Michael Desrochers, Executive Director of Fire
Management, Department of Public Safety

David Hall, Legislative Counsel, Office of Legislative
Counsel

Josh Hanford, Commissioner, Department of Housing
and Community Development

Karen Horn, Director, Public Policy & Advocacy,
Vermont League of Cities and Towns

Shayla Livingston, Public Health Policy Advisor,
Department of Health

Erhard Mahnke, Coordinator, Vermont Affordable
Housing Coalition

Wendy Morgan, Staff Attorney, Vermont Legal Aid

10:45 AM **Break**

11:00 AM **S.23 - An act relating to increasing the minimum wage**

Damien Leonard, Legislative Counsel, Office of
Legislative Counsel

Joyce Manchester, Senior Economist, Joint Fiscal Office

Friday, January 17, 2020

Meeting Details

Hearing Type	Standard
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Meeting Record

8:30 AM **Housing Finance Report**

Beth Pearce, State Treasurer, Office of the State
Treasurer

10:10 AM Housing Bond

Maura Collins, Executive Director, Vermont Housing
Finance Agency

Geoff Proulx, Municipal Housing Finance, Morgan
Stanley

11:30 AM Senate Floor

Tuesday, January 21, 2020

Meeting Details

Hearing Type	Standard
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Meeting Record

9:30 AM	S.23 - An act relating to increasing the minimum wage <i>Committee of Conference, Room 47</i>
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10:45 AM	S.237 - An act relating to promoting affordable housing <i>Walk-Through of Bill</i>
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Ellen Czajkowski, Legislative Counsel, Office of
Legislative Counsel

David Hall, Legislative Counsel, Office of Legislative
Counsel

Rebecca Wasserman, Legislative Counsel, Office of
Legislative Counsel

- **S.237 - An act relating to promoting affordable housing**

Proposed Amendments

Chris Cochran, Director of Community Planning &
Revitalization, Housing and Community
Development

Josh Hanford, Commissioner, Department of Housing
and Community Development

Wednesday, January 22, 2020

Meeting Details

Hearing Type	Standard
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Meeting Record

8:30 AM	Governor's Economic Development Initiatives
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Ted Brady, Deputy Commissioner, Agency of
Commerce and Community Development

Joan Goldstein, Commissioner, Department of
Economic Development, Agency of Commerce and
Community Development

Josh Hanford, Commissioner, Department of Housing
and Community Development

Michael Harrington, Acting Commissioner, Department
of Labor

Lindsay Kurrle, Secretary, Agency of Commerce and
Community Development

Heather Pelham, Commissioner, Department of Tourism
and Marketing, Agency of Commerce and
Community Development

10:00 AM S.237 - An act relating to promoting affordable housing

Mobile Home Section

Jonathan Bond, Executive Director, Housing
Foundation, Inc.

Kay Curtis, Resident and Board Director, Tri-Park
Cooperative Housing Corporation

Shaun Gilpin, Housing Policy Specialist, Department of
Housing and Community Development

Jennifer Hollar, Director of Policy and Special Projects,
Vermont Housing and Conservation Board

Mary Houghton, Board Member, Tri-Park Cooperative
Housing Corporation

Seth Leonard, Managing Director Community
Development, Vermont Housing Finance Agency

Erhard Mahnke, Coordinator, Vermont Affordable
Housing Coalition

12:00 PM S.23 - An act relating to increasing the minimum wage

Committee of Conference, Room 47

Thursday, January 23, 2020

Meeting Details

Hearing Type	Standard
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Meeting Record

8:30 AM	S.237 - An act relating to promoting affordable housing
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Mobile Home Section

Erhard Mahnke, Coordinator, Vermont Affordable
Housing Coalition

8:40 AM	S.254 - An act relating to union organizing
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Jeff Fannon, Executive Director, Vermont National
Education Association

Steve Howard, Executive Director, Vermont State
Employees Association

Damien Leonard, Legislative Counsel, Office of
Legislative Counsel

David Mickenberg, Lobbyist, Working Vermont

Heather Riemer, Director, American Federation of
Teachers VT

10:40 AM	S.237 - An act relating to promoting affordable housing
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Section on Homelessness

Maura Collins, Board President, Pathways Vermont

Alison Harte, Director of Policy & Program Integration,
Agency of Human Services

Rebeka Lawrence-Gomez, Deputy Director, Pathways
Vermont, and Co-Chair, Vermont Coalition to End
Homelessness

Hilary Melton, Executive Director, Pathways Vermont

Richard Williams, Executive Director, Vermont State
Housing Authority

Friday, January 24, 2020

Meeting Details

Hearing Type	Standard
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Meeting Record

8:30 AM	S.231 - An act relating to expanding apprenticeship opportunities
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Hugh Bradshaw, Assistant Director, Workforce
Development Division, Department of Labor

Sarah Buxton, Director, State Workforce Development,
Department of Labor

Sen. Alison Clarkson, Sponsor, Windsor County

David Hall, Legislative Counsel, Office of Legislative
Counsel

Will Lippolis, CEO & Founder, ApprentiScope

10:15 AM S.237 - An act relating to promoting affordable housing

Accessory Dwelling Units

Chris Cochran, Director of Community Planning &
Revitalization, Housing and Community
Development

Ellen Czajkowski, Legislative Counsel, Office of
Legislative Counsel

Jacob Hemmerick, Planning and Policy Manager,
Department of Housing and Community
Development

Tyler Maas, Accessory Dwelling Unit Program, Vermont
State Housing Authority

11:30 AM Senate Floor

Tuesday, January 28, 2020

Meeting Details

Hearing Type	Standard
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Meeting Record

9:30 AM Senate Floor

10:00 AM S.237 - An act relating to promoting affordable housing

Accessory Dwelling Units

Kelly Stoddard-Poor, Director, Community Outreach,
AARP Vermont

10:30 AM Northeast Kingdom Collaborative

Joe Short, Vice President, Northern Forest Center

Katherine Sims, Director, Northeast Kingdom
Collaborative

Luke Sussdorf, Manager of Special Events, Jay Peak
Resort

Jessie Upton, Co-owner, Whetstone Wellness

11:00 AM Review bill status

Wednesday, January 29, 2020

Meeting Details

Hearing Type	Standard
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Meeting Record

9:45 AM Governor's Economic Development Initiatives

Ted Brady, Deputy Commissioner, Agency of
Commerce and Community Development

Joan Goldstein, Commissioner, Department of
Economic Development, Agency of Commerce and
Community Development

Josh Hanford, Commissioner, Department of Housing
and Community Development

Michael Harrington, Acting Commissioner, Department
of Labor

Lindsay Kurrle, Secretary, Agency of Commerce and
Community Development

Heather Pelham, Commissioner, Department of Tourism
and Marketing, Agency of Commerce and
Community Development

Thursday, January 30, 2020

Meeting Details

Hearing Type	Standard
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Meeting Record

8:30 AM	S.237 - An act relating to promoting affordable housing
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Sections (1) through (11) relating to Act 250

Chris Cochran, Director of Community Planning &
Revitalization, Housing and Community
Development

Ellen Czajkowski, Legislative Counsel, Office of
Legislative Counsel

Kate McCarthy, Sustainable Communities Program
Director, Vermont Natural Resources Council

10:00 AM Vermont Housing & Conservation Coalition

*Joint Committee Meeting with Senate Committee on
Natural Resources and Energy
ROOM 10.*

Monica Collins, Town of Hancock

Steve Libby, Executive Director, Vermont River
Conservancy

David Newell, Prospect Mountain Association

Nancy Owens, President, Housing Vermont

Lyssa Papazian, Project Manager, Putney Historical
Society

Josh Ryan, Principal, Timber and Stone LLC

11:00 AM Vermont Mortgage Bankers Association

Chris Rice, Lobbyist, Vermont Mortgage Bankers
Association

11:15 AM Joint Committee Meeting

*Joint committee meeting with House Commerce and
Economic Development
ROOM 11*

Sarah Buxton, Director, State Workforce Development,
Department of Labor

Dustin Degree, Director Workforce Expansion and Exec
Director of State Workforce Development Board,

Department of Labor
Erika Hoffman-Kiess, Summit Facilitator, Workforce
Development Summit
Fred Kenney, Executive Director, Addison County
Economic Development Corporation
Jeff Lewis, Summit Facilitator, Workforce Development
Summit

Friday, January 31, 2020

Meeting Details

Hearing Type	Standard
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Meeting Record

8:30 AM	S.331 - An act relating to reducing student loan debt for rural Vermont workers
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Sen. Alison Clarkson, Sponsor

David Hall, Legislative Counsel, Office of Legislative
Counsel

Tom Little, Vice President of General Counsel, Vermont
Student Assistance Corporation

Sen. Richard Westman

9:00 AM	S.135 - An act relating to consumer protection and automobile financing
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Sen. Becca Balint, Sponsor

Clare Buckley, Lobbyist, Vermont Auto Dealers'
Association

David Hall, Legislative Counsel, Office of Legislative
Counsel

Jay Mitchell, Owner of Dealership, Vermont Auto
Dealers' Association

Wendy Morgan, Staff Attorney, Vermont Legal Aid

Grace Pazdan, Attorney, Vermont Legal Aid

**10:00 AM S.242 - An act relating to funding to support a dental
therapy laboratory at Vermont Technical College**

Pat Moulton , President, Vermont Technical College

Rebecca Wasserman, Legislative Counsel, Office of
Legislative Counsel

10:30 AM Break

**10:45 AM S.250 - An act relating to applying Vermont prevailing
wages to school construction projects**

Sen. Christopher A. Pearson, Sponsor

Rebecca Wasserman, Legislative Counsel, Office of
Legislative Counsel

11:30 AM Senate Floor

Tuesday, February 4, 2020

Meeting Details

Hearing Type	Standard
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Meeting Record

9:30 AM	Senate Floor
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10:00 AM	S.135 - An act relating to consumer protection and automobile financing
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Committee Discussion

10:15 AM	S.237 - An act relating to promoting affordable housing
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Chris Cochran, Director of Community Planning & Revitalization, Housing and Community Development

Ellen Czajkowski, Legislative Counsel, Office of Legislative Counsel

Karen Horn, Director, Public Policy & Advocacy, Vermont League of Cities and Towns

Erhard Mahnke, Coordinator, Vermont Affordable Housing Coalition

Wednesday, February 5, 2020

Meeting Details

**Hearing
Type** Standard

Meeting Record

**8:30 AM S.256 - An act relating to creating the New Vermont
Employee Incentive Program**

Joan Goldstein, Commissioner, Department of
Economic Development, Agency of Commerce and
Community Development

David Hall, Legislative Counsel, Office of Legislative
Counsel

**9:00 AM S.135 - An act relating to consumer protection and
automobile financing**

Clare Buckley, Lobbyist, Vermont Auto Dealers'
Association

David Hall, Legislative Counsel, Office of Legislative
Counsel

Wendy Morgan, Staff Attorney, Vermont Legal Aid

**10:30 AM Governor's Vermont Economic Progress Council
Expansions**

Joan Goldstein, Commissioner, Department of
Economic Development, Agency of Commerce and
Community Development

Cassie Polhemus, Chief Executive Officer, Vermont
Economic Development Authority

Thursday, February 6, 2020

Meeting Details

Hearing Type	Standard
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Meeting Record

9:00 AM	Vermont Census 2020
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Room 11

*Joint Committee Meeting with House Commerce and
Economic Development*

Jeff Behler, Regional Director, NY Regional Census
Center

Jason Broughton, State Librarian, Department of
Libraries

Michael Moser, Coordinator, UVM Vermont Data Center

Bob Stock, Partnership Specialist, Field Division, New
York Regional Center, United States Census Bureau

10:00 AM	Business Portal
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James Condos, Vermont Secretary of State

Joan Goldstein, Commissioner, Department of
Economic Development, Agency of Commerce and

Community Development
David Hall, Legislative Counsel, Office of Legislative
Counsel
John Quinn, Secretary, Agency of Digital Services
Chris Winters, Deputy Secretary, Secretary of State's
Office

Friday, February 7, 2020

Meeting Details

Hearing Type	Standard
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Meeting Record

9:30 AM	S.237 - An act relating to promoting affordable housing
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Housing Financing Issues

Maura Collins, Executive Director, Vermont Housing
Finance Agency

Michael Gaughan, Executive Director, Vermont
Municipal Bond Bank

Jennifer Hollar, Director of Policy and Special Projects,
Vermont Housing and Conservation Board

Gus Seelig, Executive Director, Vermont Housing and
Conservation Board

Rebecca Wasserman, Legislative Counsel, Office of
Legislative Counsel

11:30 AM

Senate Floor

Tuesday, February 11, 2020

Meeting Details

Hearing Type	Standard
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Meeting Record

9:30 AM	Senate Floor
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10:00 AM	S.288 - An act relating to banning flavored tobacco products and e-liquids
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Jennifer Carbee, Deputy Chief Counsel, Office of
Legislative Counsel

Jennifer Costa, Government Relations Director,
American Cancer Society Cancer Action Network

Kinn Elliott, Director of Tax Policy, Vapor Technology
Association

Sen. Virginia "Ginny" Lyons, Sponsor

Andrew MacLean, MMR, British American Tobacco,
formerly RAI, formerly Reynolds Tobacco

Wednesday, February 12, 2020

Meeting Details

Hearing Type

Standard

Meeting Record

8:30 AM

S.231 - An act relating to expanding apprenticeship opportunities

Hugh Bradshaw, Assistant Director, Workforce Development Division, Department of Labor
Sarah Buxton, Director, State Workforce Development, Department of Labor
David Hall, Legislative Counsel, Office of Legislative Counsel
Tiffany Keune, Assoc. Dean of Workforce Education, Community College of Vermont
Jay Ramsey, Director, Career and Technical Education, Agency of Education

10:15 AM

Break

10:30 AM

S.331 - An act relating to reducing student loan debt for rural Vermont workers

Erin Bombard, Director, Greater Burlington Young Professionals
Marilyn Cargill, Vice President, Financial Aid Services, Marketing and Research, Vermont Student Assistance Corporation

Maura Collins, Executive Director, Vermont Housing
Finance Agency

Chris D'Elia, President, Vermont Bankers' Association

Austin Davis, Government Affairs Manager, Lake
Champlain Regional Chamber of Commerce

Matt Dunne, Executive Director, Center on Rural
Innovation

David Hall, Legislative Counsel, Office of Legislative
Counsel

Abby Shepard, Legislative Counsel, Office of Legislative
Counsel

Thursday, February 13, 2020

Meeting Details

Hearing Type	Standard
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Meeting Record

8:30 AM	S.237 - An act relating to promoting affordable housing
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Housing Financing Issues

Maura Collins, Executive Director, Vermont Housing
Finance Agency

Michael Gaughan, Executive Director, Vermont
Municipal Bond Bank

Jennifer Hollar, Director of Policy and Special Projects,
Vermont Housing and Conservation Board

Gus Seelig, Executive Director, Vermont Housing and Conservation Board

Rebecca Wasserman, Legislative Counsel, Office of Legislative Counsel

10:30 AM **Break**

10:45 AM **S.237 - An act relating to promoting affordable housing**

Continuation of House Financing Issues and Above-listed Witnesses

Friday, February 14, 2020

Meeting Details

**Hearing
Type** Standard

Meeting Record

8:30 AM **S.254 - An act relating to union organizing**

Jeff Fannon, Executive Director, Vermont National Education Association

Jes Kraus, Chief Human Resources Officer, University of Vermont

Damien Leonard, Legislative Counsel, Office of Legislative Counsel

Joseph McNeil, Vermont School Boards Association

Tim Noonan, Executive Director, Labor Relations Board
Jeb Spaulding, Chancellor, Vermont State College
System
Jonathan D. Wolff, Lobbyist, Vermont State Colleges

10:20 AM Break

**10:30 AM S.187 - An act relating to transient occupancy for health
care treatment and recovery**

Introduced

Sen. Tim Ashe, Sponsor
Jason Williams, Director of Government and Community
Relations, University of Vermont Medical Center

**10:45 AM S.250 - An act relating to applying Vermont prevailing
wages to school construction projects**

Jeff Fannon, Executive Director, Vermont National
Education Association
Jennifer Fitch, Deputy Commissioner, Buildings &
General Services
David Mickenberg, Lobbyist, Working Vermont
Rebecca Wasserman, Legislative Counsel, Office of
Legislative Counsel

11:30 AM Senate Floor

Tuesday, February 18, 2020

Meeting Details

Hearing Type	Standard
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Meeting Record

9:30 AM	Senate Floor
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10:00 AM	S.187 - An act relating to transient occupancy for health care treatment and recovery
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Committee Discussion and Possible Vote

Katie McLinn, Legislative Counsel, Office of Legislative Counsel

10:30 AM	S.242 - An act relating to funding to support a dental therapy laboratory at Vermont Technical College
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Committee Discussion and Possible Vote

10:45 AM	S.250 - An act relating to applying Vermont prevailing wages to school construction projects
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Committee Discussion and Possible Vote

Sue Ceglowski, Executive Director, Vermont School Boards Association

David Mickenberg, Lobbyist, Working Vermont

Larry Moquin, Regional Organizer, NE, Laborers' International Union of North America

Matt Musgrave, Government Affairs Director, Associated
General Contractors of Vermont
Mark Perrault, Senior Fiscal Analyst, Joint Fiscal Office

11:15 AM S.254 - An act relating to union organizing

Committee Discussion and Possible Vote

Tim Noonan, Executive Director, Labor Relations Board
Heather Reimer, American Federation of Teachers

**11:45 AM S.256 - An act relating to creating the New Vermont
Employee Incentive Program**

Committee Discussion and Possible Vote

Wednesday, February 19, 2020

Meeting Details

Hearing Type	Standard
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Meeting Record

8:30 AM S.237 - An act relating to promoting affordable housing

Chris Cochran, Director of Community Planning &
Revitalization, Housing and Community
Development

Ellen Czajkowski, Legislative Counsel, Office of
Legislative Counsel

Josh Hanford, Commissioner, Department of Housing
and Community Development

10:15 AM Committee Bill

Economic Development Initiatives

Joan Goldstein, Commissioner, Department of
Economic Development, Agency of Commerce and
Community Development

Nick Grimley, Director of Entrepreneurship & Tech
Commercialization, Agency of Commerce and
Community Development

Megan Sullivan, Executive Director, Vermont Economic
Progress Council

Thursday, February 20, 2020

Meeting Details

Hearing Type	Standard
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Meeting Record

8:30 AM S.213 - An act relating to sports wagering

Tucker Anderson, Legislative Counsel, Office of
Legislative Counsel

Kevin Cochran, Governmental Affairs, Draft Kings
Gary Kessler, Deputy Commissioner, Department of
Liquor and Lottery
Damien Leonard, Legislative Counsel, Office of
Legislative Counsel
Kip Levin, President and Chief Operating Officer,
FanDuel

**10:00 AM S.59 - An act relating to the creation of the Sports
Betting Study Committee**

*Continuation of Witnesses and Discussion from related
Bill S. 213*

10:15 AM Break

10:30 AM Joint Assembly

Joint Assembly

11:00 AM Senate Floor

Immediately follows the Joint Assembly

Friday, February 21, 2020

Meeting Details

Hearing Type	Standard
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Meeting Record

8:30 AM S.237 - An act relating to promoting affordable housing

Accessory Dwelling Units

Charlie Baker, Executive Director, Chittenden County
Regional Planning Commission

Ellen Czajkowski, Legislative Counsel, Office of
Legislative Counsel

David Hall, Legislative Counsel, Office of Legislative
Counsel

Tyler Maas, Accessory Dwelling Unit Program, Vermont
State Housing Authority

Meagan Tuttle, Principal Planner, City Of Burlington

9:15 AM S.237 - An act relating to promoting affordable housing

Mobile Home Parks

Arthur Hamlin, Housing Program Coordinator - Mobile
Home Parks, Department of Housing and
Community Development

Josh Hanford, Commissioner, Department of Housing
and Community Development

Erhard Mahnke, Coordinator, Vermont Affordable
Housing Coalition

10:00 AM S.237 - An act relating to promoting affordable housing

Homelessness Issues

Patrick Gallagher, Development Director, Pathways
Vermont

Erhard Mahnke, Coordinator, Vermont Affordable
Housing Coalition

11:00 AM Committee Bill

Economic Development Initiatives

Christopher Gagne, President and Brewmaster, Hermit
Thrush Brewery

Seth Jensen, Planning Commissioner, Westford

11:30 AM Senate Floor

Tuesday, February 25, 2020

Meeting Details

Hearing Type	Standard
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Meeting Record

9:30 AM Senate Floor

**9:45 AM S.331 - An act relating to reducing student loan debt for
rural Vermont workers**

Maura Collins, Executive Director, Vermont Housing
Finance Agency

Abby Shepard, Legislative Counsel, Office of Legislative
Counsel

10:15 AM S.237 - An act relating to promoting affordable housing

Ellen Czajkowski, Legislative Counsel, Office of
Legislative Counsel

Kate McCarthy, Sustainable Communities Program
Director, Vermont Natural Resources Council

11:30 AM Implicit Bias Training

Legislative Lounge

Bor Yang, Executive Director, VT Human Rights
Commission

Wednesday, February 26, 2020

Meeting Details

Hearing Type	Standard
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Meeting Record

8:30 AM S.237 - An act relating to promoting affordable housing

Committee Discussion and Mark-up related to bill sections on Homelessness, Mobile Home Parks, Short-Term Rentals, Accessory Dwelling Units, and other sections as time allows

Ellen Czajkowski, Legislative Counsel, Office of
Legislative Counsel

David Hall, Legislative Counsel, Office of Legislative
Counsel

**10:00 AM S.187 - An act relating to transient occupancy for health
care treatment and recovery**

*Committee Discussion, Mark-up and Consideration of Bill
Relative to S. 237*

Katie McLinn, Legislative Counsel, Office of Legislative
Counsel

10:30 AM S.237 - An act relating to promoting affordable housing

David Hall, Legislative Counsel, Office of Legislative
Counsel

Charles Storrow, Lobbyist, CT Attorneys Title Company

Thursday, February 27, 2020

Meeting Details

Hearing Type	Standard
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Meeting Record

8:30 AM

Committee Bill

Economic Development Initiatives

Committee Discussion and Mark-up

David Hall, Legislative Counsel, Office of Legislative Counsel

Seth Jensen, Planning Commissioner, Westford

Heather Pelham, Commissioner, Department of Tourism and Marketing, Agency of Commerce and Community Development

Avery Schwenk, Co-owner, Hermit Thrush Brewery, Brattleboro

Megan Sullivan, Executive Director, Vermont Economic Progress Council

Chris Winters, Deputy Secretary, Secretary of State's Office

Friday, February 28, 2020

Meeting Details

**Hearing
Type**

Standard

Meeting Record

8:30 AM

S.237 - An act relating to promoting affordable housing

Committee Discussion and Mark-up on multiple bill sections.

Eric Blatt, Director Facilities Engineering Division,
Department of Environmental Conservation

Ellen Czajkowski, Legislative Counsel, Office of
Legislative Counsel

David Hall, Legislative Counsel, Office of Legislative
Counsel

Jacob Hemmerick, Planning and Policy Manager,
Department of Housing and Community
Development

Beth Pearce, State Treasurer, Office of the State
Treasurer

10:00 AM Committee Bill

*Economic Development Initiatives
Committee Discussion and Mark-Up*

Graham Campbell, Senior Fiscal Analyst, Joint Fiscal
Office

Joan Goldstein, Commissioner, Department of
Economic Development, Agency of Commerce and
Community Development

David Hall, Legislative Counsel, Office of Legislative
Counsel

Stephen Klein, Chief Legislative Fiscal Officer, Joint
Fiscal Office

Megan Sullivan, Executive Director, Vermont Economic
Progress Council

Rebecca Wasserman, Legislative Counsel, Office of
Legislative Counsel

11:30 AM

Senate Floor

Tuesday, March 10, 2020

Meeting Details

**Hearing
Type**

Standard

Meeting Record

9:30 AM

Senate Floor

10:00 AM

S.187 - An act relating to transient occupancy for health care treatment and recovery

Vote

Katie McLinn, Legislative Counsel, Office of Legislative Counsel

10:15 AM

S.237 - An act relating to promoting affordable housing

Committee Discussion, Mark-Up and Possible Vote

Chris Cochran, Director of Community Planning & Revitalization, Housing and Community Development

Ellen Czajkowski, Legislative Counsel, Office of Legislative Counsel

David Hall, Legislative Counsel, Office of Legislative
Counsel

Josh Hanford, Commissioner, Department of Housing
and Community Development

Charles Storrow, Lobbyist, CT Attorneys Title Company

11:00 AM Committee Bill

Economic Development Initiatives

Committee Discussion, Mark-Up and Possible Vote

David Hall, Legislative Counsel, Office of Legislative
Counsel

Wednesday, March 11, 2020

Meeting Details

Hearing Type	Standard
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Meeting Record

8:30 AM S.237 - An act relating to promoting affordable housing

Committee Discussion, Mark-Up and Possible Vote

Chris Cochran, Director of Community Planning &
Revitalization, Housing and Community
Development

Ellen Czajkowski, Legislative Counsel, Office of
Legislative Counsel

Shaun Gilpin, Housing Program Administrator,
Department of Housing and Community
Development

David Hall, Legislative Counsel, Office of Legislative
Counsel

Rebecca Wasserman, Legislative Counsel, Office of
Legislative Counsel

**10:00 AM S.256 - An act relating to creating the New Vermont
Employee Incentive Program**

*language substantially and formerly part of the Economic
Development Incentives Committee Bill*

Graham Campbell, Senior Fiscal Analyst, Joint Fiscal
Office

Joan Goldstein, Commissioner, Department of
Economic Development

David Hall, Legislative Counsel, Office of Legislative
Counsel

Megan Sullivan, Executive Director, Vermont Economic
Progress Council

Rebecca Wasserman, Legislative Counsel, Office of
Legislative Counsel

10:15 AM Committee Bill

*Economic Development Incentives
Committee Discussion, Mark-Up and Possible Vote*

Graham Campbell, Senior Fiscal Analyst, Joint Fiscal
Office

Joan Goldstein, Commissioner, Department of
Economic Development

David Hall, Legislative Counsel, Office of Legislative
Counsel

Megan Sullivan, Executive Director, Vermont Economic
Progress Council

Rebecca Wasserman, Legislative Counsel, Office of
Legislative Counsel

12:15 AM Extra Committee Time If Needed

Thursday, March 12, 2020

Meeting Details

Hearing Type	Standard
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Meeting Record

**8:00 AM S.256 - An act relating to creating the New Vermont
Employee Incentive Program**

Committee Discussion, Mark-Up and Vote

Joan Goldstein, Commissioner, Department of
Economic Development

David Hall, Legislative Counsel, Office of Legislative
Counsel

Megan Sullivan, Executive Director, Vermont Economic
Progress Council

Rebecca Wasserman, Legislative Counsel, Office of
Legislative Counsel

**11:00 AM S.331 - An act relating to reducing student loan debt for
rural Vermont workers**

Graham Campbell, Senior Fiscal Analyst, Joint Fiscal
Office

David Hall, Legislative Counsel, Office of Legislative
Counsel

Abby Shepard, Legislative Counsel, Office of Legislative
Counsel

Friday, March 13, 2020

Meeting Details

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Meeting Record

**8:00 AM S.331 - An act relating to reducing student loan debt for
rural Vermont workers**

Graham Campbell, Senior Fiscal Analyst, Joint Fiscal
Office

Marilyn Cargill, Vice President, Financial Aid Services,
Marketing and Research, Vermont Student

Assistance Corporation

Maura Collins, Executive Director, Vermont Housing
Finance Agency

Austin Davis, Government Affairs Manager, Lake
Champlain Regional Chamber of Commerce

David Hall, Legislative Counsel, Office of Legislative
Counsel

Tom Little, Vice President, General Counsel, and
Assistant Secretary, Vermont Student Assistance
Corporation

Abby Shepard, Legislative Counsel, Office of Legislative
Counsel

**9:15 AM S.256 - An act relating to creating the New Vermont
Employee Incentive Program**

Committee Discussion, Mark-Up and Vote

Joan Goldstein, Commissioner, Department of
Economic Development

David Hall, Legislative Counsel, Office of Legislative
Counsel

Megan Sullivan, Executive Director, Vermont Economic
Progress Council

Rebecca Wasserman, Legislative Counsel, Office of
Legislative Counsel

10:00 AM S.254 - An act relating to union organizing

Follow-Up Testimony, Mark-Up and Possible Vote

Damien Leonard, Legislative Counsel, Office of
Legislative Counsel

11:00 AM **S.59 - An act relating to the creation of the Sports Betting Study Committee**

Possible Vote

Damien Leonard, Legislative Counsel, Office of
Legislative Counsel

11:20 AM **S.242 - An act relating to funding to support a dental therapy laboratory at Vermont Technical College**

Possible Vote

Rebecca Wasserman, Legislative Counsel, Office of
Legislative Counsel

11:30 AM **Senate Floor**

Wednesday, March 18, 2020

Meeting Details

Hearing Type	Standard
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Meeting Record

2:00 PM **Covid 19 Response Committee Discussion**

Unemployment Insurance and Leave Policies

Michael Harrington, Acting Commissioner, Department
of Labor

Damien Leonard, Legislative Counsel, Office of
Legislative Counsel

Conference Call

Call-in Number: 1-877-278-2734

Participant Code: 505982

*We request that those calling in who are not on the
witness list place their phones on mute. Thank you!*

Thursday, March 19, 2020

Meeting Details

Hearing Type	Standard
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Meeting Record

10:00 AM	Covid 19 Response Committee Discussion
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Unemployment Insurance and Leave Policies

Michael Harrington, Acting Commissioner, Department
of Labor

Damien Leonard, Legislative Counsel, Office of
Legislative Counsel

11:00 AM Covid 19 Response Committee Discussion

Grocery Supply Issues

Erin Sigrist, President, Vermont Retail & Grocers
Association

11:30 AM Covid 19 Response Committee Discussion

Landlord Tenant Issues

Patricia Gabel, Vermont State Court Administrator,
Vermont Judiciary
Jessica Radbord, Staff Attorney, Vermont Legal Aid

Conference Call

Friday, March 20, 2020

Meeting Details

Hearing Type	Standard
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Meeting Record

11:00 PM Covid 19 Response Committee Discussion

Unemployment Insurance and Leave Policies

Damien Leonard, Legislative Counsel, Office of
Legislative Counsel

Conference Call

Monday, March 23, 2020

Meeting Details

Hearing Type	Standard
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Meeting Record

10:00 AM	Covid 19 Response Committee Discussion
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Unemployment Insurance - H.681 Draft 2.5 3/22/20

Michael Harrington, Acting Commissioner, Department
of Labor

Damien Leonard, Legislative Counsel, Office of
Legislative Counsel

Conference Call

Thursday, March 26, 2020

Meeting Details

Hearing Type	Standard
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Meeting Record

12:00 PM Covid 19 Response Committee Discussion

*Landlord Tenant Issues, Evictions, Foreclosures,
Residential and Commercial*

Chris D'Elia, President, Vermont Bankers' Association

Jed Davis, Farmhouse Group

Hon. Brian Grearson, Chief Superior Judge, Office of
Chief Superior Judge

Josh Hanford, Commissioner, Department of Housing
and Community Development

Jean Murray, Attorney, Vermont Legal Aid

Michael Pieciak, Commissioner, Department of Financial
Regulation

Miro Weinberger, Mayor, City Of Burlington

Angela Zaikowski , Director, Vermont Apartment
Owners Association, LLC

1:28 PM Break

1:45 PM Covid 19 Response Committee Discussion

Self Employed, Independent Contractor

Joan Goldstein, Commissioner, Department of
Economic Development

Michael Harrington, Acting Commissioner, Department
of Labor

Damien Leonard, Legislative Counsel, Office of
Legislative Counsel

Chris Saunders, Office of Senator Patrick Leahy

Jessica Vintinner, Legislative Director and Principal
Assistant, Department of Labor

3:05 PM Covid 19 Response Committee Discussion

Worker's Compensation Issues

David Mickenberg, Lobbyist, Vermont Association for
Justice

Stephen Monahan, Director Workers' Compensation
and Safety Division, Department of Labor

3:30 PM Covid 19 Response Committee Discussion

Hoarding - Possible Resolution

Erin Sigrist, President, Vermont Retail & Grocers
Association

Tuesday, March 31, 2020

Meeting Details

Hearing Type	Standard
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Meeting Record

9:30 AM COVID-19 Committee Discusssion

Governor's March 30 COVID 19 Executive Order

Josh Hanford, Commissioner, Department of Housing
and Community Development

9:50 AM COVID-19 Committee Discusssion

Landlord Tenant Eviction Issues

Betsy Bishop, President, Vermont Chamber of
Commerce

Hon. Brian Grearson, Chief Superior Judge, Office of
Chief Superior Judge

David Hall, Legislative Counsel, Office of Legislative
Counsel

Shawn Handy, Landlord, Burlington

Jean Murray, Attorney, Vermont Legal Aid

Angela Zaikowski , Director, Vermont Apartment
Owners Association, LLC

11:25 AM COVID-19 Committee Discusssion

Worker's Compensation Update

Betsy Bishop, President, Vermont Chamber of
Commerce

David Mickenberg, Lobbyist, Vermont Association for
Justice

Stephen Monahan, Director Workers' Compensation
and Safety Division, Department of Labor

11:35 AM

COVID-19 Committee Discussion

Department of Labor Update

Michael Harrington, Acting Commissioner, Department
of Labor

Damien Leonard, Legislative Counsel, Office of
Legislative Counsel

Thursday, April 2, 2020

Meeting Details

**Hearing
Type**

Standard

Meeting Record

9:45 AM

Covid 19 Response Committee Discussion

Update on Small Business relief options

Darcy Carter, District Director, Vermont District Office,
U.S.Small Business Administration

Joan Goldstein, Commissioner, Department of
Economic Development

Lindsay Kurrle, Secretary, Agency of Commerce and
Community Development

Linda Rossi, State Director, VT Small Business
Development Center

11:00 AM Update on Federal Relief Assistance for Self-Employed and Unemployment Insurance

Update on intent of certain CARES Act provisions; i.e., \$600 pandemic relief assistance

Damien Leonard, Legislative Counsel, Office of
Legislative Counsel

Friday, April 3, 2020

Meeting Details

Hearing Type	Standard
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Meeting Record

9:30 AM Covid-19 Response Committee Discussion

Landlord-Tenant Eviction Issues

Chris D'Elia, President, Vermont Bankers' Association

Brian Grearson, Chief Superior Judge, Vermont
Judiciary

David Hall, Legislative Counsel, Office of Legislative
Counsel

Josh Hanford, Commissioner, Department of Housing
and Community Development

Wendy Morgan, Staff Attorney, Vermont Legal Aid

Jean Murray, Attorney, Vermont Legal Aid

Monday, April 6, 2020

Meeting Details

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Meeting Record

9:30 AM	Covid 19 Response Committee Discussion
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*Eviction and Foreclosure Bill
Committee Discussion and Vote*

David Hall, Legislative Counsel, Office of Legislative
Counsel

Jean Murray, Attorney, Vermont Legal Aid

Angela Zaikowski , Director, Vermont Apartment
Owners Association, LLC

Tuesday, April 7, 2020

Meeting Details

Hearing Type	Standard
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Meeting Record

9:30 AM Covid 19 Response Committee Discussion

Workers Compensation Update

Damien Leonard, Legislative Counsel, Office of
Legislative Counsel

David Mickenberg, Lobbyist

Stephen Monahan, Director Workers' Compensation
and Safety Division, Department of Labor

10:00 AM Covid 19 Response Committee Discussion

Unemployment Insurance Update and Hero Pay

Michael Harrington, Acting Commissioner, Department
of Labor

Sen. Jane Kitchel

Stephen Klein, Chief Legislative Fiscal Officer, Joint
Fiscal Office

Damien Leonard, Legislative Counsel, Office of
Legislative Counsel

11:15 AM S.333 - An act relating to establishing a moratorium on ejectment and foreclosure actions during the COVID-19 emergency

Committee Vote

David Hall, Legislative Counsel, Office of Legislative
Counsel

11:20 AM Covid 19 Response Committee Discussion

Covid-19 Business Issues

Cassie Polhemus, Chief Executive Officer, Vermont
Economic Development Authority

Thursday, April 9, 2020

Meeting Details

Hearing Type	Standard
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Meeting Record

9:45 AM	Covid 19 Response Committee Discussion
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State and federal housing programs and assistance

Maura Collins, Executive Director, Vermont Housing
Finance Agency

David Hall, Legislative Counsel, Office of Legislative
Counsel

Josh Hanford, Commissioner, Department of Housing
and Community Development

Erhard Mahnke, Coordinator, Vermont Affordable
Housing Coalition

Kenneth Schatz, Commissioner, Department for
Children and Families

Richard Williams, Executive Director, Vermont State
Housing Authority

Tuesday, April 14, 2020

Meeting Details

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Meeting Record

9:45 AM Covid-19 Response Committee Discussion

State and federal housing programs and assistance

Chris Delia, President, Vermont Bankers' Association

Chris Donnelly, Director of Community Relations,
Champlain Housing Trust

Sandrine Kibuey, Director, VT Tenants & Mobile Home
Program/CVOEO

Jean Murray, Staff Attorney, Vermont Legal Aid

Beth Pearce, State Treasurer, Office of the State
Treasurer

Gus Seelig, Executive Director, Vermont Housing and
Conservation Board

Angela Zaikowski , Director, Vermont Apartment
Owners Association, LLC

Laura Zeligier, Community & Restorative Justice
Director, Department of Corrections

Wednesday, April 15, 2020

Meeting Details

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Meeting Record

9:45 AM	Covid-19 Response Committee Discussion
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Workers Compensation Issues

Kevin Gaffney, Deputy Commissioner, Department of
Financial Regulation, Insurance Division

John Hollar, Lobbyist, Vermont Insurance Agents
Association

Damien Leonard, Legislative Counsel, Office of
Legislative Counsel

David Mickenberg, Lobbyist, Vermont Association for
Justice

Stephen Monahan, Director Workers' Compensation
and Safety Division, Department of Labor

Friday, April 17, 2020

Meeting Details

Hearing Type	Standard
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Meeting Record

9:30 AM Covid 19 Response Committee Discussion

Workers Compensation Issues

Jamie Feehan, Lobbyist, American Property and
Casualty Association

John Hollar, Lobbyist, Vermont Insurance Agents
Association

Damien Leonard, Legislative Counsel, Office of
Legislative Counsel

David Mickenberg, Lobbyist, Vermont Association for
Justice

Stephen Monahan, Director Workers' Compensation
and Safety Division, Department of Labor

**10:00 AM Joint Committee Meeting with Senate Economic
Development, Housing and General Affairs**

Unemployment Insurance solutions discussion

Dirk Anderson, General Counsel, Department of Labor

Craig Bolio, Commissioner, VT Department of Taxes

Damien Leonard, Legislative Counsel, Office of
Legislative Counsel

10:30 AM Caucus

11:30 AM Covid 19 Response Committee Discussion

*Workers Compensation Issues: Continuation of 9:30 AM
listed witnesses and discussion*

3:00 PM

Covid 19 Response Committee Discussion

Unemployment Insurance and Claims Processing

Michael Harrington, Acting Commissioner, Department of Labor

Damien Leonard, Legislative Counsel, Office of Legislative Counsel

Cameron Wood, Director, Unemployment Insurance Division, Department of Labor

Tuesday, April 21, 2020

Meeting Details

**Hearing
Type**

Standard

Meeting Record

9:45 AM

Covid 19 Response Committee Discussion

Workers Compensation: Committee discussion and vote

Joe Damiata, Director of Risk Management Services,
Vermont League of Cities and Towns

Jamie Feehan, Lobbyist, American Property and
Casualty Association

John Hollar, Lobbyist, Vermont Insurance Agents
Association

Damien Leonard, Legislative Counsel, Office of
Legislative Counsel

David Mickenberg, Lobbyist, Vermont Association for Justice

Stephen Monahan, Director Workers' Compensation and Safety Division, Department of Labor

Tim Vincent, Multi-Line Program Manager, VSBIT

11:15 AM Covid 19 Response Committee Discussion

Hazard/Crisis Pay: Update

Sen. Cheryl Hooker

Damien Leonard, Legislative Counsel, Office of Legislative Counsel

Wednesday, April 22, 2020

Meeting Details

Hearing Type	Standard
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Meeting Record

12:15 PM Covid 19 Response Committee Discussion

Workers Compensation: Committee Discussion and Vote

Damien Leonard, Legislative Counsel, Office of Legislative Counsel

Stephen Monahan, Director Workers' Compensation and Safety Division, Department of Labor

1:00 PM

**S.333 - An act relating to establishing a moratorium on
ejectment and foreclosure actions during the COVID-19
emergency**

*Review proposed language in joint hearing with House
Committee on General, Housing and Military Affairs*

David Hall, Legislative Counsel, Office of Legislative
Counsel

- **Homeless Housing Transition**

*Consideration of transition as homeless hotel stays end
joint hearing with House Committee on General, Housing
and Military Affairs.*

Live- stream of hearing can be viewed by clicking [here](#)

Thursday, April 23, 2020

Meeting Details

Hearing Type	Standard
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Meeting Record

9:45 AM

Covid 19 Response Committee Discussion

Recovery Updates: efforts to date, current and long-term.

Ted Brady, Deputy Secretary, Agency of Commerce and
Community Development

Michael Harrington, Acting Commissioner, Department
of Labor

Jennifer Hollar, Director of Policy and Special Projects,
Vermont Housing and Conservation Board

Damien Leonard, Legislative Counsel, Office of
Legislative Counsel

Camerson Wood

10:00 AM Covid 19 Response Committee Discussion

Workers' Compensation Committee Bill: Vote

Damien Leonard, Legislative Counsel, Office of
Legislative Counsel

10:15 AM Covid 19 Response Committee Discussion

*Recovery Updates: Continuation of witnesses from 9:45
AM topic*

Monday, April 27, 2020

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10:30 AM	Senate Convenes
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Tuesday, April 28, 2020

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Meeting Record

10:00 AM	Covid 19 Response Committee Discussion
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Short- and long-term solutions to homelessness

Sarah Carpenter, Chair, Rental Housing Advisory Board

Angus Chaney, Executive Director, Homeless
Prevention Center, Rutland

Josh Davis, Executive Director, GroundWorks
Collaborative, Brattleboro

Josh Hanford, Commissioner, Department of Housing
and Community Development

Wednesday, April 29, 2020

Meeting Details

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Meeting Record

10:00 AM

No Committee Meeting Scheduled

Thursday, April 30, 2020

Meeting Details

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Meeting Record

10:00 AM

Covid 19 Response Committee Discussion

Short- and long-term solutions to homelessness

Erhard Mahnke, Coordinator, Vermont Affordable
Housing Coalition

Nancy Owens, President, Housing Vermont

Michael Redmond, Executive Director, Upper Valley
Haven

Hannah Rose, Executive Director, Samaritan House

Ken Schatz, Commissioner, Department for Children
and Families

Friday, May 1, 2020

Meeting Details

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10:00 AM	No Committee Meeting Scheduled
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10:30 AM	Senate Floor
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Monday, May 4, 2020

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Meeting Record

12:30 PM	S.333 - An act relating to establishing a moratorium on ejectment and foreclosure actions during the COVID-19 emergency
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Consideration of House Amendments

David Hall, Legislative Counsel, Office of Legislative
Counsel

Rep. Thomas Stevens

1:15 PM	General Committee Discussion
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Tuesday, May 5, 2020

Meeting Details

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Meeting Record

9:30 AM	Senate Floor
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10:00 AM	General Committee Discussion
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*Unemployment Insurance Dashboard; May 2020
Priorities*

Michael Harrington, Acting Commissioner, Department
of Labor

Brittney Wilson, Secretary of Civil and Military Affairs,
Office of Governor Phil Scott

11:00 AM	Covid 19 Response Committee Discussion
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Vermont Affordable Housing Immediate Covid-19 Needs

Chris Donnelly, Director of Community Relations,
Champlain Housing Trust

Hilary Melton, Executive Director, Pathways Vermont

Wednesday, May 6, 2020

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10:00 AM	No Committee Meeting Scheduled
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Thursday, May 7, 2020

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10:00 AM	Covid 19 Response Committee Discussion
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Latest guidelines on Federal Covid-19 relief packages

Chris Donnelly, Director of Community Relations,
Champlain Housing Trust

Stephen Klein, Chief Legislative Fiscal Officer, Joint
Fiscal Office

11:00 AM	Priorities Discussion
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Review and prioritization of pending committee legislation

Ellen Czajkowski, Legislative Counsel, Office of
Legislative Counsel

David Hall, Legislative Counsel, Office of Legislative
Counsel

Rebecca Wasserman, Legislative Counsel, Office of
Legislative Counsel

Friday, May 8, 2020

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10:00 AM	No Committee Meeting Scheduled
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Tuesday, May 12, 2020

Meeting Details

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Meeting Record

9:30 AM	Senate Floor
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Wednesday, May 13, 2020

Meeting Details

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Meeting Record

9:30 AM	Covid 19 Response Committee Discussion
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*Agency of Commerce and Community Development
(ACCD) update*

Ted Brady, Deputy Secretary, Agency of Commerce and
Community Development

Joan Goldstein, Commissioner, Department of
Economic Development

Josh Hanford, Commissioner, Department of Housing
and Community Development

Lindsay Kurrle, Secretary, Agency of Commerce and
Community Development

Thursday, May 14, 2020

Meeting Details

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Meeting Record

10:00 AM **No Committee Meeting Scheduled**

1:00 PM **Senate Floor**

Friday, May 15, 2020

Meeting Details

**Hearing
Type** Standard

Meeting Record

10:00 AM **Lessons Learned Task Force Discussion**

10:20 AM **Covid 19 Response Committee Discussion**

Pandemic Unemployment Assistance

Michael Harrington, Acting Commissioner, Department
of Labor

Cameron Wood, Director, Unemployment Insurance
Division, Department of Labor

10:30 AM **Covid 19 Response Committee Discussion**

*Covid-19 and Vermont Tourism, Hospitality, Restaurants,
etc.*

Jed Davis, Farmhouse Group

Austin Davis, Government Affairs Manager, Lake
Champlain Regional Chamber of Commerce

Joan Goldstein, Commissioner, Department of
Economic Development

Jeff Lawson, Vice-Pres. Tourism & Marketing, Hello
Vermont, Lake Champlain Regional Chamber of
Commerce

Molly Mahar, President, Vermont Ski Areas Association

Heather Pelham, Commissioner, Department of Tourism
and Marketing, Agency of Commerce and
Community Development

Amy Spear, VP of Tourism, Vermont Chamber of
Commerce

Tuesday, May 19, 2020

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Meeting Record

9:30 AM	Senate Floor
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10:00 AM	No Committee Meeting Scheduled
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Wednesday, May 20, 2020

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Meeting Record

9:30 AM	Covid 19 Response Committee Discussion
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Update on homelessness; transition to permanent housing; rental assistance

Sean Brown, Deputy Commissioner, Economic Services
Division, Department for Children and Families

Chris Donnelly, Director of Community Relations,
Champlain Housing Trust

David Hall, Legislative Counsel, Office of Legislative
Counsel

Jennifer Hollar, Director of Policy and Special Projects,
Vermont Housing and Conservation Board

Jean Murray, Staff Attorney, Vermont Legal Aid

Ken Schatz, Commissioner, Department for Children
and Families

Angela Zaikowski , Director, Vermont Apartment
Owners Association, LLC

1:00 PM	Senate Floor
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Thursday, May 21, 2020

Meeting Details

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Meeting Record

9:00 AM	Joint Committee Meeting with House Commerce and Economic Development
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Covid-19 response committee discussion regarding Administration's Recovery Plan
Live stream on House Commerce and Econ Dev Youtube here

Joan Goldstein, Commissioner, Department of Economic Development

David Hall, Legislative Counsel, Office of Legislative Counsel

10:00 AM	Covid 19 Response Committee Discussion
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Vermont Tourism;
Vermont Employment Growth Incentive Program ("VEGI")

Heather Pelham, Commissioner, Department of Tourism and Marketing, Agency of Commerce and Community Development

Megan Sullivan, Executive Director, Vermont Economic Progress Council

10:30 AM	Covid 19 Response Committee Discussion
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Administration's recovery plan and task force

Joan Goldstein, Commissioner, Department of
Economic Development

11:00 AM Covid 19 Response Committee Discussion

*Continuation of discussion regarding Vermont
Employment Growth Incentive Program ("VEGI")*

Megan Sullivan, Executive Director, Vermont Economic
Progress Council

11:15 AM Covid 19 Response Committee Discussion

Reports from Administration's Recovery Task Force Team

Thomas Lauzon

Mari McClure, CEO, Green Mountain Power

1:00 PM Senate Floor

Friday, May 22, 2020

Meeting Details

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Meeting Record

9:30 AM Covid 19 Response Committee Discussion

Vermont Rental Registry; Housing Code Enforcement

Sarah Carpenter, Chair, Rental Housing Advisory Board

Michael Desrochers, Executive Director of Fire
Management, Department of Public Safety

Wendy Morgan, Staff Attorney, Vermont Legal Aid

10:30 AM Covid 19 Response Committee Discussion

VEDA Grant Loan Program under Governor's Proposal

Joan Goldstein, Commissioner, Department of
Economic Development

David Hall, Legislative Counsel, Office of Legislative
Counsel

Cassie Polhemus, Chief Executive Officer, Vermont
Economic Development Authority

11:30 AM Senate Floor

Tuesday, May 26, 2020

Meeting Details

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Meeting Record

9:30 AM **Senate Floor**

11:00 AM **Covid 19 Response Committee Discussion**

Governor's Recovery Plan

11:30 AM **Covid 19 Response Committee Discussion**

The Future of Vermont Tourism

Perry Armstrong, Owner and President, Vermont Tent
and Events Industry

Wednesday, May 27, 2020

Meeting Details

**Hearing
Type** Standard

Meeting Record

9:30 AM **Covid 19 Response Committee Discussion**

Administration's Recovery Plan

Craig Bolio, Commissioner, VT Department of Taxes

Ted Brady, Deputy Secretary, Agency of Commerce and
Community Development

Douglas Farnham, Director of Policy and Tax
Department Economist, Department of Taxes

Joan Goldstein, Commissioner, Department of
Economic Development

David Hall, Legislative Counsel, Office of Legislative
Counsel

Josh Hanford, Commissioner, Department of Housing
and Community Development

Lindsay Kurrle, Secretary, Agency of Commerce and
Community Development

Heather Pelham, Commissioner, Department of Tourism
and Marketing, Agency of Commerce and
Community Development

Cassie Polhemus, Chief Executive Officer, Vermont
Economic Development Authority

1:00 PM Senate Floor

Thursday, May 28, 2020

Meeting Details

Hearing Type	Standard
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Meeting Record

9:30 AM	Covid 19 Response Committee Discussion
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Administration's Recovery Plan - Housing Proposal

Chris Donnelly, Director of Community Relations,
Champlain Housing Trust

Doug Farnham, Deputy Commissioner, Department of
Taxes

Josh Hanford, Commissioner, Department of Housing
and Community Development

Jennifer Hollar, Director of Policy and Special Projects,
Vermont Housing and Conservation Board

11:45 AM Housing Report regarding short-term rentals in Vermont

*Policy brief produced by students from Rockefeller Center
at Dartmouth College*

Laura Howard, Student

Blake McGill, Student

Namrata Ramakrishna, Student

Emery Rheam, Student

Ronald Shaiko, Senior Fellow and Associate Director,
Nelson A. Rockefeller Center, Dartmouth College

1:00 PM Senate Floor

Friday, May 29, 2020

Meeting Details

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Meeting Record

9:30 AM Covid 19 Response Committee Discussion

Administration's Recovery Package

Craig Bolio, Commissioner, VT Department of Taxes

Joan Goldstein, Commissioner, Department of
Economic Development

David Hall, Legislative Counsel, Office of Legislative
Counsel

Heather Pelham, Commissioner, Department of Tourism
and Marketing, Agency of Commerce and
Community Development

11:00 AM Covid 19 Response Committee Discussion

Pandemic Unemployment Assistance (PUA) program

Damien Leonard, Legislative Counsel, Office of
Legislative Counsel

Cameron Wood, Director, Unemployment Insurance
Division, Department of Labor

11:30 AM Senate Floor

Tuesday, June 2, 2020

Meeting Details

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Meeting Record

9:30 AM **Senate Floor**

The Committee Did Not Meet

Wednesday, June 3, 2020

Meeting Details

**Hearing
Type** Standard

Meeting Record

9:00 AM **Covid 19 Response Committee Discussion**

Unemployment Insurance Follow-Up

Cameron Wood, Director, Unemployment Insurance
Division, Department of Labor

9:15 AM **Covid 19 Response Committee Discussion**

Administration's Recovery Proposal

Cassie Polhemus, Chief Executive Officer, Vermont
Economic Development Authority

9:45 AM **Covid 19 Response Committee Discussion**

*Regional Development Corporations and Capstone
Community Action Program*

Frank Cioffi, President, Greater Burlington Industrial
Corporation

Jan Demers, Executive Director, Champlain Valley
Office of Economic Opportunity

Tyler Jokinen, Micro-business Counselor, Bennington-
Rutland Community Action

Fred Kenney, Executive Director, Addison County
Economic Development Corporation

Sue Minter, Executive Director, Capstone Community
Action

10:15 AM Covid 19 Response Committee Discussion

Construction Industry Impacts

Jim Bradley, President, Home Builders and Remodelers
Association

10:30 AM Covid 19 Response Committee Discussion

Administration's Recovery Proposal

Ted Brady, Deputy Secretary, Agency of Commerce and
Community Development

Joan Goldstein, Commissioner, Department of
Economic Development

11:00 AM Covid 19 Response Committee Discussion

Administration's Recovery Proposal

David Hall, Legislative Counsel, Office of Legislative
Counsel

11:45 AM **Committee Discussion and Review**

S.256: New Vermont Employee Incentive Program

1:00 PM **Senate Floor**

Thursday, June 4, 2020

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9:30 AM **To Be Determined**

9:45 AM **Covid 19 Response Committee Discussion**

Pandemic Unemployment Assistance: Penalty Weeks

Rep. Michael Marcotte

10:15 AM **Covid 19 Response Committee Discussion**

Administration's Recovery Proposal

Josh Hanford, Commissioner, Department of Housing
and Community Development

11:00 AM Covid 19 Response Committee Discussion

Administration's Recovery Proposal

David Hall, Legislative Counsel, Office of Legislative
Counsel

1:00 PM Senate Floor

Friday, June 5, 2020

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Meeting Record

9:00 AM Covid 19 Response Committee Discussion

Administration's Recovery Proposal

David Hall, Legislative Counsel, Office of Legislative
Counsel

11:30 AM Senate Floor

1:00 PM

Covid 19 Response Committee Discussion

Administration's Recovery Proposal

David Hall, Legislative Counsel, Office of Legislative Counsel

Monday, June 8, 2020

Meeting Details

**Hearing
Type**

Standard

Meeting Record

12:00 PM

Covid 19 Response Committee Discussion

Administration's Economic Recovery Plan

Joan Goldstein, Commissioner, Department of Economic Development

David Hall, Legislative Counsel, Office of Legislative Counsel

Jennifer Hollar, Director of Policy and Special Projects, Vermont Housing and Conservation Board

Rep. Michael Marcotte, House Committee on Commerce and Economic Development

Gus Seelig, Executive Director, Vermont Housing and Conservation Board

Rep. Thomas Stevens, House Committee on General, Housing & Military Affairs

2:00 PM **S.350 - An act relating to creating emergency economic recovery grants**

Committee Vote on Amendment

David Hall, Legislative Counsel, Office of Legislative Counsel

Tuesday, June 9, 2020

Meeting Details

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Meeting Record

9:30 AM **Senate Floor**

11:30 AM **S.350 - An act relating to creating emergency economic recovery grants**

Committee Discussion

Craig Bolio, Commissioner, VT Department of Taxes

11:45 AM **Covid-19 Response Committee Discussion**

Committee Discussion

Wednesday, June 10, 2020

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9:30 AM	Committee Discussion and Priorities
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10:30 AM	Covid 19 Response Committee Discussion
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Administration's Economic Recovery Plan

Sean Brown, Deputy Commissioner, Economic Services
Division, Department for Children and Families

11:15 AM	Covid 19 Response Committee Discussion
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*Administration's Economic Recovery Plan - Housing
Sections*

Rep. Thomas Stevens

11:30 AM	Covid 19 Response Committee Discussion
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Pandemic Unemployment Assistance and Penalty Weeks

Kelli Kazmarski, Staff Attorney, Vermont Legal Aid
Cameron Wood, Director, Unemployment Insurance
Division, Department of Labor

1:00 PM

Senate Floor

Thursday, June 11, 2020

Meeting Details

**Hearing
Type**

Standard

Meeting Record

9:30 AM

Covid 19 Response Committee Discussion

Payroll Protection Program - interface with new State programs

Joan Goldstein, Commissioner, Department of
Economic Development

Thomas Lauzon

10:30 AM

Covid 19 Response Committee Discussion

The new Payroll Protection Program and its impact on the hospitality industry

Jed Davis, Owner, The Farmhouse Group
Leo O'Reilly

1:00 PM

Senate Floor

Friday, June 12, 2020

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10:00 AM	Covid 19 Response Committee Discussion
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Vermont Housing Incentive Program

Josh Hanford, Commissioner, Department of Housing
and Community Development

10:30 AM	Covid 19 Response Committee Discussion
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Penalty Weeks

11:30 AM	Senate Floor
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Tuesday, June 16, 2020

Meeting Details

Hearing Type	Standard
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Meeting Record

9:30 AM Senate Floor

10:30 AM S.59 - An act relating to the creation of the Sports Betting Study Committee

Sen. Ruth Hardy

Damien Leonard, Legislative Counsel, Office of
Legislative Counsel

10:45 AM S.237 - An act relating to promoting affordable housing

Proposed Amendment relating to Housing Bill items: land use; planning; river corridors; and waste and water hookups

Sen. Christopher Bray, Senate Committee on Natural
Resources and Energy

Sen. Brian Campion, Senate Committee on Natural
Resources and Energy

Chris Cochran, Director of Community Planning &
Revitalization, Housing and Community
Development

Ellen Czajkowski, Legislative Counsel, Office of
Legislative Counsel

Peter Gregory, Executive Director, Two Rivers-
Ottawaquechee Regional Commission

Wednesday, June 17, 2020

Meeting Details

**Hearing
Type** Standard

Meeting Record

9:30 AM S.237 - An act relating to promoting affordable housing

Proposed Amendment relating to Housing Bill items

Ellen Czajkowski, Legislative Counsel, Office of
Legislative Counsel

Xusana Davis, Executive Director of Racial Equity,
Agency of Administration

Peter Walke, Commissioner, Department of
Environmental Conservation

10:45 AM Covid 19 Response Committee Discussion

CARES Act Funding-

Stephanie Barrett, Associate Fiscal Officer, Joint Fiscal
Office

11:15 AM Covid 19 Response Committee Discussion

Administration's Economic Recovery Plan

Heather Pelham, Commissioner, Department of Tourism
and Marketing, Agency of Commerce and
Community Development

1:00 PM Senate Floor

Thursday, June 18, 2020

Meeting Details

Hearing Type	Standard
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Meeting Record

9:30 AM	S.237 - An act relating to promoting affordable housing
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Chris Cochran, Director of Community Planning & Revitalization, Housing and Community Development

9:40 AM	H.966 - An act relating to COVID-19 funding and assistance for broadband connectivity, housing, and economic relief
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Housing Section

Maura Collins, Executive Director, Vermont Housing Finance Agency

David Hall, Legislative Counsel, Office of Legislative Counsel

Josh Hanford, Commissioner, Department of Housing and Community Development

Jennifer Hollar, Director of Policy and Special Projects, Vermont Housing and Conservation Board

Wendy Morgan, Staff Attorney, Vermont Legal Aid

Jean Murray, Staff Attorney, Vermont Legal Aid

Richard Williams, Executive Director, Vermont State Housing Authority

Angela Zaikowski , Director, Vermont Apartment
Owners Association, LLC

1:00 PM Senate Floor

Friday, June 19, 2020

Meeting Details

Hearing Type	Standard
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Meeting Record

9:30 AM S.237 - An act relating to promoting affordable housing

Proposed Amendments

Ellen Czajkowski, Legislative Counsel, Office of
Legislative Counsel

Sen. Dick McCormack

9:45 AM S.237 - An act relating to promoting affordable housing

Proposed Amendment

Chris Cochran, Director of Community Planning &
Revitalization, Housing and Community
Development

Sen. Andrew Perchlik

10:00 AM Covid 19 Response Committee Discussion

Administration's Economic Recovery Plan

David Bradbury, VCET President, Vermont Center for
Emerging Technologies

Joan Goldstein, Commissioner, Department of
Economic Development

11:30 AM Senate Floor

Monday, June 22, 2020

Meeting Details

Hearing Type	Standard
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Meeting Record

10:00 AM S.254 - An act relating to union organizing

Damien Leonard, Legislative Counsel, Office of
Legislative Counsel

Tim Noonan, Executive Director, Labor Relations Board
Heather Reimer, American Federation of Teachers

**11:00 AM H.966 - An act relating to COVID-19 funding and
assistance for broadband connectivity, housing, and
economic relief**

Committee discussion re: Economic Recovery Parts of bill

David Hall, Legislative Counsel, Office of Legislative
Counsel

Tuesday, June 23, 2020

Meeting Details

Hearing Type	Standard
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Meeting Record

9:30 AM	Senate Floor
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11:00 AM	Covid 19 Response Committee Discussion
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Wednesday, June 24, 2020

Meeting Details

Hearing Type	Standard
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Meeting Record

8:30 AM	
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H.966 - An act relating to COVID-19 funding and assistance for broadband connectivity, housing, and economic relief

Stephanie Barrett, Associate Fiscal Officer, Joint Fiscal Office

Joan Goldstein, Commissioner, Department of Economic Development

David Hall, Legislative Counsel, Office of Legislative Counsel

Josh Hanford, Commissioner, Department of Housing and Community Development

Rep. Michael Marcotte, House Committee on Commerce and Economic Development

Rep. Thomas Stevens, House Committee on General, Housing & Military Affairs

12:00 PM Senate Floor

4:00 PM Senate Floor

Thursday, June 25, 2020

Meeting Details

Hearing Type	Standard
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Meeting Record

9:30 AM H.966 - An act relating to COVID-19 funding and assistance for broadband connectivity, housing, and economic relief

Committee discussion re bill language

Joan Goldstein, Commissioner, Department of
Economic Development

David Hall, Legislative Counsel, Office of Legislative
Counsel

Heather Pelham, Commissioner, Department of Tourism
and Marketing, Agency of Commerce and
Community Development

11:00 AM H.956 - An act relating to miscellaneous amendments to alcoholic beverage laws

Tucker Anderson, Legislative Counsel, Office of
Legislative Counsel

Patrick Delaney, Commissioner, Department of Liquor
and Lottery

Gary Kessler, Deputy Commissioner, Department of
Liquor and Lottery

12:00 PM Senate Floor

4:00 PM Senate Floor

Friday, June 26, 2020

Meeting Details

Hearing Type	Standard
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Meeting Record

8:00 AM	Senate Floor
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9:00 AM	H.966 - An act relating to COVID-19 funding and assistance for broadband connectivity, housing, and economic relief
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David Hall, Legislative Counsel, Office of Legislative Counsel

11:00 AM	H.956 - An act relating to miscellaneous amendments to alcoholic beverage laws
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Tucker Anderson, Legislative Counsel, Office of Legislative Counsel

Patrick Delaney, Commissioner, Department of Liquor and Lottery

Gary Kessler, Deputy Commissioner, Department of Liquor and Lottery

12:00 AM	Senate Floor
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4:00 PM	Senate Floor
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S.342 - An act relating to temporary workers' compensation amendments related to COVID-19

House Proposal of Amendment

Damien Leonard, Legislative Counsel, Office of
Legislative Counsel

6:00 PM Senate Floor

Tuesday, August 25, 2020

Meeting Details

**Hearing
Type** Standard

Meeting Record

10:00 AM Senate Floor

10:30 AM Committee Discussion

Session Priorities

David Hall, Legislative Counsel, Office of Legislative
Counsel

Damien Leonard, Legislative Counsel, Office of
Legislative Counsel

11:30 AM Governor's Recommended Restatement of the FY21 State Budget

Agency of Commerce and Community Development

Ted Brady, Deputy Secretary, Agency of Commerce and Community Development

12:00 PM Adjourn

Wednesday, August 26, 2020

Meeting Details

Hearing Type Standard

Meeting Record

9:00 AM Governor's Recommended Restatement of the FY21 State Budget

Department of Economic Development, Department of Tourism and Marketing, Department of Housing and Community Development

Ted Brady, Deputy Secretary, Agency of Commerce and Community Development

Chris Cochran, Director of Community Planning & Revitalization, Housing and Community Development

Joan Goldstein, Commissioner, Department of
Economic Development

Josh Hanford, Commissioner, Department of Housing
and Community Development

Lindsay Kurrle, Secretary, Agency of Commerce and
Community Development

Heather Pelham, Commissioner, Department of Tourism
and Marketing, Agency of Commerce and
Community Development

11:15 AM Vermont Housing Finance Agency

New Foreclosure Program

Maura Collins, Executive Director, Vermont Housing
Finance Agency

11:30 AM Committee Discussion

12:00 PM Adjourn

1:00 PM Senate Floor

Thursday, August 27, 2020

Meeting Details

**Hearing
Type** Standard

Meeting Record

9:00 AM **Department of Labor**

Back Rent Program

Richard Williams, Executive Director, Vermont State
Housing Authority

10:00 AM **Housing**

CRF spending update

Wendy Morgan, Staff Attorney, Vermont Legal Aid
Gus Seelig, Executive Director, Vermont Housing and
Conservation Board
Angela Zaikowski , Director, Vermont Apartment
Owners Association, LLC

11:15 AM **S.254 - An act relating to union organizing**

Damien Leonard, Legislative Counsel

12:00 PM **Adjourn**

1:00 PM **Senate Floor**

Friday, August 28, 2020

Meeting Details

**Hearing
Type** Standard

Meeting Record

9:00 AM **Committee Discussion**

9:15 AM **Governor's Recommended Restatement of the FY21
State Budget**

Department of Labor

Michael Harrington, Commissioner, Department of
Labor

10:00 AM **S.254 - An act relating to union organizing**

Committee Discussion and Potential Vote

Damien Leonard, Legislative Counsel, Office of
Legislative Counsel

Tim Noonan, Executive Director, Labor Relations Board

Heather Riemer, Director, American Federation of
Teachers VT

11:35 AM **Housing**

Rehousing Recovery Program

Josh Hanford, Commissioner, Department of Housing
and Community Development

Tuesday, September 1, 2020

Meeting Details

Hearing Type	Standard
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Meeting Record

9:30 AM	Senate Floor
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After Senate Floor	Coronavirus Relief Funds <i>Tax Incremental Funding, Relocated and Remote Workers</i> Joan Goldstein, Commissioner, Department of Economic Development Megan Sullivan, Executive Director, Vermont Economic Progress Council
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11:30 AM	S.254 - An act relating to union organizing <i>Amendment Discussion, Potential Vote</i>
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12:00 PM	Adjourn
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Wednesday, September 2, 2020

Meeting Details

**Hearing
Type** Standard

Meeting Record

9:00 AM H.99 - An act relating to trade in covered animal parts or products

Walk-through

Duane Merrill, Auctioneer and Appraiser, Duane Merrill
& Co, Auctioneers and Appraisers

Michael O'Grady, Deputy Chief Counsel, Legislative
Council

Rep. Amy Sheldon, Chair, House Committee on Natural
Resources, Fish and Wildlife

10:00 AM H.739 - An act relating to improving rental housing health and safety

Introduction, Walk-Through, Discussion

Sarah Carpenter, Chair, Rental Housing Advisory Board

David Hall, Legislative Counsel, Office of Legislative
Council

Damien Leonard, Legislative Counsel

Rep. Tommy Walz, Sponsor

11:15 AM Department of Liquor and Lottery

Liquor, Lottery, and Gambling Issues

Patrick Delaney, Commissioner, Department of Liquor
and Lottery

Gary Kessler, Deputy Commissioner, Department of
Liquor and Lottery

12:00 PM Adjourn

1:00 PM Senate Floor

Thursday, September 3, 2020

Meeting Details

**Hearing
Type** Standard

Meeting Record

9:00 AM Coronavirus Relief Funds

Non-profits, Arts, and Women Owned Businesses

Cary Brown, Executive Director, Vermont Commission
on Women

Karen Mittelman, Executive Director, Vermont Arts
Council

Morgan Webster, Executive Director, Common Good VT

9:45 AM

Governor's Recommended Restatement of the FY21 State Budget

COVID Economic Recovery Package, Unemployment Insurance, Hazard Pay

Ted Brady, Deputy Secretary, Agency of Commerce and Community Development

Chris Cochran, Director of Community Planning & Revitalization, Housing and Community Development

Joan Goldstein, Commissioner, Department of Economic Development

Josh Hanford, Commissioner, Department of Housing and Community Development

Gary Holloway, Downtown Program Manager, Agency of Commerce and Community Development

Wendy Mays, Executive Director, Vermont Association of Broadcasters

12:00 PM Adjourn

1:00 PM Senate Floor

Friday, September 4, 2020

Meeting Details

**Hearing
Type** Standard

Meeting Record

9:00 AM Hazard Pay for Essential Workers

Damien Leonard, Legislative Counsel

9:20 AM Housing

COVID Housing Package

Maura Collins, Executive Director, Vermont Housing
Finance Agency

Josh Hanford, Commissioner, Department of Housing
and Community Development

Richard Williams, Executive Director, Vermont State
Housing Authority

10:30 AM Homelessness

COVID Homelessness Efforts

Sean Brown, Commissioner, Department for Children
and Families

Sarah Phillips, Director, Vermont Office of Economic
Opportunity

11:30 AM Adjourn

Tuesday, September 8, 2020

Meeting Details

Hearing Type	Standard
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Meeting Record

9:00 AM	Senate Floor
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10:15 AM	H.99 - An act relating to trade in covered animal parts or products
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Mike Covey, Executive Director, Vermont Traditions Coalition

Gary Germer, Owner, Gary Germer & Associates

Michael O'Grady, Deputy Chief Counsel, Office of Legislative Counsel

Louis Porter, Commissioner, Department of Fish and Wildlife

Ashley Prout McAvey, Master of Environment Management, Vermont for Wildlife

12:00 PM	Adjourn
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Wednesday, September 9, 2020

Meeting Details

Hearing Type	Standard
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Meeting Record

9:00 AM Governor's Recommended Restatement of the FY21 State Budget

Economic Recovery Priorities

Ted Brady, Deputy Secretary, Agency of Commerce and Community Development

Joan Goldstein, Commissioner, Department of Economic Development

Gary Holloway, Downtown Program Manager, Agency of Commerce and Community Development

Stephen Klein, Chief Legislative Fiscal Officer, Joint Fiscal Office

Heather Pelham, Commissioner, Department of Tourism and Marketing, Agency of Commerce and Community Development

11:00 AM Coronavirus Relief Funds

Requests to House Appropriations

Rep. Charles Kimbell, House Committee on Commerce and Economic Development

11:30 AM Governor's Recommended Restatement of the FY21 State Budget

Unemployment Insurance

Michael Harrington, Commissioner, Department of Labor

Damien Leonard, Legislative Counsel

Cameron Wood, Director, Unemployment Insurance
Division, Department of Labor

12:00 PM Adjourn

1:00 PM Senate Floor

Thursday, September 10, 2020

Meeting Details

**Hearing
Type** Standard

Meeting Record

9:00 AM Workers Compensation

Act 150 Update

Jeff Fannon, Executive Director, Vermont National
Education Association

Kevin Gaffney, Deputy Commissioner, Department of
Financial Regulation, Insurance Division

Stephen Monahan, Director Workers' Compensation
and Safety Division, Department of Labor

Jill Rickard, Director of Policy, Department of Financial
Regulation

10:00 AM S.237 - An act relating to promoting affordable housing

H. 739 - an act relating to improving rental housing health and safety, Potential Merger

Chris Cochran, Director of Community Planning &
Revitalization, Housing and Community
Development

Josh Hanford, Commissioner, Department of Housing
and Community Development

Erhard Mahnke, Coordinator, Vermont Affordable
Housing Coalition

Kate Mcarthy, Sustainable Communities Program
Director, Vermont Natural Resources Council

Rep. Thomas Stevens, House Committee on General,
Housing & Military Affairs

11:45 AM H.99 - An act relating to trade in covered animal parts or products

Committee Discussion and Straw Poll

11:50 AM Committee Discussion

Liquor and Lottery

Gary Kessler, Deputy Commissioner, Department of
Liquor and Lottery

12:00 PM Adjourn

1:00 PM Senate Floor

Friday, September 11, 2020

Meeting Details

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Meeting Record

9:00 AM	Workers Compensation
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Act 150 Update

James Fannon, Executive Director, Vermont National
Education Association

9:30 AM	Coronavirus Relief Funds
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Outdoor Rec Grants Update

Joan Goldstein, Commissioner, Department of
Economic Development

Sam Lincoln, Deputy Commissioner, Department of
Forests, Parks and Recreation

Michael Snyder, Commissioner, Department of Forests,
Parks and Recreation

Rebecca Washburn, Director, Lands and Administration,
Division Recreation, Department of Forests, Parks
and Recreation

10:00 AM

Governor's Recommended Restatement of the FY21 State Budget

Recommendations to Senate Appropriations

Ted Brady, Deputy Secretary, Agency of Commerce and
Community Development

Joan Goldstein, Commissioner, Department of
Economic Development

David Hall, Legislative Counsel, Office of Legislative
Council

Stephen Klein, Chief Legislative Fiscal Officer, Joint
Fiscal Office

11:00 AM Workers Compensation

Act 150 Update

Stephen Monahan, Director Workers' Compensation
and Safety Division, Department of Labor

11:30 AM Adjourn

Monday, September 14, 2020

Meeting Details

Hearing Type	Standard
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Meeting Record

3:00 PM

**Governor's Recommended Restatement of the FY21
State Budget**

ACCD and Housing Funding

Ted Brady, Deputy Secretary, Agency of Commerce and
Community Development

David Hall, Legislative Counsel, Office of Legislative
Council

Gary Holloway, Downtown Program Manager, Agency
of Commerce and Community Development

Stephen Klein, Chief Legislative Fiscal Officer, Joint
Fiscal Office

Damien Leonard, Legislative Counsel, Office of
Legislative Counsel

Heather Pelham, Commissioner, Department of Tourism
and Marketing, Agency of Commerce and
Community Development

5:00 PM

Adjourn

Tuesday, September 15, 2020

Meeting Details

**Hearing
Type**

Standard

Meeting Record

8:45 AM Governor's Recommended Restatement of the FY21 State Budget

Economic Recovery Priorities

Joan Goldstein, Commissioner, Department of
Economic Development

Heather Pelham, Commissioner, Department of Tourism
and Marketing, Agency of Commerce and
Community Development

9:30 AM Senate Floor

**After Governor's Recommended Restatement of the FY21
Senate State Budget
Floor**

Economic Recovery Priorities

Ted Brady, Deputy Secretary, Agency of Commerce and
Community Development

Joan Goldstein, Commissioner, Department of
Economic Development

David Hall, Legislative Counsel, Office of Legislative
Council

Heather Pelham, Commissioner, Department of Tourism
and Marketing, Agency of Commerce and
Community Development

12:00 PM Adjourn

Wednesday, September 16, 2020

Meeting Details

Hearing Type	Standard
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Meeting Record

10:30 AM	S.237 - An act relating to promoting affordable housing
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Rep. Thomas Stevens, House Committee on General,
Housing & Military Affairs

11:15 AM	Department of Labor
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Unemployment Insurance Rate Schedule Changes

Michael Harrington, Commissioner, Department of
Labor

Cameron Wood, Director, Unemployment Insurance
Division, Department of Labor

12:00 PM	Adjourn
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1:00 PM	Senate Floor
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Thursday, September 17, 2020

Meeting Details

**Hearing
Type** Standard

Meeting Record

10:30 AM S.237 - An act relating to promoting affordable housing

Walk-through

Ellen Czajkowski, Legislative Counsel, Office of
Legislative Counsel

**11:00 AM H.99 - An act relating to trade in covered animal parts or
products**

Brock Amendment

Michael O'Grady, Deputy Chief Counsel, Office of
Legislative Counsel

11:30 AM Liquor and Lottery

Updates

Gary Kessler, Deputy Commissioner, Department of
Liquor and Lottery

12:00 PM Adjourn

1:00 PM Senate Floor

Friday, September 18, 2020

Meeting Details

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Meeting Record

10:00 AM	H.99 - An act relating to trade in covered animal parts or products
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Brock Amendment Discussion

10:45 AM	Department of Labor
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Unemployment Rate Relief

Mat Barewicz, Economic & Labor Market Information
Chief, Department of Labor

Cameron Wood, Director, Unemployment Insurance
Division, Department of Labor

11:30 PM	Adjourn
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Monday, September 21, 2020

Meeting Details

Hearing Type	Standard
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Meeting Record

2:45 PM **H.99 - An act relating to trade in covered animal parts or products**

Brock Amendment

Michael O'Grady, Deputy Chief Counsel, Office of
Legislative Counsel

3:30 PM **S.353 - An act relating to expanding the Front-Line Employees Hazard Pay Grant Program**

Damien Leonard, Legislative Counsel, Office of
Legislative Counsel

Michael Pieciak, Commissioner, Department of Financial
Regulation

Tuesday, September 22, 2020

Meeting Details

**Hearing
Type** Standard

Meeting Record

8:30 AM **H.99 - An act relating to trade in covered animal parts or products**

Brock Amendment

Michael O'Grady, Deputy Chief Counsel, Office of
Legislative Counsel

9:30 AM Senate Floor

**11:30 AM S.353 - An act relating to expanding the Front-Line
Employees Hazard Pay Grant Program**

Mat Barewicz, Economic & Labor Market Information
Chief, Department of Labor

Damien Leonard, Legislative Counsel, Office of
Legislative Counsel

Cameron Wood, Director, Unemployment Insurance
Division, Department of Labor

12:30 PM Adjourn

**3:30 PM H.99 - An act relating to trade in covered animal parts or
products**

Brock Amendment Vote and Bill Vote

Michael O'Grady, Deputy Chief Counsel, Office of
Legislative Counsel

**3:45 PM S.353 - An act relating to expanding the Front-Line
Employees Hazard Pay Grant Program**

Mat Barewicz, Economic & Labor Market Information
Chief, Department of Labor

Damien Leonard, Legislative Counsel, Office of
Legislative Counsel

Cameron Wood, Director, Unemployment Insurance
Division, Department of Labor

5:00 PM Adjourn

Wednesday, September 23, 2020

Meeting Details

**Hearing
Type** Standard

Meeting Record

**9:00 AM S.353 - An act relating to expanding the Front-Line
Employees Hazard Pay Grant Program**

Mat Barewicz, Economic & Labor Market Information
Chief, Department of Labor

Damien Leonard, Legislative Counsel, Office of
Legislative Counsel

Cameron Wood, Director, Unemployment Insurance
Division, Department of Labor

11:30 AM S.237 - An act relating to promoting affordable housing

Ellen Czajkowski, Legislative Counsel, Office of
Legislative Counsel

12:00 PM Adjourn

1:00 PM Senate Floor

Thursday, September 24, 2020

Meeting Details

**Hearing
Type** Standard

Meeting Record

**11:00 AM S.353 - An act relating to expanding the Front-Line
Employees Hazard Pay Grant Program**

Mat Barewicz, Economic & Labor Market Information
Chief, Department of Labor

Damien Leonard, Legislative Counsel, Office of
Legislative Counsel

Cameron Wood, Director, Unemployment Insurance
Division, Department of Labor

12:00 AM Adjourn

1:00 PM Senate Floor

Friday, September 25, 2020

Meeting Details

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Meeting Record

11:30 AM	Senate Floor
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