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**Vermont Secretary of State, Legislative Leaders and Business Community to
Hold Press Conference on One-Stop Business Portal**

Montpelier, VT – On Thursday, September 27th at 10am a press conference will be held at Stonecutter Spirits Highball Social, located at 71 South Union Street in Burlington, regarding Act 196 (S.85) passed in the 2018 Legislative session.

Act 196 seeks to enhance the Secretary of State's one-stop business portal by establishing a steering committee chaired by the Secretary of State, and including the Secretaries of the Agency of Commerce and Community Development and the Agency of Digital Services. Act 196 assigns a project manager to assist the Steering Committee in reviewing and considering the necessary steps to enhance the one-stop business portal for businesses, entrepreneurs, and citizens to provide information about starting, maintaining and expanding a business in Vermont, with a focus on small businesses.

Speakers will include:

- Secretary of State Jim Condos
- Senator Chris Pearson, S.85 Co-sponsor
- Senator Michael Sirotkin, Chair of the Senate Committee on Economic Development, Housing and General Affairs
- Sivan Cotel, Co-Founder of Stonecutter Spirits
- Ashley Moore, State Director of The Main Street Alliance
- Cathy Davis, Executive Vice President of the Lake Champlain Regional Chamber of Commerce

Members of the public are invited and encouraged to attend.

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