

**2019-2020 Session**

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# House Committee on Commerce and Economic Development

**(Room 35)**

The House Committee on Commerce and Economic Development considers matters relating to business organizations, including banking, insurance, corporations, workforce development, unemployment and workers' compensation insurance, and the industrial and internal development of the state, but excluding matters relating to transportation, utilities, telecommunications, and energy.

## Previous Meetings - Full Report

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### Wednesday, January 9, 2019

#### Meeting Details

<b>Hearing Type</b>	Standard
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#### Meeting Record

<b>10:00 AM</b>	<b>House Convenes</b>
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<b>10 min. after Floor</b>	<b>Committee Discussion</b> <i>Introductions</i>
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<b>1:30 PM</b>	<b>House Floor</b>
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## **Thursday, January 10, 2019**

### **Meeting Details**

<b>Hearing Type</b>	Standard
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### **Meeting Record**

<b>9:30 AM</b>	<b>House Floor</b>
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<b>10:00 AM</b>	<b>Joint Assembly</b> <i>Results from Canvassing Committee</i>
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<b>11:00 AM</b>	<b>Sexual Harassment Prevention Training</b> <i>House Floor immediately following Joint Assembly</i>
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<b>1:30 PM</b>	<b>Joint Assembly</b> <i>Governor's Inaugural Address</i>
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## **Friday, January 11, 2019**

### **Meeting Details**

<b>Hearing Type</b>	Standard
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### **Meeting Record**

**9:30 AM**      **House Floor**

**10:00 AM**      **Security Training**

*Immediately following adjournment of the Floor*

**12:00 PM**      **Lunch**

**1:00 PM**      **Legislative Council**

*Introductions*

David Hall, Legislative Counsel, Office of Legislative Counsel

Damien Leonard, Legislative Counsel, Office of Legislative Counsel

Maria Royle, Legislative Counsel, Office of Legislative Counsel

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## Tuesday, January 15, 2019

### Meeting Details

<b>Hearing Type</b>	Standard
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### Meeting Record

**9:00 AM**      **Auditor's Report**

*Economic Development Review*

Doug Hoffer, State Auditor, State Auditor's Office

**10:00 AM**      **House Floor and Caucuses**

**12:00 PM**      **Lunch**

**1:00 PM      Department of Financial Regulation**

*Introductions, Affiliated Reinsurance Company (ARC) and MAPFRE*

Ian Davis, Director of Financial Services, Agency of Commerce and  
Community Development

Molly Dillon, Deputy Commissioner, Banking, Department of  
Financial Regulation

Michael Pieciak, Commissioner, Department of Financial  
Regulation

David Provost, Deputy Commissioner, Captive Insurance Division,  
Department of Financial Regulation

Richard Smith, Executive Director, Vermont Captive Insurance  
Association

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## **Wednesday, January 16, 2019**

### **Meeting Details**

<b>Hearing Type</b>	Standard
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### **Meeting Record**

**9:00 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

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

Josh Hanford, Deputy Commissioner, 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

**12:00 PM      Lunch**

**1:00 PM      House Floor**

**10 min. after  
Floor      Agency of Education**

Oscar Aliaga, Career Pathways Coordinator, Agency of Education

Heather Bouchey, Deputy Secretary, Agency of Education

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

**3:00 PM      Education and Workforce Development**

Tom Cheney, Director, Advance Vermont

**4:00 PM      -**

*Vermont Bar Association Reception in the Cedar Creek Room*

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## Thursday, January 17, 2019

### Meeting Details

**Hearing  
Type**      Standard

### Meeting Record

**9:00 AM Vermont Economic Progress Council**

Megan Sullivan, Executive Director, Vermont Economic Progress Council

**10:20 AM Department of Labor**

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

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

Lindsay Kurrle, Commissioner, Department of Labor

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

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

**12:00 PM Lunch**

**1:00 PM House Floor**

*Decorum training immediately following Floor*

**10 min. after  
Floor Secretary of State's Office**

Marlene Betit, Director of Administrative Services, Secretary of  
State's Office

James Condos, Secretary of State

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

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**Friday, January 18, 2019**

**Meeting Details**

<b>Hearing Type</b>	Standard
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#### Meeting Record

<b>9:00 AM</b>	<b>Committee Discussion</b>
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*Committee member liaison updates*

<b>9:30 AM</b>	<b>House Floor</b>
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<b>10 min. after Floor</b>	<b>State Treasurer's Office</b>
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Ashlynn Doyon, Executive Assistant and Policy Analyst, Office of  
the State Treasurer

Beth Pearce, State Treasurer, Office of the State Treasurer

<b>12:00 PM</b>	<b>Lunch</b>
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<b>1:00 PM</b>	<b>Agency of Agriculture and Agency of Natural Resources Lab</b>
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Lynn Ellen Schimoler, Program Manager, Working Lands Enterprise  
Initiative

Anson Tebbetts, Secretary, Agency of Agriculture, Food and  
Markets

Abbey Willard, Director, Agricultural Development Division, Agency  
of Agriculture, Food and Markets

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## Tuesday, January 22, 2019

#### Meeting Details

<b>Hearing Type</b>	Standard
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## Meeting Record

### **9:00 AM      Department of Fish and Wildlife**

Steve Gomez, Business Manager, Department of Fish and Wildlife  
Louis Porter, Commissioner, Department of Fish and Wildlife

### **10:00 AM      FLOOR and Caucuses**

### **12:00 PM      Lunch**

### **1:00 PM      Captive Insurance 101**

*Presentation featuring Deputy Commissioner David Provost in Room 10*

Sandy Bigglestone, Deputy Commissioner, Securities, Department of Financial Regulation

Ian Davis, Director of Financial Services, Agency of Commerce and Community Development

David Provost, Deputy Commissioner, Captive Insurance Division, Department of Financial Regulation

### **2:15 PM      Attorney General's Office**

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

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

Lauren Jandl, Small Business Advocate, Attorney General's Consumer Assistance Program

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## **Wednesday, January 23, 2019**

**Meeting Details**



**Hearing  
Type** Standard

**Meeting Record**

**9:00 AM Act 108 Report**

Michele Boomhower, Director, Policy, Planning & Intermodal Dev.  
Div., Agency of Transportation

Dan Delabruere, Rail and Aviation, Director, Agency of  
Transportation

Daniel Dutcher, Environmental Policy Manager, Agency of  
Transportation

Michael Schirling, Secretary, Agency of Commerce and Community  
Development

**10:00 AM Vermont Sustainable Jobs Fund**

Ellen Kahler, Executive Director, Vermont Sustainable Jobs Fund

Mary Niebling, Community Economic Development Director,  
Capstone Community Action

**11:00 AM Vermont Chamber of Commerce**

Betsy Bishop, President, Vermont Chamber of Commerce

Chris Carrigan, Vice President of Business Development, Vermont  
Chamber of Commerce

**12:00 PM Lunch**

**1:00 PM FLOOR**

**10 min. after Economic Development**

**Floor**

Michele Kupersmith, Former Legislative Committee Member

**3:00 PM**      **Vermont Captive Insurance Association**

Heather McLure, Chief Risk Officer, OU Medicine, Academic  
Physicians Insurance Company

Richard Smith, President, Vermont Captive Insurance Association

**3:30 PM**      **Economic Development**

Maura Collins, Executive Director, Vermont Housing Finance  
Agency

**4:30 PM**      **Adjourn**

*Vermont Captive Insurance Association Reception in the Cedar  
Creek Room*

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## Thursday, January 24, 2019

### Meeting Details

<b>Hearing Type</b>	Standard
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### Meeting Record

**9:00 AM**      **Southern Vermont Economic Development Zone**

Bill Colvin, Acting Director, Bennington County Industrial  
Corporation

Adam Grinold, Executive Director, Brattleboro Development Credit  
Corporation

Rep. Laura Sibilia, House Committee on Energy and Technology

**10:00 AM**      **Economic Development**

Matt Dunne, Executive Director, Center on Rural Innovation

Bob Flint, Chair, Springfield Regional Development Corporation

<b>11:00 AM</b>	<b>Economic Development</b>  Robin Morris, President, Mad River Food Hub
<b>12:00 PM</b>	<b>Lunch</b>
<b>1:00 PM</b>	<b>FLOOR</b>
<b>2:00 PM</b>	<b>Governor's FY2020 Budget Address</b>  <i>Joint Assembly - House Chamber</i>

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## Friday, January 25, 2019

### Meeting Details

<b>Hearing Type</b>	Standard
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### Meeting Record

<b>9:00 AM</b>	<b>Committee Discussion</b>  <i>Committee member liaison update</i>
<b>9:30 AM</b>	<b>FLOOR</b>
<b>10 min. after Floor</b>	<b>Economic Development</b>  Steve Geller, Southeastern Vermont Community Action (SEVCA) Debbie Jensen, President, Vermont Association of Realtors, KW Vermont

Karen Lafayette, Lobbyist, Vermont Low Income Advocacy Council  
Kate Larose, Director of Financial Futures, Champlain Valley Office  
of Economic Opportunity  
Sue Minter, Executive Director, Capstone Community Action

**12:00 PM**      **Lunch**

**1:00 PM**      **Hemp Collaborative**

*Joint Hearing with House Agriculture and Forestry Committee  
Room 11*

Dave Barash, CEO, Luce Farm  
Brenden Beer, Owner, Kitchen Cabinet Medicinals  
Dan Chang, Owner, Kria Botanicals  
Carl Christianson, Owner, Northeast Processing  
Bill Lofy, Owner, Kria Botanicals  
Joe Pimentel, Owner, Luce Farm

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## Tuesday, January 29, 2019

### Meeting Details

**Hearing  
Type**      Standard

### Meeting Record

**9:00 AM**      **Department of Forests, Parks and Recreation**

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

**10:00 AM**      **House Floor**

- **Governor's Proposed Budget Adjustment**

*Caucus of the Whole-House Floor*

**10 min. after  
Caucus**

**Vermont Mortgage Bankers Association**

*Overview*

Abbie Jefferis, New England Federal Credit Union

Steve Kendall, Union Bank

Rachel McLeod, New England Federal Credit Union

Henry Rackliff, Homebridge

Cindy Reichard, New England Federal Credit Union

Chris Rice, Lobbyist, Vermont Mortgage Bankers Association

Jeff Teplitz, Vice President, Vermont Mortgage Bankers  
Association

Pat Weaver, New England Federal Credit Union

Joshua Wolfe, Executive Director, Vermont Mortgage Bankers  
Association

**12:00 PM**

**Lunch**

**1:00 PM**

**Economic Development**

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

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

Heather Pelham, Chief Marketing Officer, Agency of Commerce  
and Community Development

Michael Schirling, Secretary, Agency of Commerce and Community  
Development

Megan Sullivan, Executive Director, Vermont Economic Progress  
Council

**3:00 PM      H.1 - An act relating to agreements not to compete**

*Introduction and walk-through*

Richard Cassidy, Attorney, Rich Cassidy Law

Alan Kinney, Kinney Insurance Agency

Rep. Martin LaLonde, Sponsor

Damien Leonard, Legislative Counsel, Office of Legislative Counsel

Mindy Sommers, Citizen

Gordon E. Troy, Attorney, Gordon E.R. Troy, PC

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## **Wednesday, January 30, 2019**

### **Meeting Details**

<b>Hearing Type</b>	Standard
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### **Meeting Record**

**9:00 AM      Workforce Development**

Scott Giles, President, Vermont Student Assistance Corporation

Joyce Judy, President, Community College of Vermont

Tiffany Keune, Associate Dean of Workforce Education,  
Community College of Vermont

Pat Moulton , President, Vermont Technical College

**11:00 AM      Benchmark Study**

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

Ken Jones, Economic Research Analyst, Agency of Commerce and  
Community Development

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

**12:00 PM**      **Lunch**

**1:00 PM**      **House Floor**

*Presentation of Budget Adjustment Act*

**10 min. after  
Floor**

**Economic Development**

Daniel Barlow, Public Policy Manager, Vermont Businesses for Social Responsibility

Jane Campbell, Executive Director, Vermont Businesses for Social Responsibility

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## Thursday, January 31, 2019

### Meeting Details

**Hearing  
Type**      Standard

### Meeting Record

**9:00 AM**      **Northeast Kingdom Collaborative**

Jody Fried, Executive Director, Catamount Arts Council

Jon Jewett, Special Project Manager, Hardwick Yellow Barn  
Business Accelerator, Center for an Agricultural Economy

David Laforce, Co-owner, Built by Newport

Abigail Long, Executive Director, Kingdom Trails Association

Katherine Sims, Director, Northeast Kingdom Collaborative

Patrick Sotums, Northeast Kingdom Young Professionals

Michael Strait, Chair, Brighton Select Board

**10:00 AM      Economic Development**

*Introduction and updates*

David Snedeker, Executive Director, Northeastern Vermont  
Development Association

James Stewart, Executive Director, Central Vermont Economic  
Development Corporation

**11:00 AM      City of Newport**

*Overview and update*

Jessica Booth, Director of Parks and Recreation, City of Newport

Laura Dolgin, City Manager, City of Newport

Paul L. Monette, Mayor, City of Newport

Mike Welch, Senior Project Manager, Northern Communities  
Investment Corporation

Tracy Zschau, Conservation Director, Vermont Land Trust

**12:00 PM      Lunch**

**1:00 PM      House Floor**

**-      Decorum Training**

*Immediately following House Floor*

**10 min. after  
Floor      H.1 - An act relating to agreements not to compete**

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

John Hollar, Lawyer, Downs Rachlin Martin

**3:00 PM      Committee Discussion**



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# Friday, February 1, 2019

## Meeting Details

<b>Hearing Type</b>	Standard
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## Meeting Record

<b>9:00 AM</b>	<b>Vermont Legal Aid</b>
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Mike Fisher, Vermont Health Care Advocate  
Wendy Morgan, Staff Attorney, Vermont Legal Aid

<b>9:15 AM</b>	<b>University of Vermont Extension</b>
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Mark Cannella, Associate Professor, University of Vermont  
Extension  
Chuck Ross, Director, University of Vermont Extension

<b>9:30 AM</b>	<b>House Floor</b>
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<b>10 min. after Floor</b>	<b>Economic Development</b>
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Mat Barewicz, Economic & Labor Market Information Chief,  
Department of Labor  
Sarah Buxton, Director, Workforce Policy and Performance,  
Department of Labor  
Frank Cioffi, President, Greater Burlington Industrial Corporation

<b>12:00 PM</b>	<b>Lunch</b>
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<b>1:00 PM</b>	<b>Economic Development</b>
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Chris Carrigan, Vice President of Business Development, Vermont  
Chamber of Commerce

**3:00 PM      Adjourn**

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## Tuesday, February 5, 2019

### Meeting Details

**Hearing  
Type**      Standard

### Meeting Record

**9:00 AM      Workforce Development Initiatives**

Hugh Bradshaw, Employment Services Manager, Division of  
Vocational Rehabilitation, Creative Workforce Solutions  
Sarah Buxton, Director, Workforce Policy and Performance,  
Department of Labor

**10:00 AM      FLOOR and Caucuses**

**10 min. after  
Caucuses      Workforce Development**

*Continue testimony*

Hugh Bradshaw, Employment Services Manager, Division of  
Vocational Rehabilitation, Creative Workforce Solutions  
Sarah Buxton, Director, Workforce Policy and Performance,  
Department of Labor

**11:45 AM      Skills USA Vermont**

Ryan Beloin, Secretary, SkillsUSA Vermont

Celine Champine, RN, Health Sciences 2 Instructor, SkillsUSA  
Vermont Prize and Scholarship Coordinator, SkillsUSA Advisor,  
North Country Career Center

**12:00 PM**      **Lunch**

**1:00 PM**      **Economic Development**

RT Brown, Project Manager, Windham County Economic  
Development Program

Brett Long, Deputy Commissioner of Economic Development,  
Windham County Economic Development Program

**2:30 PM**      **Vermont Economic Development Authority**

Jo Bradley, CEO, Vermont Economic Development Authority

Cassie Polhemus, Chief Operating Officer, incoming CEO, Vermont  
Economic Development Authority

**3:15 PM**      **Fee Bill**

Chris D'Elia, President, Vermont Bankers' Association

Molly Dillon, Deputy Commissioner, Banking, Department of  
Financial Regulation

Chris Rice, Lobbyist, Vermont Mortgage Bankers Association

Jill Rickard, Director of Policy, Department of Financial Regulation

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## **Wednesday, February 6, 2019**

### **Meeting Details**

**Hearing  
Type**      Standard

## Meeting Record

### **9:00 AM Vermont Housing and Conservation Board**

Ela Chapin, Farm and Forest Viability Program Director, Vermont Housing and Conservation Board

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

Gus Seelig, Executive Director, Vermont Housing & Conservation Board

### **10:30 AM Workforce Development**

Gwen Bailey-Rowe, Assistant Director for Adult Education, North Country Career Center

Nate Demar, President, Vermont Association of Career and Technical Education Directors,, Cold Hollow Career Center

Scott Farr, River Valley Technical Center

Eileen Illuzzi, Director, North Country Career Center

### **12:00 PM Lunch**

### **1:00 PM FLOOR**

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## Thursday, February 7, 2019

### Meeting Details

<b>Hearing Type</b>	Standard
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### Meeting Record

### **9:00 AM Hemp Processing Center Proposal**

*Joint Hearing with House Agriculture and Senate Agriculture in  
Ethan Allen Room.*

David Muller, Entrepreneur

**10:15 AM      UI Trust Fund Report**

Dirk Anderson, General Counsel, Department of Labor  
Mat Barewicz, Economic & Labor Market Information Chief,  
Department of Labor  
Cameron Wood, Director, Unemployment Insurance Division,  
Department of Labor

**12:00 PM      Lunch**

**1:00 PM      FLOOR**

**10 min. after  
Floor      Childcare Workforce**

Sarah Buxton, Director, Workforce Policy and Performance,  
Department of Labor  
Reeva Sullivan Murphy, Deputy Commissioner, Division of Child  
Development, Department for Children and Families  
Melissa Riegel-Garrett, Child Development Division Policy Director,  
Department for Children and Families, Agency of Human  
Resources

**4:00 PM**

*Vermont Food & Beverage Tasting Reception*

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**Friday, February 8, 2019**

**Meeting Details**

**Hearing  
Type** Standard

**Meeting Record**

**9:00 AM** **Committee Discussion**

*Committee member liaisons update*

**9:30 AM** **FLOOR**

**10 min. after  
Floor** **Vermont Association of Educating Young Children**

Sonja Raymond, Owner, Apple Tree Learning Centers

**12:00 PM** **Lunch**

**1:00 PM** **Fee Bill**

*Insurance piece*

Jamie Feehan, Lobbyist, Property & Casualty Insurance Association  
and State Farm

**1:15 PM** **Workforce Development**

Kim Bushey, Program Services Director, Department of Corrections  
Troy McAllister, Head of School, Department of Corrections

**3:00 PM** **Committee Adjourns**

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**Tuesday, February 12, 2019**

**Meeting Details**

**Hearing  
Type** Standard

**Meeting Record**

**9:00 AM Workforce Development**

*Next Gen, Apprenticeships, CTF, Reloc802*

Judy Bourbeau, Apprenticeship Program Supervisor, Department  
of Labor

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

**10:00 AM House Floor and Caucuses**

**10 min. after  
Caucus Workforce Development**

*Continued testimony*

Judy Bourbeau, Apprenticeship Program Supervisor, Department  
of Labor

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

**12:00 PM Lunch**

**1:00 PM Workforce Development**

*Continued testimony*

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

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**Wednesday, February 13, 2019**

## Meeting Details

**Hearing  
Type** Standard

## Meeting Record

**9:00 AM Workforce Training**

William Lucci, Assistant Director for Adult Technical Education,  
Stafford Technical Center

Robert Travers, Director, Center for Technology, Essex

**10:30 AM H.1 - An act relating to agreements not to compete**

Judy Cheeseman, Resident, Colchester

Jeff Couture, Executive Director, Vermont Technology Alliance

Chris D'Elia, President, Vermont Bankers' Association

Michael Ly, CEO, Reconciled

Marc Sherman, Vice Chair, Government Relations, Vermont Retail  
& Grocers Association

Erin Sigrist, President, Vermont Retail & Grocers Association

**12:00 PM Lunch**

**1:00 PM House Floor**

**10 min. after H.1 - An act relating to agreements not to compete**

**Floor**

*Continued testimony*

Jon Cone, President and Chief Technical Officer, Vermont  
PhotoInkjet, LLC and President of Cone Editions Press

Cairn Cross, Co-Founder, Fresh Tracks Capital

John Hollar, Lobbyist, Community Financial Services Group



**3:00 PM WC Administrative Fund**

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

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## Thursday, February 14, 2019

### Meeting Details

**Hearing  
Type** Standard

### Meeting Record

**9:00 AM After School Day**

Christy Gallese, Director of Expanded Learning, Burlington School District

Hiba Laaroussi, MedTrek Mentor, Grade 10, Winooski High School

Caleb Morehouse, Grade 12, Vermont Commons School, Vermont Youth Council

Suzanne Skaflestad, Director, Winooski 21C Program

**9:30 AM Update on Heating Technical Workforce and Heating Fuel CDL Drivers, Auto Insurance**

Mat Cota, Lobbyist, Vermont Fuel Dealers Association

Jamie Feehan, Lobbyist, American Property and Casualty Insurance Association

Kevin Gaffney, Director of Rates & Forms, Department of Financial Regulation

**10:30 AM Bankers' Day**

Chris D'Elia, President, Vermont Bankers' Association

Michael Seaver, Vermont President, People's United Bank

**11:00 AM      Workforce Development**

Carolyn Weir, Senior Philanthropic Advisor, The Vermont  
Community Foundation

**11:50 AM      Lunch**

**1:00 PM      House Floor**

**10 min. after  
Floor      Workforce Development**

Pat McDonald, Board President, Campaign for Vermont  
Kevin Mullin, Chair, Green Mountain Care Board  
Laura Pelosi, Lobbyist, VT Health Care Assoc. VT Assoc. of  
Hospital and Health Systems, Bayada Home Health  
Mary Anne Sheahan, Executive Director, Vermont Talent Pipeline  
Management Project

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## **Friday, February 15, 2019**

### **Meeting Details**

**Hearing  
Type**      Standard

### **Meeting Record**

**9:00 AM      Housing**

Chris Donnelly, Director of Community Relations, Champlain  
Housing Trust

**9:30 AM      House Floor**

**10 min. after  
Floor**

**Administrative Economic Development Initiative**

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

David Hall, Legislative Counsel, Office of Legislative Counsel

Michael Schirling, Secretary, Agency of Commerce and Community Development

Rebecca Wasserman, Legislative Counsel, Office of Legislative Counsel

**12:00 PM**

**Lunch**

**1:00 PM**

**Administrative Economic Development Initiative**

*Continued testimony*

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

Brett Long, Deputy Commissioner of Economic Development, Windham County Economic Development Program

Michael Schirling, Secretary, Agency of Commerce and Community Development

Megan Sullivan, Executive Director, Vermont Economic Progress Council

**3:00 PM**

**Committee Adjourns**

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**Tuesday, February 19, 2019**

**Meeting Details**

**Hearing  
Type** Standard

**Meeting Record**

**9:00 AM NEK Learning Services**

Michelle Tarryk, Executive Director, Northeast Kingdom Learning Services

**10:00 AM House Floor**

**After Floor Implicit Bias Training**

*Led by the Vermont Human Rights Commission for the entire House in the House Chamber*

**12:30 PM Lunch and Caucuses**

**1:15 PM Party Caucuses**

**10 min. after  
Caucuses Universal Service Fund Presentation**

Peter Bluhm, Vermont PSB Policy Director, (retired), Consultant and Owner, Berkshire Telecommunications Consulting

**3:00 PM Vermont Housing and Conservation Coalition**

Josh Ryan, Principal, Timber and Stone, Montpelier  
Andrew Winter, Executive Director, Twin Pines Housing Trust

**3:30 PM H.1 - An act relating to agreements not to compete**

*Mark-up*

Chris D'Elia, President, Vermont Bankers' Association

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

John Hollar, Lobbyist, Vermont Insurance Agents Association,  
Community Financial Services Group

Damien Leonard, Legislative Counsel, Office of Legislative Counsel

Charles Martin, Government Affairs Director, VT Chamber of  
Commerce

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## Wednesday, February 20, 2019

### Meeting Details

<b>Hearing Type</b>	Standard
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### Meeting Record

<b>9:00 AM</b>	<b>Governor's FY 2020 Proposed Budget</b>
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David Hall, Legislative Counsel, Office of Legislative Counsel

<b>12:00 PM</b>	<b>Lunch</b>
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<b>1:00 PM</b>	<b>House Floor</b>
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<b>10 min. after Floor</b>	<b>Governor's FY 2020 Proposed Budget</b>
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David Hall, Legislative Counsel, Office of Legislative Counsel

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## Thursday, February 21, 2019

### Meeting Details

**Hearing  
Type** Standard

**Meeting Record**

**9:00 AM Talent Pipeline and Workforce Development**

Mary Anne Sheahan, Executive Director, Vermont Talent Pipeline  
Management Project

Deb Snell, President, AFT Vermont, AFT-VT

Lisa Ventriss, President, Vermont Business Roundtable

**9:45 AM Vermont Center for Emerging Technologies**

David Bradbury, VCET President, Vermont Center for Emerging  
Technologies

**10:30 AM Election of Sergeant at Arms, an Adjutant and Inspector General,  
and three Trustees of UVM and State Agricultural College**

*Joint Assembly*

**12:00 PM Lunch**

**1:00 PM House Floor**

**10 min. after H. - An act relating to clarifying the definition of credit report**

**Floor**

*Technical correction*

David Hall, Legislative Counsel, Office of Legislative Counsel

**3:00 PM TBA**

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# Friday, February 22, 2019

## Meeting Details

<b>Hearing Type</b>	Standard
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## Meeting Record

<b>9:00 AM</b>	<b>Committee Discussion</b> <i>Committee liaison update</i>
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<b>9:30 AM</b>	<b>House Floor</b>
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<b>10 min. after Floor</b>	<b>Community Action Day</b>  Ron Connell, Participant Dwight DeCoster, Weatherization Program Director, Champlain Valley Office of Economic Opportunity (CVOEO) Jan Demers, Executive Director, Champlain Valley Office of Economic Opportunity Val Elliott, Participant, Danville Margaret Ferguson, Business Counselor, Capstone Community Action John Gergely, Business Coach, Champlain Valley Office of Economic Opportunity (CVOEO) Noah Kanter, Participant, Winooski Karen Lafayette, Lobbyist, Community Action Partnership, Vermont Low Income Advocacy Council KrystaLyn Marzewski, Participant, Burlington Amy Robinson, Program Director, MBDP and IDA, NEKCA Sarah Stafford, Participant, St. Johnsbury Francine Valero, Participant, Winooski
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<b>12:00 PM</b>	<b>Lunch</b>
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**1:00 PM Vermont Training Program**

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

Brett Long, Deputy Commissioner of Economic Development, Windham County Economic Development Program

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

**3:00 PM Adjourn**

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## Tuesday, February 26, 2019

### Meeting Details

<b>Hearing Type</b>	Standard
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### Meeting Record

**9:00 AM Governor's FY 2020 Proposed Budget**

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

Ken Gregg, Financial Director, Military Department

David Hall, Legislative Counsel, Office of Legislative Counsel

Lindsay Kurrle, Commissioner, Department of Labor

**10:00 AM FLOOR and Caucuses**

**10 min. after Governor's FY 2020 Proposed Budget**

**Caucus**

*Testimony continued*



Corine Farewell, Director of Technology Transfer, UVM  
Nick Grimley, Director of Entrepreneurship & Tech  
Commercialization, Agency of Commerce and Community  
Development  
David Hall, Legislative Counsel, Office of Legislative Counsel  
Jeb Spaulding, Chancellor, Vermont State College System

**12:00 PM      Lunch**

**1:00 PM      Governor's FY 2020 Proposed Budget**

*Testimony continued*

Jo Bradley, CEO, Vermont Economic Development Authority  
Marilyn Cargill, Vice President, Financial Aid Services, Marketing  
and Research, Vermont Student Assistance Corporation  
Nate Demar, President, Vermont Association of Career and  
Technical Education Directors, Cold Hollow Career Center  
Bob Flint, Executive Director, Springfield Regional Development  
Corporation  
Laura Ginsburg, Agricultural Development Section Chief, Agency  
of Agriculture, Food and Markets  
Kristin Haas, State Vet, Director, Food Safety, Agency of  
Agriculture  
David Hall, Legislative Counsel, Office of Legislative Counsel  
Fred Kenney, Executive Director, Addison County Economic  
Development Corporation  
Tom Little, General Counsel, Vermont Student Assistance  
Corporation  
Cassie Polhemus, Chief Operating Officer, incoming CEO, Vermont  
Economic Development Authority  
Clay Purvis, Director of Telecommunications and Connectivity,  
Department of Public Service  
June Tierney, Commissioner, Department of Public Service

**4:30 PM      Governor's FY 2020 Proposed Budget**

*Committee discussion*

David Hall, Legislative Counsel, Office of Legislative Counsel

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## Wednesday, February 27, 2019

### Meeting Details

<b>Hearing Type</b>	Standard
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### Meeting Record

<b>9:00 AM</b>	<b>Governor's FY 2020 Proposed Budget</b>
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David Hall, Legislative Counsel, Office of Legislative Counsel

<b>10:30 AM</b>	<b>H.327 - An act relating to automatic renewal contract provisions</b>
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*Introduction*

Jeff Couture, Executive Director, Vermont Technology Alliance

David Hall, Legislative Counsel, Office of Legislative Counsel

John Quinn, Secretary, Agency of Digital Services

Rep. Samuel Young, Sponsor

<b>12:00 PM</b>	<b>Lunch</b>
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<b>1:00 PM</b>	<b>House Floor</b>
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<b>10 min. after Floor</b>	<b>Governor's FY 2020 Budget Address</b>
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David Hall, Legislative Counsel, Office of Legislative Counsel

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

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

*Amendments, mark-up, vote*

Tricia Coates, Director of External & Governmental Affairs, Vermont  
State Colleges

David Hall, Legislative Counsel, Office of Legislative Counsel

David Hall, Legislative Counsel, Office of Legislative Counsel

Adam Necrason, Lobbyist, Necrason Group

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## Thursday, February 28, 2019

### Meeting Details

<b>Hearing Type</b>	Standard
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### Meeting Record

**9:00 AM      Salvation Farms**

Jake Kornfeld, Vermont Commodity Program, Community  
Coordinated, Salvation Farms

Rep. Avram Patt, Salvation Farms

Theresa Snow, Director, Salvation Farms

**9:45 AM      H.533 - An act relating to workforce development**

*Introduction, walk-through and testimony*

David Hall, Legislative Counsel, Office of Legislative Counsel

Joyce Judy, President, Community College of Vermont

Pat Moulton , President, Vermont Technical College

**12:00 PM      Lunch**

**1:00 PM      House Floor**

**10 min. after  
Floor      H.533 - An act relating to workforce development**

David Hall, Legislative Counsel, Office of Legislative Counsel

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

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

Erhard Mahnke, Coordinator, Vermont Affordable Housing  
Coalition

Michael Schirling, Secretary, Agency of Commerce and Community  
Development

Mary Anne Sheahan, Executive Director, Vermont Talent Pipeline  
Management Project

**After      Governor's FY 2020 Proposed Budget**

David Hall, Legislative Counsel, Office of Legislative Counsel

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

Karen Lafayette, Lobbyist, Community Action Partnership, Vermont  
Low Income Advocacy Council

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## **Friday, March 1, 2019**

### **Meeting Details**

**Hearing  
Type      Standard**

### **Meeting Record**

**9:00 AM      Addendum to Budget Proposal**

David Hall, Legislative Counsel, Office of Legislative Counsel  
Jennifer Hollar, Director of Policy and Special Projects, Vermont  
Housing and Conservation Board

**9:30 AM      House Floor**

**10 min. after  
Floor      Employment Bills**

**-      H.296 - An act relating to creating the Self-Employment Assistance Program**

Dirk Anderson, General Counsel, Department of Labor

Rep. Robin Chesnut-Tangerman, Sponsor

Rep. Felisha Leffler, Sponsor

Damien Leonard, Legislative Counsel, Office of Legislative Counsel

Damien Leonard, Legislative Counsel, Office of Legislative Counsel

Molly Mahar, President, Vermont Ski Areas Association

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

Matt Musgrave, Deputy Executive Vice President, Associated  
General Contractors of Vermont

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

**12:00 PM      Lunch**

**1:00 PM      Employment Bills**

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**Tuesday, March 5, 2019**

**Meeting Details**

<b>Hearing Type</b>	Standard
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#### Meeting Record

- **No Committee Meetings Scheduled**

*The General Assembly is on break for Town Meeting week*

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## Tuesday, March 12, 2019

#### Meeting Details

<b>Hearing Type</b>	Standard
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#### Meeting Record

**9:00 AM      Habitat for Humanity**

David Mullin, Executive Director, Green Mountain Habitat for  
Humanity

**9:45 AM      H.327 - An act relating to automatic renewal contract provisions**

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

**10:00 AM      House Floor and Caucuses**

*House Caucuses will be during Floor business. No additional Caucus  
after Floor.*

**12:00 PM      Lunch**

**1:00 PM      H.533 - An act relating to workforce development**

Clifton Long, Plumbing and Heating Instructor, Central Vermont  
Career Center

**1:45 PM      Vermont Lumber Association**

*Discuss workforce development*

William Smith, Attorney, Smith Government Relations

**2:15 PM      H.351 - An act relating to workers' compensation, unemployment  
insurance, and ski tramway amendments**

*Mark-up*

Dirk Anderson, General Counsel, Department of Labor

Damien Leonard, Legislative Counsel, Office of Legislative Counsel

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

**3:00 PM      H.513 - An act relating to broadband deployment throughout  
Vermont**

Jo Bradley, CEO, Vermont Economic Development Authority

Cassie Polhemus, Chief Operating Officer, incoming CEO, Vermont  
Economic Development Authority

Clay Purvis, Director of Telecommunications and Connectivity,  
Department of Public Service

Maria Royle, Legislative Counsel, Office of Legislative Counsel

June Tierney, Commissioner, Department of Public Service

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**Wednesday, March 13, 2019**

**Meeting Details**

**Hearing  
Type**

Standard

**Meeting Record**

**9:00 AM**

**H.533 - An act relating to workforce development**

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

Kimberly Bushey, Program Services Director, Department of  
Corrections

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

David Hall, Legislative Counsel, Office of Legislative Counsel

Breck Knauft, Executive Director, Vermont Youth Conservation  
Corps

Gregory C. Knight, Adjutant General, Vermont National Guard

Krysta Sadowski, Senior Manager, Gallagher, Flynn & Company  
LLP

**12:00 PM**

**Lunch**

**1:00 PM**

**House Floor**

**10 min. after  
Floor**

**H.533 - An act relating to workforce development**

Betsy Bishop, President, Vermont Chamber of Commerce

Tricia Coates, Director of External & Governmental Affairs, Vermont  
State Colleges

David Hall, Legislative Counsel, Office of Legislative Counsel

Lauren Hibbert, Director, Office of Professional Regulation

Matt Musgrave, Deputy Executive Vice President, Associated  
General Contractors of Vermont



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# Thursday, March 14, 2019

## Meeting Details

<b>Hearing Type</b>	Standard
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## Meeting Record

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

Adam Grinold, Executive Director, Brattleboro Development Credit  
Corporation

David Hall, Legislative Counsel, Office of Legislative Counsel

Len Schmidt, President, Vermont Adult Career and Technical  
Association

<b>11:30 AM</b>	<b>Taipei Economic and Cultural Office of Boston</b>
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Douglas Hsu, Director General, Taipei Economic and Cultural  
Office in Boston

Claudia Tu, Representative, Taipei Economic and Cultural Office in  
Boston

Irene Wu, Consular Officer, Taipei Economic and Cultural Office in  
Boston

<b>12:00 PM</b>	<b>Lunch</b>
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<b>1:00 PM</b>	<b>House Floor</b>
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<b>10 min. after Floor</b>	<b>H.533 - An act relating to workforce development</b>
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Dan Barlow, Public Policy Manager, Vermont Business for Social  
Responsibility

Tom Cheney, Director, Advance Vermont

Dwight DeCoster, Weatherization Program Director, Champlain  
Valley Office of Economic Opportunity (CVOEO)

Bill Driscoll, Vice President, Associated Industries of Vermont

David Hall, Legislative Counsel, Office of Legislative Counsel

**3:00 PM      H.351 - An act relating to workers' compensation, unemployment insurance, and ski tramway amendments**

Bill Driscoll, Vice President, Associated Industries of Vermont

**After      H.533 - An act relating to workforce development**

Bill Driscoll, Vice President, Associated Industries of Vermont

David Hall, Legislative Counsel, Office of Legislative Counsel

Karen Lafayette, Lobbyist, Community Action Partnership, Vermont  
Low Income Advocacy Council

Brett Long, Deputy Commissioner of Economic Development,  
Windham County Economic Development Program

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## Friday, March 15, 2019

### Meeting Details

<b>Hearing Type</b>	Standard
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### Meeting Record

<b>9:00 AM</b>	<b>Committee Discussion</b>
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*Committee liaison update*

<b>9:30 AM</b>	<b>House Floor</b>
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**10 min. after  
Floor**

**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

John Hollar, Lobbyist, Vermont Business Roundtable

Brett Long, Deputy Commissioner of Economic Development,  
Windham County Economic Development Program

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

**12:00 PM**

**Lunch**

**1:00 PM**

**H.533 - An act relating to workforce development**

*Mark-up*

David Hall, Legislative Counsel, Office of Legislative Counsel

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

**After**

**H.351 - An act relating to workers' compensation, unemployment  
insurance, and ski tramway amendments**

*Mark-up and vote*

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

David Hall, Legislative Counsel, Office of Legislative Counsel

Damien Leonard, Legislative Counsel, Office of Legislative Counsel

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**Tuesday, March 19, 2019**

**Meeting Details**

**Hearing  
Type** Standard

**Meeting Record**

**9:00 AM School Nutrition Day**

Molly Betournay, Director, Social Research and Advocacy, Clean  
Yield Asset Management

Anore Horton, Executive Director, Hunger Free Vermont

**9:30 AM H.513 - An act relating to broadband deployment throughout  
Vermont**

*Unofficial Proposed Amendments*

Jo Bradley, CEO, Vermont Economic Development Authority

Maria Royle, Legal Counsel, Office of Legislative Counsel

**10:00 AM House Floor and Caucuses**

**12:00 PM Lunch**

**3:35 PM Introduction of Bills**

**- H.193 - An act relating to creating a State funding match for  
Americorps members**

Phil Kolling, Executive Director, SerVermont

Rep. Daniel Noyes, Sponsor

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Rep. Charles "Butch" Shaw, Sponsor

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# Wednesday, March 20, 2019

## Meeting Details

<b>Hearing Type</b>	Standard
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## Meeting Record

<b>9:00 AM</b>	<b>S.109 - An act relating to captive insurance companies and risk retention groups</b>
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*Mark-up*

Ian Davis, Director of Financial Services, Agency of Commerce and Community Development

David Provost, Deputy Commissioner, Captive Insurance Division, Department of Financial Regulation

Maria Royle, Legislative Counsel, Office of Legislative Counsel

Richard Smith, President, Vermont Captive Insurance Association

<b>10:30 AM</b>	<b>TBA</b>
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*10 minutes*

<b>10:40 AM</b>	<b>H.533 - An act relating to workforce development</b>
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George Russell, Chair, Vermont Youth Conservation Corp, Founder of Machinery Advisors Consortium

<b>10:50 AM</b>	<b>Introduction of Bills</b>
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- **H.101 - An act relating to creating an Event Marketing Fund**

Rep. Johannah Donovan, Sponsor

Rep. Heidi E. Scheuermann, Sponsor

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Rep. Amy Sheldon, Sponsor

**11:30 AM Vermont Convention Bureau**

Austin Davis, Government Affairs Manager, Lake Champlain  
Regional Chamber of Commerce  
Jeff Lawson, Executive Director, Vermont Convention Bureau

**12:00 PM Lunch**

**1:00 PM House Floor**

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## **Thursday, March 21, 2019**

### **Meeting Details**

<b>Hearing Type</b>	Standard
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### **Meeting Record**

**9:00 AM Introduction of Bills**

- **H.335 - An act relating to providing workers' compensation coverage for post-traumatic stress disorder suffered by Family Services Division caseworkers**

Rep. James Carroll, Sponsor  
Rep. Eileen Dickinson, Sponsor  
Rep. Katherine "Kari" Dolan, Sponsor  
Rep. Matthew Hill, Sponsor  
Rep. Charles Kimbell, Sponsor  
Rep. Ann Pugh, Sponsor

**10:30 AM Break**

After	Review Bills Introduced
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12:00 PM	Lunch
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1:00 PM	House Floor
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## Friday, March 22, 2019

### Meeting Details

Hearing Type	Standard
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### Meeting Record

9:00 AM	Committee Discussion
	<i>Committee liaison update</i>

9:30 AM	House Floor
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12:00 PM	Lunch
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## Tuesday, March 26, 2019

### Meeting Details

Hearing Type	Standard
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## Meeting Record

### **9:00 AM      H.550 - An act relating to unclaimed property**

Timothy Duggan, Legal Director, Office of the State Treasurer

Luke Martland, Director and Chief Counsel, Office of Legislative Counsel

Beth Pearce, State Treasurer, Office of the State Treasurer

### **10:00 AM      House Floor and Caucuses**

### **12:00 PM      Lunch**

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## Wednesday, March 27, 2019

### Meeting Details

<b>Hearing Type</b>	Standard
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### Meeting Record

### **10:30 AM      Retention of Superior Court Judges and Magistrates**

*Joint Assembly*

### **12:00 PM      Lunch**

### **1:00 PM      FLOOR**

### **2:00 PM      H.533 - An act relating to workforce development**

*Introduce Shaw Amendment*

Brynn Hare, Legislative Counsel, Office of Legislative Counsel



## Thursday, March 28, 2019

### Meeting Details

<b>Hearing Type</b>	Standard
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### Meeting Record

<b>9:00 AM</b>	<b>Workers' Compensation Bills</b>
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*Walk-throughs*

- **H.14 - An act relating to workers' compensation**

Damien Leonard, Legislative Counsel, Office of Legislative Counsel

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

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Division, Department of Labor

<b>10:00 AM</b>	<b>FLOOR</b>
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<b>12:00 PM</b>	<b>Lunch</b>
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# Friday, March 29, 2019

## Meeting Details

<b>Hearing Type</b>	Standard
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## Meeting Record

<b>9:00 AM</b>	<b>Committee Discussion</b> <i>Committee liaison updates</i>
<b>9:30 AM</b>	<b>FLOOR</b>
<b>12:00 PM</b>	<b>Lunch</b>
<b>1:00 PM</b>	<b>Committee Adjourned</b>

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# Tuesday, April 2, 2019

## Meeting Details

<b>Hearing Type</b>	Standard
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## Meeting Record

<b>9:00 AM</b>	<b>H.550 - An act relating to unclaimed property</b> Carl Lisman, Commissioner, ULC Luke Martland, Director and Chief Counsel, Office of Legislative Counsel
<b>10:00 AM</b>	<b>House Floor and Caucuses</b>

**12:00 PM**      **Lunch**

**1:00 PM**      **H.550 - An act relating to unclaimed property**

*Continued Testimony*

Timothy Duggan, Legal Director, Office of the State Treasurer

Al LaPerle, Director of Unclaimed Property, Office of the State Treasurer

Luke Martland, Director and Chief Counsel, Office of Legislative Counsel

Jill Rickard, Director of Policy, Department of Financial Regulation

Erin Sigrist, President, Vermont Retail & Grocers Association

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## **Wednesday, April 3, 2019**

### **Meeting Details**

**Hearing  
Type**      Standard

### **Meeting Record**

**9:00 AM**      **Vermont Tourism Day**

*Room 11*

Abigail Long, Executive Director, Kingdom Trails Association, East Burke

Roberta MacDonald, Cabot Creamery, Statewide

Peter MacLaren, Innkeeper, West Hill House Bed and Breakfast, Warren

Rob Megnin, Director Sales, Marketing and Reservations, Killington Resort, Killington

Sarah Morris, Director of Food and Beverage, Basin Harbor, Vergennes

Tom Remp, Marketing Manager, Billings Farm and Museum,  
Woodstock

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

Mike Sheeran, Chief Operating Officer, Larkin Hospitality,  
Chittenden County, Waterbury, White River Junction

Amy Spear, Executive Director, Stowe Area Association, Stowe

**12:00 PM      Lunch**

**1:00 PM      House Floor**

**10 min. after  
Floor      Workers' Compensation Bills**

**-      H.14 - An act relating to workers' compensation**

Alyson Eastman, Deputy Secretary, Agency of Agriculture, Food  
and Markets

Jamie Feehan, Lobbyist, American Property and Casualty  
Insurance Association

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Steve Howard, Executive Director, Vermont State Employees  
Association

Michelle Kingston, Owner, Instructor, Lazy Acres Equines

David Mickenberg, Lobbyist, Working Vermont and Vermont  
Association for Justice

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

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Division, Department of Labor

Karen Shea, Deputy Commissioner, Family Services Division,  
Department for Children and Families

Jeffrey Wallin, Director, Medical Marijuana Program, Department of  
Public Safety  
Rebecca White, Risk Management Director of Operations, Agency  
of Administration

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## Thursday, April 4, 2019

### Meeting Details

<b>Hearing Type</b>	Standard
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### Meeting Record

<b>9:00 AM</b>	<b>S.110 - An act relating to data privacy and consumer protection</b>
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Sue Ceglowski, Director of Legal and Policy Services, Vermont  
School Boards Association

Daniel French, Secretary, Agency of Education

Patricia Gabel, Vermont State Court Administrator, Vermont  
Judiciary

David Hall, Legislative Counsel, Office of Legislative Counsel

Sen. Cheryl Hooker, Reporter

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

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

Maggie Lenz, Lobbyist, FaceBook

Tanya Marshall, State Archivist and Chief Records Officer,  
Secretary of State's Office

John Quinn, Secretary, Agency of Digital Services

Colin Robinson, Political Director, Vermont National Education  
Association

<b>12:00 PM</b>	<b>Lunch</b>
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**1:00 PM      House Floor**

**10 min. after  
Floor      TBA**

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## Friday, April 5, 2019

### Meeting Details

**Hearing  
Type**      Standard

### Meeting Record

**9:00 AM      Committee Discussion**  
*Committee liaison updates*

**9:30 AM      House Floor**

**12:00 PM      Lunch**

**1:00 PM      S.154 - An act relating to miscellaneous banking provisions**  
*Walk-through*

Joseph Bergeron, Executive Director, Association of Vermont  
Credit Unions

Chris D'Elia, President, Vermont Bankers' Association

Molly Dillon, Deputy Commissioner, Banking, Department of  
Financial Regulation

David Hall, Legislative Counsel, Office of Legislative Counsel

Steve Knudson, Assistant General Counsel, Department of  
Financial Regulation

## Tuesday, April 9, 2019

### Meeting Details

<b>Hearing Type</b>	Standard
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### Meeting Record

<b>9:00 AM</b>	<b>H.550 - An act relating to unclaimed property</b>
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Chris D'Elia, President, Vermont Bankers' Association  
Ashlynn Doyon, Executive Assistant and Policy Analyst, Office of  
the State Treasurer  
Timothy Duggan, Legal Director, Office of the State Treasurer  
Luke Martland, Director and Chief Counsel, Office of Legislative  
Counsel  
Chris Rice, Lobbyist, American Council of Life Insurance  
Jill Rickard, Director of Policy, Department of Financial Regulation  
Erin Sigrist, President, Vermont Retail & Grocers Association

<b>10:00 AM</b>	<b>House Floor and Caucuses</b>
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<b>12:00 PM</b>	<b>Lunch</b>
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<b>1:00 PM</b>	<b>S.110 - An act relating to data privacy and consumer protection</b>
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Charity Clark, Chief of Staff, Attorney General's Office  
Ryan Kriger, Assistant Attorney General, Attorney General's Office  
Luke Martland, Director and Chief Counsel, Office of Legislative  
Counsel

Kevin Moore, Deputy Director for Information Technology,  
Legislative Council  
John Quinn, Secretary, Agency of Digital Services

**1:30 PM      Remote Worker Update**

Sen. Alison Clarkson, Reporter  
John O'Duinn, Founder, Release Mechanix, LLC

**3:15 PM      H.298 - An act relating to the creation of the Tourism Marketing  
Promotion Fund**

*Walk-through*

Roberto Gonzalez, Law Clerk, Office of Legislative Counsel  
Wendy Knight, Commissioner, Department of Tourism and  
Marketing, Agency of Commerce and Community Development

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## **Wednesday, April 10, 2019**

### **Meeting Details**

<b>Hearing Type</b>	Standard
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### **Meeting Record**

**9:00 AM      S.108 - An act relating to employee misclassification**

Dirk Anderson, General Counsel, Department of Labor  
Michael Fisher, Chief Health Care Advocate, Office of Health Care  
Advocate, Vermont Legal Aid  
Damien Leonard, Legislative Counsel, Office of Legislative Counsel  
David Mickenberg, Lobbyist, Working Vermont, Vermont Building  
and Construction Trades Council



Stephen Monahan, Director Workers' Compensation and Safety  
Division, Department of Labor  
Matt Musgrave, Deputy Executive Vice President, Associated  
General Contractors of Vermont  
Sen. Michael Sirotkin, Reporter

**10:45 AM      H.67 - An act relating to workers' compensation**

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

**12:00 PM      Lunch**

**1:00 PM      House Floor**

**10 min. after  
Floor      S.110 - An act relating to data privacy and consumer protection**

David Hall, Legislative Counsel, Office of Legislative Counsel  
Andrew Kingman, Counsel, State Privacy & Security Coalition,  
Senior Managing Attorney, Senior Managing Attorney, DLA  
Piper

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

Maggie Lenz, Lobbyist, FaceBook

Zachary Tomanelli, Communications and Technology Director,  
VPIRG

Thomas Weiss, Resident, Montpelier

**3:30 PM      Credit Union Day**

Matt Levandowski, CEO, Heritage Family (Federal) Credit Union

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**Thursday, April 11, 2019**

**Meeting Details**

**Hearing  
Type**

Standard

**Meeting Record**

**9:00 AM**

**S.108 - An act relating to employee misclassification**

*Mark-up*

Dirk Anderson, General Counsel, Department of Labor

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

Bill Driscoll, Vice President, Associated Industries of Vermont

Damien Leonard, Legislative Counsel, Office of Legislative Counsel

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

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

**10:30 AM**

**Break**

**10:45 AM**

**S.110 - An act relating to data privacy and consumer protection**

*Mark-up*

Charity Clark, Chief of Staff, Attorney General's Office

David Hall, Legislative Counsel, Office of Legislative Counsel

Andrew Kingman, Counsel, State Privacy & Security Coalition,  
Senior Managing Attorney, Senior Managing Attorney, DLA  
Piper

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

Thomas Weiss, Resident, Montpelier

**12:00 PM**

**Lunch**

**1:00 PM**

**House Floor**

**10 min. after  
Floor**

**S.108 - An act relating to employee misclassification**

*Mark-up*

Damien Leonard, Legislative Counsel, Office of Legislative Counsel  
Stephen Monahan, Director Workers' Compensation and Safety  
Division, Department of Labor  
Cameron Wood, Director, Unemployment Insurance Division,  
Department of Labor

**4:00 PM**

**S.110 - An act relating to data privacy and consumer protection**

*Mark-up*

David Hall, Legislative Counsel, Office of Legislative Counsel

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## **Friday, April 12, 2019**

### **Meeting Details**

<b>Hearing Type</b>	Standard
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### **Meeting Record**

**9:00 AM**

**Committee Discussion**

*Committee liaison updates*

**9:30 AM**

**House Floor**

**10 min. after  
Floor**

**H.550 - An act relating to unclaimed property**

Ashlynn Doyon, Executive Assistant and Policy Analyst, Office of  
the State Treasurer  
Timothy Duggan, Legal Director, Office of the State Treasurer

Al LaPerle, Director of Unclaimed Property, Office of the State  
Treasurer

**12:00 PM**      **Lunch**

**1:00 PM**      **S.110 - An act relating to data privacy and consumer protection**

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

Maggie Lenz, Lobbyist, FaceBook

Sara Teachout, Director, Government, Public and Media Relations,  
Blue Cross/Blue Shield of Vermont

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## Tuesday, April 16, 2019

### Meeting Details

**Hearing  
Type**      Standard

### Meeting Record

**9:00 AM**      **S.162 - An act relating to promoting economic development**

*Introduction and walk-through*

Sen. Randy Brock, Reporter

David Hall, Legislative Counsel, Office of Legislative Counsel

**10:00 AM**      **House Floor and Caucuses**

**12:00 PM**      **Lunch**

**1:00 PM**      **S.54 - An act relating to the regulation of cannabis**

Michele Childs, Legislative Counsel, Office of Legislative Counsel  
David Hall, Legislative Counsel, Office of Legislative Counsel  
Virginia Renfrew, Lobbyist, VT Cannabis Trade Association

**After      S.162 - An act relating to promoting economic development**

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

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## Wednesday, April 17, 2019

### Meeting Details

<b>Hearing Type</b>	Standard
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### Meeting Record

-      **Lunch**  
*Funeral for Rep. Robert Forguites*

<b>2:30 PM</b>	<b>House Floor</b>
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## Thursday, April 18, 2019

### Meeting Details

**Hearing  
Type**

Standard

**Meeting Record**

**9:00 AM**

**S.54 - An act relating to the regulation of cannabis**

Dirk Anderson, General Counsel, Department of Labor

Joseph Bergeron, Executive Director, Association of Vermont  
Credit Unions

Chris D'Elia, President, Vermont Bankers' Association

Jamie Feehan, Lobbyist, American Property and Casualty  
Insurance Association

Aaron Ferenc, Financial Examination Director, Department of  
Financial Regulation

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

David Hall, Legislative Counsel, Office of Legislative Counsel

David Hall, Legislative Counsel, Office of Legislative Counsel

**12:00 PM**

**Lunch**

**1:00 PM**

**House Floor**

*1:30 p.m., House Commerce to Governor's Ceremonial Office for  
signing of Captive Bill*

**10 min. after  
Floor**

**Vermont Employee Ownership Center**

*Update*

Matt Cropp, Co-Executive Director, Vermont Employee Ownership  
Center

Don Jamison, Co-Executive Director, Vermont Employee  
Ownership Center

**After S.54 - An act relating to the regulation of cannabis**

*Testimony continued*

David Hall, Legislative Counsel, Office of Legislative Counsel  
Shayne Lynn, Executive Director, Champlain Valley Dispensary,  
Inc.

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## Friday, April 19, 2019

### Meeting Details

<b>Hearing Type</b>	Standard
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### Meeting Record

<b>9:00 AM</b>	<b>Committee Discussion</b> <i>Committee liaison updates</i>
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<b>9:30 AM</b>	<b>House Floor</b>
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<b>10 min. after Floor</b>	<b>S.54 - An act relating to the regulation of cannabis</b> <i>Memo to Government Operations</i> David Hall, Legislative Counsel, Office of Legislative Counsel
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<b>12:00 PM</b>	<b>Adjourn</b>
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## Tuesday, April 23, 2019

### Meeting Details

**Hearing  
Type**      Standard

**Meeting Record**

**9:00 AM      S.131 - An act relating to insurance and securities**

*Walk-through*

Maria Royle, Legislative Counsel, Office of Legislative Counsel

**10:00 AM      House Floor and Caucuses**

**12:00 PM      Lunch**

**1:00 PM      S.108 - An act relating to employee misclassification**

*Mark-up*

Dirk Anderson, General Counsel, Department of Labor

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

Jamie Feehan, Lobbyist, American Property and Casualty  
Insurance Association

Damien Leonard, Legislative Counsel, Office of Legislative Counsel

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

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

**3:15 PM      H.550 - An act relating to unclaimed property**

*Mark-up*

Timothy Duggan, Legal Director, Office of the State Treasurer

Luke Martland, Director and Chief Counsel, Office of Legislative  
Counsel



Wendy Morgan, Staff Attorney, Vermont Legal Aid

**3:45 PM      S.110 - An act relating to data privacy and consumer protection**

*Mark-up*

David Hall, Legislative Counsel, Office of Legislative Counsel

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

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## Wednesday, April 24, 2019

### Meeting Details

<b>Hearing Type</b>	Standard
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### Meeting Record

**9:00 AM      S.131 - An act relating to insurance and securities**

Jamie Feehan, Lobbyist, American Property and Casualty  
Insurance Association

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

Shayla Livingston, Public Health Policy Advisor, Department of  
Health

David Mickenberg, Lobbyist, AARP Vermont

Adam Necrason, Lobbyist, Vermont Association for Justice

Michael Pieciak, Commissioner, Department of Financial  
Regulation

**10:30 AM      Break**

**10:45 AM      Corporate Tax/Unitary Combined**

Graham Campbell, Fiscal Analyst, Joint Fiscal Office  
Peter Griffin, Legislative Council, Office of Legislative Counsel

**12:00 PM**      **Lunch**

**1:00 PM**      **House Floor**

**10 min. after**      **S.131 - An act relating to insurance and securities**  
**Floor**      *Mark-up*

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## Thursday, April 25, 2019

### Meeting Details

**Hearing**      Standard  
**Type**

### Meeting Record

**9:00 AM**      **H. - An act relating to permitting and State-owned airports**

Michele Boomhower, Director, Policy, Planning & Intermodal Dev.  
Div., Agency of Transportation

Billy Coster, Director of Planning and Policy, Agency of Natural  
Resources

George Coy, Former Legislator

Anthea Dexter-Cooper, Legislative Counsel, Office of Legislative  
Counsel

Michael Schirling, Secretary, Agency of Commerce and Community  
Development

**10:30 AM**      **Break**

**10:45 AM      S.162 - An act relating to promoting economic development**

Doug Hoffer, State Auditor, State Auditor's Office

Justin Worthley, Senior Vice President, Human Resources, Burton  
Snowboards

Mark Yardley, VP, Global Sales, Darn Tough

**12:00 PM      Lunch**

**1:00 PM      House Floor**

**10 min. after      S.162 - An act relating to promoting economic development**  
**Floor**

*Testimony continued*

Angela Earle-Grey, Human Resources Director, Chroma  
Technology

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

Michael Knapp, Chief Executive Officer, Green River

Michael Schirling, Secretary, Agency of Commerce and Community  
Development

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## Friday, April 26, 2019

### Meeting Details

**Hearing**      Standard  
**Type**

### Meeting Record

**9:00 AM      S.108 - An act relating to employee misclassification**

Joshua Diamond, Deputy Attorney General, Attorney General's  
Office  
David Mickenberg, Lobbyist, AARP Vermont

**9:30 AM**      **House Floor**

**10 min. after  
Floor**

**S.108 - An act relating to employee misclassification**

Dirk Anderson, General Counsel, Department of Labor  
Bill Driscoll, Vice President, Associated Industries of Vermont  
David Mickenberg, Lobbyist, Working VT  
Cameron Wood, Director, Unemployment Insurance Division,  
Department of Labor

**12:00 PM**      **Lunch**

**1:00 PM**

**S.149 - An act relating to miscellaneous changes to laws related to  
vehicles and the Department of Motor Vehicles**

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

**1:15 PM**

**S.108 - An act relating to employee misclassification**

*Mark-up*

Damien Leonard, Legislative Counsel, Office of Legislative Counsel  
Matt Musgrave, Government Affairs Director, Associated General  
Contractors of Vermont

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**Tuesday, April 30, 2019**

**Meeting Details**

<b>Hearing Type</b>	Standard
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## Meeting Record

<b>9:00 AM</b>	<b>S.162 - An act relating to promoting economic development</b>
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David Hall, Legislative Counsel, Office of Legislative Counsel

Wendy Knight, Commissioner, Department of Tourism and

Marketing, Agency of Commerce and Community Development

Michael Schirling, Secretary, Agency of Commerce and Community  
Development

<b>10:00 AM</b>	<b>House Floor and Caucus</b>
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<b>12:00 PM</b>	<b>Lunch</b>
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<b>1:00 PM</b>	<b>S.162 - An act relating to promoting economic development</b>
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Joan Goldstein, Commissioner, Department of Economic  
Development, Agency of Commerce and Community  
Development

David Hall, Legislative Counsel, Office of Legislative Counsel

Wendy Knight, Commissioner, Department of Tourism and

Marketing, Agency of Commerce and Community Development

Bill Moore, Firearms Policy Analyst, Vermont Traditions Coalition

Michael Schirling, Secretary, Agency of Commerce and Community  
Development

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## Wednesday, May 1, 2019

### Meeting Details

<b>Hearing Type</b>	Standard
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#### Meeting Record

<b>9:00 AM</b>	<b>Depart for visit to Champlain Valley Marijuana Dispensary</b> <i>Committee will tour and meet with staff</i>
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<b>12:00 PM</b>	<b>Lunch</b>
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<b>1:00 PM</b>	<b>House Floor</b>
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## Thursday, May 2, 2019

#### Meeting Details

<b>Hearing Type</b>	Standard
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#### Meeting Record

<b>9:00 AM</b>	<b>Depart for visit to Central Vermont Career Center</b> <i>Committee to tour and meet with staff</i>
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<b>12:00 PM</b>	<b>Lunch</b>
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<b>1:00 PM</b>	<b>House Floor</b>
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<b>10 min. after Floor</b>	<b>S.108 - An act relating to employee misclassification</b> Dirk Anderson, General Counsel, Department of Labor
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Joshua Diamond, Deputy Attorney General, Attorney General's Office

Peter Walke, Deputy Secretary, Agency of Natural Resources

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

John Zaikowski, Enforcement & Litigation Section Chief, Agency of  
Natural Resources Office of the General Counsel

**5:45 PM** -

*Committee Dinner*

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## Friday, May 3, 2019

### Meeting Details

<b>Hearing Type</b>	Standard
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### Meeting Record

<b>9:00 AM</b>	<b>S.110 - An act relating to data privacy and consumer protection</b>
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*Mark-up*

David Hall, Legislative Counsel, Office of Legislative Counsel

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

<b>9:30 AM</b>	<b>House Floor</b>
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<b>10 min. after Floor</b>	<b>S.162 - An act relating to promoting economic development</b>
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Joan Goldstein, Commissioner, Department of Economic  
Development, Agency of Commerce and Community  
Development

David Hall, Legislative Counsel, Office of Legislative Counsel

Michael Schirling, Secretary, Agency of Commerce and Community  
Development

Megan Sullivan, Executive Director, Vermont Economic Progress  
Council

**12:00 PM      Lunch**

**1:00 PM      S.108 - An act relating to employee misclassification**

Diane Bothfeld, Director of Administrative Services, Agency of  
Agriculture, Food and Markets

Damien Leonard, Legislative Counsel, Office of Legislative Counsel

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## Tuesday, May 7, 2019

### Meeting Details

**Hearing  
Type**      Standard

### Meeting Record

**9:00 AM      S.131 - An act relating to insurance and securities**

*House Ways and Means Amendment*

Rep. Scott Beck, Reporter

Jill Rickard, Director of Policy, Department of Financial Regulation

**10:00 AM      House Floor and Caucus**

**12:00 PM      Lunch**

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# Wednesday, May 8, 2019

## Meeting Details

<b>Hearing Type</b>	Standard
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## Meeting Record

<b>9:00 AM</b>	<b>S.131 - An act relating to insurance and securities</b>
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*Amendment*

Maria Royle, Legislative Counsel, Office of Legislative Counsel

<b>9:15 AM</b>	<b>S.108 - An act relating to employee misclassification</b>
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Dirk Anderson, General Counsel, Department of Labor

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

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

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

<b>10:30 AM</b>	<b>House Floor</b>
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<b>12:00 PM</b>	<b>Lunch</b>
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<b>1:00 PM</b>	<b>S.162 - An act relating to promoting economic development</b>
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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

**4:30 PM**      **House Floor**

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## Thursday, May 9, 2019

### Meeting Details

**Hearing  
Type**      Standard

### Meeting Record

**9:00 AM**      **S.162 - An act relating to promoting economic development**

*Mark-up*

David Hall, Legislative Counsel, Office of Legislative Counsel

**10:00 AM**      **S.110 - An act relating to data privacy and consumer protection**

*Mark-up*

David Hall, Legislative Counsel, Office of Legislative Counsel

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

Maggie Lenz, Lobbyist, FaceBook

Sara Teachout, Director, Government, Public and Media Relations,  
Blue Cross/Blue Shield of Vermont

**12:20 PM**      **S.108 - An act relating to employee misclassification**

*Mark-up*

Damien Leonard, Legislative Counsel, Office of Legislative Counsel

David Mickenberg, Lobbyist, Vermont Association for Justice

**1:00 PM      House Floor**

**4:00 PM      S.108 - An act relating to employee misclassification**

Dirk Anderson, General Counsel, Department of Labor

Damien Leonard, Legislative Counsel, Office of Legislative Counsel

David Mickenberg, Lobbyist, Working Vermont

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

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## Friday, May 10, 2019

### Meeting Details

<b>Hearing Type</b>	Standard
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### Meeting Record

**9:00 AM      Committee Discussion**

**9:30 AM      House Floor**

**12:00 PM      Lunch**

**2:00 PM      H.533 - An act relating to workforce development**

David Hall, Legislative Counsel, Office of Legislative Counsel

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## Monday, May 13, 2019

## Meeting Details

<b>Hearing Type</b>	Standard
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## Meeting Record

<b>3:00 PM</b>	<b>FLOOR</b>
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## Tuesday, May 14, 2019

### Meeting Details

<b>Hearing Type</b>	Standard
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### Meeting Record

<b>9:00 AM</b>	<b>S.163 - An act relating to housing safety and rehabilitation</b>
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*Sections 8 to 11*

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

Rep. Mark Higley, Lowell

<b>10:00 AM</b>	<b>S.37 - An act relating to medical monitoring</b>
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Matthew Chapman, General Counsel, Agency of Natural Resources

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

Rep. Martin LaLonde

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

Jill Rickard, Director of Policy, Department of Financial Regulation

Michael Schirling, Secretary, Agency of Commerce and Community  
Development

Peter Walke, Deputy Secretary, Agency of Natural Resources

**2:30 PM      S.37 - An act relating to medical monitoring**

*Testimony continued*

Rep. Martin LaLonde

Jill Rickard, Director of Policy, Department of Financial Regulation

**3:00 PM      FLOOR**

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## Wednesday, May 15, 2019

### Meeting Details

<b>Hearing Type</b>	Standard
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### Meeting Record

**9:00 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

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

Ward Smyth, President, Turtle Creek Builders

**10:00 AM FLOOR**

**4:00 PM S.131 - An act relating to insurance and securities**

*Proposed Amendment*

Jill Rickard, Director of Policy, Department of Financial Regulation

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## Thursday, May 16, 2019

### Meeting Details

<b>Hearing Type</b>	Standard
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### Meeting Record

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

*Committee of Conference, Room 27*

**9:30 AM FLOOR**

**12:30 PM FLOOR**

**3:00 PM H.533 - An act relating to workforce development**

*Conference of Committee, Room 27*

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## Friday, May 17, 2019

### Meeting Details

<b>Hearing Type</b>	Standard
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#### Meeting Record

<b>9:30 AM</b>	<b>FLOOR</b>
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<b>10:45 AM</b>	<b>S.162 - An act relating to promoting economic development</b>
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*Appropriations Amendment*

Rep. Linda K. Myers

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## Wednesday, May 22, 2019

#### Meeting Details

<b>Hearing Type</b>	Standard
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#### Meeting Record

- **H.351 - An act relating to workers' compensation, unemployment insurance, and ski tramway amendments**

*Committee discussion*

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## Tuesday, January 7, 2020

#### Meeting Details

<b>Hearing Type</b>	Standard
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## Meeting Record

### 9:00 AM Committee Discussion

*Welcome, introductions, and reconnect*

### 10:00 AM FLOOR

### 15 Min after Floor Caucuses

### 12:00 PM Lunch

### 1:00 PM Government Accountability Committee

*Training on the use of data when looking at legislation*

Emilie Kornheiser, Representative, Government Accountability  
Data Training

### 4:00 PM Adjourn

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## Wednesday, January 8, 2020

### Meeting Details

Hearing  
Type Standard

### Meeting Record

### 9:00 AM H.606 - An act relating to regulating storage units

*Proposed legislation concerning storage units*

Daniel Bryant, Legal and Legislative Counsel, Self Storage  
Association



Chris D'Elia, President, Vermont Bankers' Association  
Jamie Feehan, Lobbyist, Self Storage Association  
David Hall, Legislative Counsel, Office of Legislative Counsel

**12:00 PM**      **Lunch**

**1:00 PM**      **FLOOR**

**15 min after**      **H.643 - An act relating to banking and insurance**  
**Floor**

*Walk through*

Michael Pieciak, Commissioner, Department of Financial  
Regulation

Jill Rickard, Director of Policy, Department of Financial Regulation

**4:00 PM**      **Adjourn**

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## Thursday, January 9, 2020

### Meeting Details

**Hearing**      Standard  
**Type**

### Meeting Record

**9:00 AM**      **National Council on Compensation Insurance**

*At Capitol Plaza*

**11:00 AM**      **Lunch**

**1:00 PM FLOOR**

**2:00 PM Governor's State of the State Address**

*Joint Assembly- House Chamber*

**5 min after  
adjournment Governor's FY2020 Proposed Budget Adjustment**  
Rep Linda Myers

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## Friday, January 10, 2020

### Meeting Details

**Hearing  
Type** Standard

### Meeting Record

**9:00 AM Committee Discussion**

**9:30 AM FLOOR**

**15 Min after  
Floor Committee Discussion**  
*TBA*

**12:00 PM Lunch**

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## Tuesday, January 14, 2020

### Meeting Details

<b>Hearing Type</b>	Standard
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## Meeting Record

<b>9:00 AM</b>	<b>H.606 - An act relating to regulating storage units</b>
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Joe Doherty, SVP, Chief Legal & Legislative Officer, Self Storage Association

Jamie Feehan, Lobbyist, Self Storage Association

Michael Riva, VT Storage Facility Owner

<b>10:00 AM</b>	<b>FLOOR</b>
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<b>15 Min after Floor</b>	<b>Caucuses</b>
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<b>12:00 PM</b>	<b>Lunch</b>
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<b>1:00 PM</b>	<b>H.606 - An act relating to regulating storage units</b>
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Bill Baron, Owner, Island Mini Storage

Charity Clark, Chief of Staff, Attorney General's Office

James Feehan, Lobbyist, Self Storage Association

Wendy Morgan, Staff Attorney, Vermont Legal Aid

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## Wednesday, January 15, 2020

### Meeting Details

<b>Hearing Type</b>	Standard
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## Meeting Record

### 9:00 AM Vermont Tourism Day

*Room 11*

Paul Brown, Co-owner, Cold Hollow Cider Mill, Waterbury

Willie Docto, Co-owner, Moose Meadow Lodge

Jody Fried, Executive Director, Catamount Arts Council

Kim Jackson, Public Relations, Communications, Marketing & Storytelling, Vermont Adaptive Ski and Sports

Elizabeth Kennett, Owner, Liberty Hill Farm, Liberty Hill Farm

Scott Kerner, Co-owner, Good Measure Brewing

Brian Maggiotta, Owner, The Inn at Manchester

Rachel Vandenberg, Owner, Sun and Ski & Stowe Bowl

Steve Wright, President & General Manager, Jay Peak Resort

### 1:00 PM Green Mountain Care Board

*Panel Discussion on Workforce.*

*Pavilion Board Room.*

### 3:30 PM TBA

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## Thursday, January 16, 2020

### Meeting Details

Hearing Type	Standard
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### Meeting Record

### 9:00 AM H.643 - An act relating to banking and insurance

*H.643 (formerly 20-0157)*

Jill Rickard, Director of Policy, Department of Financial Regulation  
Maria Royle, Legislative Counsel, Office of Legislative Counsel

**9:30 AM      H.606 - An act relating to regulating storage units**

*Committee Discussion*

**10:45 AM      H.643 - An act relating to banking and insurance**

*Continued Discussion*

Chris Delia, President, Vermont Bankers' Association  
Jamie Feehan, Lobbyist, American Property and Casualty  
Insurance Association

**11:20 AM      Associated General Contractors of Vermont**

*Workforce Development*

John Connor, Vice President, Connor Contracting, Inc.  
Sam Markowski, Markowski Excavating, Inc.  
Matt Musgrove, Deputy Executive VP, Associated General  
Contractors of Vermont  
Roth Perry, President, Courtland Construction

**11:55 AM      H.643 - An act relating to banking and insurance**

*Committee Discussion.*

*Vote.*

Chris Delia, President, Vermont Bankers' Association  
Jamie Feehan, Lobbyist, American Property and Casualty  
Insurance Association  
Maria Royle, Legislative Counsel, Office of Legislative Counsel

**12:10 PM      Lunch**

**1:00 PM      FLOOR**

**10 Min after  
Floor**

**H.1 - An act relating to agreements not to compete**

Anne Barrett, Owner, Anne Barrett Creative

Stephen Ellis, Chair, Labor and Employment Law Section, Vermont  
Bar Association

Iris Sunj, Co-owner, Salon Vermont

Alexandra Vitale, Tour Manager, Discovery Bicycle Tours

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## **Friday, January 17, 2020**

### **Meeting Details**

**Hearing  
Type**      Standard

### **Meeting Record**

**9:00 AM      Committee Discussion**

**9:30 AM      FLOOR**

**10 Min after  
Floor**

**H.1 - An act relating to agreements not to compete**

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

Mark Heyman, General Counsel, Vermont Technology Alliance

Charles Martin, Government Affairs Director, VT Chamber of  
Commerce

**12:00 PM      Lunch**

**1:00 PM      H.1 - An act relating to agreements not to compete**

Richard Cassidy, Attorney, Rich Cassidy Law

John Franco, Attorney, John Franco Law

**2:00 PM      H.1 - An act relating to agreements not to compete**

*Walk through Draft No. 2.1*

Damien Leonard, Legislative Counsel, Office of Legislative Counsel

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## Tuesday, January 21, 2020

### Meeting Details

<b>Hearing Type</b>	Standard
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### Meeting Record

**9:15 AM      H.606 - An act relating to regulating storage units**

Joe Doherty, SVP, Chief Legal & Legislative Officer, Self Storage Association

Jamie Feehan, Lobbyist, Self Storage Association

David Hall, Legislative Counsel, Office of Legislative Counsel

**10:00 AM      FLOOR**

**15 Min after  
Floor      Caucuses**

**12:00 PM      Lunch**

**2:00 PM      Governor's Proposed FY 2021 Budget Address**

**15 Min after  
Proposed  
Budget  
Address**

**Committee Discussion**

*Tourism & Marketing*

Heather Pelham, Chief Marketing Officer, Agency of Commerce  
and Community Development

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## **Wednesday, January 22, 2020**

### **Meeting Details**

**Hearing  
Type**

Standard

### **Meeting Record**

**9:00 AM**

**H.738 - An act relating to imposing an occupancy fee to fund  
tourism marketing and affordable housing**

Daniel Dickerson, Fiscal Analyst, Joint Fiscal Office  
Abby Shepard, Legislative Counsel, Office of Legislative Counsel  
Rep. David Yacovone, Sponsor, House Committee on  
Appropriations

**9:30 AM**

**H.705 - An act relating to promoting tourism and marketing**

David Hall, Legislative Counsel, Office of Legislative Counsel  
Rep. Heidi E. Scheuermann, Sponsor

**10:00 AM**

**Committee Discussion**

*Tourism & Marketing*

Heather Pelham, Chief Marketing Officer, Agency of Commerce  
and Community Development



**10:30 AM      Break**

**10:45 AM      Committee Discussion**

*Tourism and Marketing Continued*

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

Karen Fahey, Owner, Karen Fahey Associates

**12:00 PM      Lunch**

**1:00 PM      FLOOR**

**15 Min after  
Floor      Committee Discussion**

*Tourism & Marketing*

Amy Spear, VP of Tourism, Vermont Chamber of Commerce

**3:00 PM      Captive Insurance Day**

Ian Davis, Director of Financial Services, Agency of Commerce and  
Community Development

A. Tracy Hassett, President & CEO, Educators Health Insurance  
Exchange of New England

Richard Smith, President, Vermont Captive Insurance Association

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## Thursday, January 23, 2020

### Meeting Details

**Hearing  
Type**      Standard

## Meeting Record

### **9:00 AM      H.1 - An act relating to agreements not to compete**

*Committee Discussion.*

*Possible Vote.*

Damien Leonard, Legislative Counsel, Office of Legislative Counsel

### **10:00 AM      Press Conference**

*Let's Grow Kids.*

*Cedar Creek Room.*

### **11:00 AM      H.606 - An act relating to regulating storage units**

*Committee Discussion.*

*Possible Vote.*

Jamie Feehan, Lobbyist, Self Storage Association

### **12:00 PM      Lunch**

### **1:00 PM      FLOOR**

### **15 Min after      Committee Discussion**

**Floor**

*Business Portal*

Alex Ibey, IT Project Manager, Agency of Digital Services

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

### **4:30 PM      Vermont Employee Ownership Center**

*Cedar Creek Room*

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## Friday, January 24, 2020

### Meeting Details

<b>Hearing Type</b>	Standard
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### Meeting Record

<b>9:00 AM</b>	<b>Reports to Committee Discussion</b>
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Rep. Charles Kimbell, House Committee on Commerce and  
Economic Development

<b>9:30 AM</b>	<b>FLOOR</b>
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<b>10 Min.after Floor</b>	<b>Review of Reports</b>
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<b>12:00 PM</b>	<b>Lunch</b>
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## Tuesday, January 28, 2020

### Meeting Details

<b>Hearing Type</b>	Standard
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### Meeting Record

<b>9:00 AM</b>	<b>NEK Day</b>
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Nolan Atkins, Provost, Northern Vermont University  
Evan Carlson, Entrepreneur in Residence , NVU Do North  
Coworking  
Jody Fried, Executive Director, Catamount Arts Council

Joe Kasprzak, Assistant Town Manager, Town of St.Johnsbury  
Nick Maclure, Broker/Owner, Century 21 Farm & Forest Realty  
Luke Sussdorf, Manager of Special Events, Jay Peak Resort  
Shawn Tester, CEO, Northern Vermont Regional Hospital  
Molly Veysey, Executive Director, Old Stone House Museum

**10:00 AM FLOOR**

**15 Min after  
Floor**      **Caucuses**

**12:00 PM Lunch**

**1:00 PM H.705 - An act relating to promoting tourism and marketing**

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

Doug Hoffer, State Auditor, State Auditor's Office

Ken Jones, Economic Research Analyst, Agency of Commerce and  
Community Development

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

Amy Spear, VP of Tourism, Vermont Chamber of Commerce

James Stewart, Executive Director, Central Vermont Economic  
Development Corporation

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## Wednesday, January 29, 2020

### Meeting Details

**Hearing  
Type**      Standard

## Meeting Record

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### **H.641 - An act relating to promoting technology-based economic development**

#### *Walk-through*

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

David Hall, Legislative Counsel, Office of Legislative Counsel

Brett Long, Deputy Commissioner of Economic Development, Windham County Economic Development Program

Cassie Polhemus, Chief Executive Officer, Vermont Economic Development Authority

Megan Sullivan, Executive Director, Vermont Economic Progress Council

**12:00 PM**

**Lunch**

**1:00 PM**

**FLOOR**

**15 Min after  
Floor**

### **H.705 - An act relating to promoting tourism and marketing**

#### *Committee Discussion*

Tom Kavet, Legislative Economist, Kavet, Rockler & Associates, LLC

**3:00 PM**

**Mercatus Center**

Michael Farren, Research Fellow, Mercatus Center at George Mason University

Kenneth Thomas, Professor Emeritus, University of Missouri - St. Louis

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# Thursday, January 30, 2020

## Meeting Details

<b>Hearing Type</b>	Standard
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## Meeting Record

### **9:00 AM      Agritourism in Vermont**

*Presentation on UVM Extension's work regarding Commerce & Agritourism, and the Second World Congress on Agritourism in VT*

Lisa Chase , Director, Vermont Tourism Research Center

David Hartshorn, Owner, Hartshorn Farm

Dan Lerner, Association Director and Chair, State Office, UVM  
Extension

### **10:30 AM      Workforce Development**

*Press Conference.*

*Governor's Ceremonial Office (Room 23)*

### **11:15 AM      Workforce Development Summit Report Hearing**

*Room 11*

*Joint Committee Meeting with Senate Commerce, Economic  
Development & General Affairs*

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

Dustin Degree, Director Workforce Expansion/Exec Dir. 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

**12:00 PM**      **Lunch**

**1:00 PM**      **FLOOR**

**15 Min after  
Floor**      **Vermont Housing and Conservation Coalition**

Nikitta Caveney, Occupancy Coordinator, Housing Trust of Rutland  
County

Dominic Cloud, City Manager, City of St. Albans

Melissa Disorda, Assistant Project Manager, Housing Trust of  
Rutland County

Lyssa Papazian, Project Manager, Putney Historical Society

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## Friday, January 31, 2020

### Meeting Details

**Hearing  
Type**      Standard

### Meeting Record

**9:00 AM**      **Reports to Committee Discussion**

*Weekly review of reports sent to the Committee.*

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

**9:30 AM**      **FLOOR**

**15 Min after  
Floor**      **H.1 - An act relating to agreements not to compete**

Chris Delia, President, Vermont Bankers' Association

John Hollar, Attorney, Community Financial Services Group  
Damien Leonard, Legislative Counsel, Office of Legislative Counsel  
Charles Martin, Government Affairs Director, VT Chamber of  
Commerce  
Wendy Mays, Executive Director, Vermont Association of  
Broadcasters

**12:00 PM      Lunch**

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## Tuesday, February 4, 2020

### Meeting Details

**Hearing  
Type**      Standard

### Meeting Record

**9:00 AM      H.1 - An act relating to agreements not to compete**

*Mark-up.*

*Vote.*

John Hollar, Attorney, Downs Rachlin Martin  
Damien Leonard, Legislative Counsel, Office of Legislative Counsel  
Wendy Mays, Executive Director, Vermont Association of  
Broadcasters

**10:00 AM      FLOOR**

**15 Min after  
Floor      Caucuses**

**12:00 PM      Lunch**



**1:00 PM**

**H.705 - An act relating to promoting tourism and marketing**

Jody Fried, Executive Director, Catamount Arts Council

Bill Jolley, Professor of Marketing, Norwich University

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

Amy Spear, VP of Tourism, Vermont Chamber of Commerce

James Stewart, Executive Director, Central Vermont Economic  
Development Corporation

**2:30 PM**

**Vermont Agriculture & Food Systems Plan 2020**

Ellen Kahler, Executive Director, Vermont Sustainable Jobs Fund

James Stewart, Executive Director, Central Vermont Economic  
Development Corporation

Abbey Willard, Director, Agricultural Development Division, Agency  
of Agriculture, Food and Markets

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## Wednesday, February 5, 2020

### Meeting Details

**Hearing  
Type**

Standard

### Meeting Record

**9:00 AM**

**H.641 - An act relating to promoting technology-based economic  
development**

*Committee Discussion*

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

**10:30 AM      Break**

**10:45 AM      S.240 - An act relating to recruiting new remote workers and new  
relocating workers**

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

David Hall, Legislative Counsel, Office of Legislative Counsel

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

**12:00 PM      Lunch**

**1:00 PM      FLOOR**

**15 Min after  
Floor      Committee Discussion**

*S.240 Discussion Continued.*

*Review of Appropriations Budget Request*

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

David Hall, Legislative Counsel, Office of Legislative Counsel

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**Thursday, February 6, 2020**

## Meeting Details

**Hearing  
Type** Standard

## Meeting Record

**9:00 AM Vermont Census 2020**

*Room 11.*

*Joint Committee Meeting with the Senate Committee on Commerce  
on Economic Development Housing and General Affairs*

Jeff Behler, Regional Director, NY Regional Census Center

Jason Broughton, State Librarian, Department of Libraries

Michael Moser, Coordinator, UVM Vermont Data Center

**10:15 AM Sec. 8 Nurse Educator Report**

*Committee Discussion*

Lauren Hibbert, Director, Office of Professional Regulation, Office  
of the Secretary of State

Phyllis Mitchell, Executive Director, Vermont State Board of  
Nursing

Kevin Mullin, Chair, Green Mountain Care Board

Laura Pelosi, Lobbyist, Nurse Educator Study Committee

Paulette Thabault, Professor and Director, Norwich University  
School of Nursing

**12:00 PM Lunch**

**1:00 PM FLOOR**

**15 after H.1 - An act relating to agreements not to compete**

**Floor**

*Mark-up.*

*Possible vote.*

**3:02 PM      S.240 - An act relating to recruiting new remote workers and new relocating workers**

*Vote.*

David Hall, Legislative Counsel, Office of Legislative Counsel

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## Friday, February 7, 2020

### Meeting Details

<b>Hearing Type</b>	Standard
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### Meeting Record

<b>9:30 AM</b>	<b>FLOOR</b>
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<b>15 Min after Floor</b>	<b>Committee Adjourned</b> <i>No Committee Business Today Due To Weather.</i>
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## Tuesday, February 11, 2020

### Meeting Details

<b>Hearing Type</b>	Standard
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### Meeting Record

<b>9:00 AM</b>	<b>H.705 - An act relating to promoting tourism and marketing</b>
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David Hall, Legislative Counsel, Office of Legislative Counsel  
Heather Pelham, Commissioner, Department of Tourism and  
Marketing, Agency of Commerce and Community Development

**10:00 AM FLOOR**

**15 Min after  
Floor**      **Caucuses**

**12:00 PM Lunch**

**1:00 PM H.705 - An act relating to promoting tourism and marketing**

*Mark-up.*

*Possible Vote.*

David Hall, Legislative Counsel, Office of Legislative Counsel

**2:00 PM Community and Housing Investment**

*Committee Discussion on H.782, Sections 8-13. Amendments to  
Downtown and Village Center Tax Credits and Sec. 15. Creation of  
Better Places Crowd Grants.*

Richard Amore, Planning & Outreach Manager, Community  
Planning + Revitalization, Housing and Community  
Development, Department of Housing & Community  
Development

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

Liz Gamache, Interim President, Preservation Trust of Vermont

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

Katherine Sims, Director, Northeast Kingdom Collaborative

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# Wednesday, February 12, 2020

## Meeting Details

<b>Hearing Type</b>	Standard
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## Meeting Record

<b>9:00 AM</b>	<b>H.641 - An act relating to promoting technology-based economic development</b>
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*Committee Discussion.*

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

Ryan McDevitt, Chief Executive Officer, Benchmark Space Systems, Inc.

<b>10:20 AM</b>	<b>Break</b>
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<b>10:50 AM</b>	<b>H.641 - An act relating to promoting technology-based economic development</b>
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*Committee Discussion.*

Bob Flint, Executive Director, Springfield Regional Development Corporation

Christopher Gagne, President and Brewmaster, Hermit Thrush Brewery

<b>11:40 AM</b>	<b>H.640 - An act relating to requiring disclosure of information for VEGI incentives</b>
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Rep. Janet Ancel, Chairperson, House Committee on Ways and Means

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

**12:00 PM**      **Lunch**

**1:00 PM**      **FLOOR**

**10 Min after  
Floor**

**Vermont Student Assistance Corporation**

Scott Giles, President, Vermont Student Assistance Corporation

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

Beth Pearce, State Treasurer, Office of the State Treasurer

Mike Stuart, Vice President, Chief Financial Officer, and Assistant  
Secretary, Vermont Student Assistance Corporation

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## Thursday, February 13, 2020

### Meeting Details

**Hearing  
Type**      Standard

### Meeting Record

**9:00 AM**      **Workforce Development**

*Committee Discussion regarding H.703, H.704, and H.707*

Heather Bouchey, Deputy Secretary, Agency of Education

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

**10:39 AM**      **Break**

**11:05 AM      Workforce Development**

*Continued Committee Discussion.*

Andrew Brewer, Former Owner, Onion River Sports

Rep. William Canfield, Fair Haven

Tom Cheney, Director, Advance Vermont

Matt Cropp, Co-Executive Director, Vermont Employee Ownership  
Center

Don Jamison, Co-Executive Director, Vermont Employee  
Ownership Center

Michele Kupersmith, Former State Legislator and Program and  
Outreach Coordinator, Vermont Employee Ownership Center

**12:00 PM      Lunch**

**1:00 PM      FLOOR**

**10 Min after      Workforce Development**  
**Floor**

*Committee Discussion.*

Tom Cheney, Director, Advance Vermont

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## Friday, February 14, 2020

### Meeting Details

<b>Hearing Type</b>	Standard
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### Meeting Record

<b>9:00 AM</b>	<b>Review of Reports</b>
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Rep. Charles Kimbell, House Committee on Commerce and  
Economic Development

**9:30 AM FLOOR**

**10 Min after  
Floor Early Childhood Care, Education and Workforce**

Aly Richards, Chief Executive Officer, Let's Grow Kids  
Michael Seaver, Vermont President, People's United Bank  
Lisa Ventriss, President, Vermont Business Roundtable

**12:00 PM Lunch**

**1:00 PM Early Childhood Care, Education and Workforce**

*Committee Discussion Continued.*

Michelle Faust, Executive Director, Northeast Kingdom Learning  
Services, Inc.  
Bob Haynes, Executive Director, Green Mountain Economic  
Development  
Trey Martin, Lobbyist, Let's Grow Kids  
Sonja Raymond, Executive Director, Vermont Association for the  
Education for Young Children

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**Tuesday, February 18, 2020**

**Meeting Details**

**Hearing  
Type** Standard

**Meeting Record**

**9:00 AM Governor's FY2021 Proposed Budget**

*Review of Appropriations Requests.*

David Hall, Legislative Counsel, Office of Legislative Counsel

**10:00 AM FLOOR**

**15 after  
Floor      Caucuses**

**12:00 PM Lunch**

**1:00 PM Governor's FY2021 Proposed Budget**

Kathryn Baudreau, Director, Financial Futures Program, Champlain Valley Office of Economic Opportunity

Nermina Beslagic, Micro-Business Participant, A Cut Above

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

Karen Lafayette, Lobbyist, Vermont Low Income Advocacy Council

Sue Minter, Executive Director, Capstone Community Action

Amy Robinson, Program Director, MBDP and IDA, NEKCA

**2:30 PM Governor's FY2021 Proposed Budget**

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

Michael Harrington, Acting Commissioner, Department of Labor

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

**- Adjourn**

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# Wednesday, February 19, 2020

## Meeting Details

<b>Hearing Type</b>	Standard
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## Meeting Record

<b>9:00 AM</b>	<b>Governor's FY2021 Proposed Budget</b>
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Laura Ginsburg, Agricultural Development Section Chief, Agency of Agriculture, Food and Markets

Clay Purvis, Director of Telecommunications and Connectivity, Department of Public Service

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

<b>10:00 AM</b>	<b>Governor's FY2021 Proposed Budget</b>
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Chris Cochran, Director of Community Planning & Revitalization, Housing and Community Development

Josh Hanford, Commissioner, Department of Housing and Community Development

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

<b>11:45 PM</b>	<b>Lunch</b>
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<b>1:00 PM</b>	<b>FLOOR</b>
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<b>10 Min after Floor</b>	<b>Governor's FY2021 Proposed Budget</b>
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Marilyn Cargill, Vice President, Financial Aid Services, Marketing and Research, Vermont Student Assistance Corporation

Scott Giles, President, Vermont Student Assistance Corporation

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

Ken Gragg, Deputy Adjutant General, Vermont National Guard

**3:30 PM Governor's FY2021 Proposed Budget**

Joyce Judy, President, Community College of Vermont

Pat Moulton , President, Vermont Technical College

Yasmine Ziesler, Chief Academic Officer, Vermont State Colleges  
System

- **Adjourn**

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## Thursday, February 20, 2020

### Meeting Details

<b>Hearing Type</b>	Standard
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### Meeting Record

**9:00 AM Governor's FY2021 Proposed Budget**

Arne Bomblies, Vermont State Director and Assistant Professor,  
Vermont EPSCoR, UVM

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

Ryan McDevitt, Chief Executive Officer, Benchmark Space  
Systems, Inc., UVM

**10:30 AM Election of Legislative Trustees of the Vermont State Colleges  
Corporation**

*Joint Assembly.*

<b>10 Min after Joint Assembly</b>	<b>Governor's FY2021 Proposed Budget</b>  Ted Brady, Deputy Secretary, Agency of Commerce and Community Development  Tom Cheney, Director, Advance Vermont
<b>12:00 PM</b>	<b>Lunch</b>
<b>1:00 PM</b>	<b>FLOOR</b>
<b>-</b>	<b>Adjourn</b>

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## Friday, February 21, 2020

### Meeting Details

<b>Hearing Type</b>	Standard
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### Meeting Record

<b>9:00 AM</b>	<b>Review of Reports</b>  Rep. Charles Kimbell, House Committee on Commerce and Economic Development
<b>9:30 AM</b>	<b>FLOOR</b>
<b>10 Min after Floor</b>	<b>Governor's FY2021 Budget Address</b>  Jeff Lawson, Executive Director, Vermont Convention Bureau

- **Review of Reports**

*Committee Discussion Continued.*

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

**12:00 PM**      **Lunch**

**1:00 PM**      **Governor's FY2021 Proposed Budget**

David Bradbury, VCET President, Vermont Center for Emerging  
Technologies

Karen Taylor Mitchell, Executive Director, Governor's Institutes of  
Vermont

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## Tuesday, February 25, 2020

### Meeting Details

**Hearing  
Type**      Standard

### Meeting Record

**9:00 AM**      **Governor's FY2021 Proposed Budget**

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

**10:00 AM**      **FLOOR**

**15 after  
Floor**      **Caucuses**

**12:00 PM**      **Lunch**

**1:00 PM**      **Jay Craven Film**

*Committee Discussion.*

Jay Craven, Director, Writer & Producer, Kingdom County  
Productions

Holly Groschner, President and CEO, Vermont Public Television

Elaine Haney, Project Manager, Think Vermont and the Agency of  
Commerce and Community Development

Christopher Ilstrup, Executive Director, Vermont Humanities  
Council

**2:30 PM**      **Governor's FY2021 Proposed Budget**

*Committee Discussion.*

David Hall, Legislative Counsel, Office of Legislative Counsel

-      **Adjourn**

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## Wednesday, February 26, 2020

### Meeting Details

**Hearing  
Type**      Standard

### Meeting Record

**9:00 AM**      **Habitat for Humanity**

Steve Ingram, Board Member, Addison County Habitat for  
Humanity

Susan Sommer, Executive Director, Bennington County Habitat for Humanity

**9:30 AM      H.640 - An act relating to requiring disclosure of information for VEGI incentives**

David Hall, Legislative Counsel, Office of Legislative Counsel

Fred Kenney, Executive Director, Addison County Economic Development Corporation

Megan Sullivan, Executive Director, Vermont Economic Progress Council

**-      H.641 - An act relating to promoting technology-based economic development**

**10:50 AM      Break**

**11:00 AM      Meeting with University of Vermont President**

Suresh Garimella, President, University of Vermont

**12:00 PM      Lunch**

**1:00 PM      FLOOR**

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## Thursday, February 27, 2020

### Meeting Details

**Hearing  
Type**      Standard

### Meeting Record



**9:00 AM      H.595 - An act relating to regulating the use of facial recognition technology**

*Committee Discussion.*

Charity Clark, Chief of Staff, Attorney General's Office

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

Michael Ly, CEO, Reconciled

Rep. Barbara Rachelson, Sponsor

**10:00 AM      S.54 - An act relating to the regulation of cannabis**

Rep. Cynthia Browning, Sponsor

David Hall, Legislative Counsel, Office of Legislative Counsel

**-      H.642 - An act relating to tax increment project development financing**

Russ Bennett, Owner of Northland Construction, Camp Meade

Douglas Farnham, Director of Policy and Tax Department

Economist, Department of Taxes

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

Seth Jenson, Planning Commissioner, Town of Westford

Thomas Kennedy, Executive Director, Southern Windsor County  
Regional Planning Commission

Rebecca Wasserman, Legislative Counsel, Office of Legislative  
Counsel

**12:00 PM      Lunch**

**1:00 PM      FLOOR**

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# Friday, February 28, 2020

## Meeting Details

<b>Hearing Type</b>	Standard
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## Meeting Record

### **9:00 AM      Review of Appropriations Budget Request**

Joan Goldstein, Commissioner, Department of Economic  
Development, Agency of Commerce and Community  
Development  
Rep. Charles Kimbell

### **9:30 AM      FLOOR**

### **12:00 PM      Lunch**

### **1:00 PM      Early Childhood Care, Education and Workforce**

Cindy Cisneros, Vice President of Education Programs, Committee  
for Economic Development  
Sarah Kenney, Senior Director of Policy, Let's Grow Kids  
Trey Martin, General Counsel, Let's Grow Kids  
Caitlin McLean, Workforce Research Specialist, Center for the  
Study of Child Care Employment  
Grace Reef, President, Early Learning Policy Group, LLC

-      **Adjourn**

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# Tuesday, March 10, 2020

## Meeting Details

**Hearing  
Type**      Standard

**Meeting Record**

**9:00 AM      H.550 - An act relating to unclaimed property**

Luke Martland, Director and Chief Counsel, Office of Legislative  
Counsel

Beth Pearce, State Treasurer, Office of the State Treasurer

Charles Storrow, Lobbyist, Visa, Inc.

Senator Jeanette K. White

**10:00 AM      FLOOR**

**10 min after  
Floor      Caucuses**

**12:00 PM      Lunch**

**1:00 PM      H.595 - An act relating to regulating the use of facial recognition  
technology**

*Committee Discussion.*

Charity Clark, Chief of Staff, Attorney General's Office

David Hall, Legislative Counsel, Office of Legislative Counsel

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

**2:00 PM      H.642 - An act relating to tax increment project development  
financing**

*Committee Discussion.*

James Stewart, Executive Director, Central Vermont Economic  
Development Corporation

Megan Sullivan, Executive Director, Vermont Economic Progress Council  
Rebecca Wasserman, Legislative Counsel, Office of Legislative Counsel

**3:00 PM      H.631 - An act relating to miscellaneous workers' compensation amendments**

*Committee Discussion.*

Rep. Matthew Hill, Sponsor, Wolcott  
Damien Leonard, Legislative Counsel, Office of Legislative Counsel  
Kelly Massicotte, Attorney, Biggam Fox Skinner

**-      H.917 - An act relating to expanding workers' compensation coverage for firefighters with cancer**

Rep. Scott Beck, Sponsor  
Christopher Dube, Member, Professional Firefighters of Vermont  
Damien Leonard, Legislative Counsel, Office of Legislative Counsel  
David Mickenberg, Lobbyist, Working Vermont  
Jill Rickard, Director of Policy, Department of Financial Regulation

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## Wednesday, March 11, 2020

### Meeting Details

<b>Hearing Type</b>	Standard
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### Meeting Record

<b>9:00 AM</b>	<b>H.734 - An act relating to prohibiting certain provisions in dental insurance contracts with dentists</b>
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Jennifer Carbee, Deputy Chief Counsel, Office of Legislative  
Counsel

James Feehan, Lobbyist, Vermont State Dental Society

**10:00 AM      Break**

**10:10 AM      H.846 - An act relating to exempting military retirement pay from  
Vermont's personal income tax and recruiting military veterans**

Hugh Bradshaw, Assistant Director, Workforce Development  
Division, Department of Labor

Robert Burke, Director, Vermont Office of Veteran Affairs

Michael Choquette, Chief of Staff, Navy, Veterans of Foreign Wars -  
Department of Vermont

Brenda Cruickshank, Legislative Liaison, Governor's Veterans  
Advisory Council

Larry Forsythe, Veteran's Coordinator, Vermont Department of  
Labor

Charles Martin, Government Affairs Director, VT Chamber of  
Commerce

Rep. Daniel Noyes, Sponsor

Rep. Woodman Page

**11:10 AM      H.703 - An act relating to creating a workforce development  
provider portal**

Tom Cheney, Director, Advance Vermont

Michael Harrington, Acting Commissioner, Department of Labor

John Quinn, Secretary, Agency of Digital Services

**12:00 PM      Lunch**

**1:00 PM      FLOOR**

**after floor**      **H.307 - An act relating to strict liability for damages caused by domestic dogs**

*Committee Review*

Jamie Feehan, Lobbyist, Vermont Public Transportation Association

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

Brynn Hare, Legislative Counsel, Office of Legislative Counsel

-      **H.703 - An act relating to creating a workforce development provider portal**

David Hall, Legislative Counsel, Office of Legislative Counsel

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## Thursday, March 12, 2020

### Meeting Details

<b>Hearing Type</b>	Standard
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### Meeting Record

<b>9:00 AM</b>	<b>H.681 - An act relating to government operations in response to the COVID-19 outbreak</b>
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*Committee Discussion.*

*Mark-up.*

*Possible Vote.*

Damien Leonard, Legislative Counsel, Office of Legislative Counsel

<b>10:00 AM</b>	<b>H.681 - An act relating to government operations in response to the COVID-19 outbreak</b>
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Michael Harrington, Acting Commissioner, Department of Labor  
Cameron Wood, Director, Unemployment Insurance Division,  
Department of Labor

**11:00 AM      H.641 - An act relating to promoting technology-based economic development**

*Committee Discussion.*

*Mark-up.*

*Possible Vote.*

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

Kyle Clark, Founder, Team Member, Beta Technologies

Paul Hines, Co-Founder, CEO, Packetized Energy

Adam Knudsen, President, Dynapower

**12:00 PM      Lunch**

**1:00 PM      FLOOR**

**10 Min after      H.642 - An act relating to tax increment project development  
Floor      financing**

*Committee Discussion.*

*Mark-up.*

*Possible Vote.*

Megan Sullivan, Executive Director, Vermont Economic Progress  
Council

Rebecca Wasserman, Legislative Counsel, Office of Legislative  
Counsel

**-      H.641 - An act relating to promoting technology-based economic development**

*Possible Evening Committee Discussion.*

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## Friday, March 13, 2020

### Meeting Details

<b>Hearing Type</b>	Standard
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### Meeting Record

<b>9:00 AM</b>	<b>H.631 - An act relating to miscellaneous workers' compensation amendments</b>
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Dirk Anderson, General Counsel, Department of Labor

<b>9:30 AM</b>	<b>FLOOR</b>
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<b>10:00 AM</b>	<b>COVID-19 Committee Discusssion</b>
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Chris D'Elia, President, Vermont Bankers' Association  
Adam Necrason, Lobbyist, Association of Vermont Credit Unions  
Jessica Oski, Lobbyist, Association of Vermont Credit Unions  
Beth Pearce, State Treasurer, Office of the State Treasurer  
Cassie Polhemus, Chief Executive Officer, Vermont Economic  
Development Authority

<b>10 min after Floor</b>	<b>H.703 - An act relating to creating a workforce development provider portal</b>
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*Committee Discussion and Possible Vote*

David Hall, Legislative Counsel, Office of Legislative Counsel

<b>-</b>	<b>H.641 - An act relating to promoting technology-based economic development</b>
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*Committee Discussion and Possible Vote*

David Hall, Legislative Counsel, Office of Legislative Counsel

Damien Leonard, Legislative Counsel, Office of Legislative Counsel

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## Tuesday, March 24, 2020

### Meeting Details

<b>Hearing Type</b>	Standard
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### Meeting Record

<b>12:00 PM</b>	<b>H.641 - An act relating to promoting technology-based economic development</b>
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Richard Amore, Department of Housing & Community Development

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

David Hall, Legislative Counsel, Office of Legislative Counsel

Cassie Polhemus, Chief Executive Officer, Vermont Economic Development Authority

Megan Sullivan, Executive Director, Vermont Economic Progress Council

<b>2:20 PM</b>	<b>Break</b>
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<b>2:30 PM</b>	<b>S.255 - An act relating to captive insurance</b>
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James Feehan, Lobbyist, Captive Insurance

David Provost, Deputy Commissioner, Captive Insurance Division,  
Department of Financial Regulation

Richard Smith, President, Vermont Captive Insurance Association

- **Adjourn**

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## Wednesday, March 25, 2020

### Meeting Details

<b>Hearing Type</b>	Standard
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### Meeting Record

**9:30 AM**      **H.641 - An act relating to promoting technology-based economic development**

*Committee Discussion*

David Hall, Legislative Counsel, Office of Legislative Counsel

**10:30 AM**      **S.255 - An act relating to captive insurance**

*Committee Discussion.*

Maria Royle, Legislative Counsel, Office of Legislative Counsel

- **Adjourn**

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*<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCCzrAG4uj66EMBP8C2mwQPA/video?sort=dd&flow=list>*

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## Wednesday, April 1, 2020

### Meeting Details

**Hearing  
Type** Standard

**Meeting Record**

**9:30 AM**      **Grid Optimization Memo to House Committee on Energy and Technology**

David Hall, Legislative Counsel, Office of Legislative Counsel

**9:45 AM**      **COVID-19 Committee Discusssion**

Chris D'Elia, President, Vermont Bankers' Association

**10:30 AM**      **COVID-19 Committee Discusssion**

Michael Harrington, Acting Commissioner, Department of Labor

**11:30 AM**      **Break**

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

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

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

Charles Martin, Government Affairs Director, VT Chamber of  
Commerce

Erin Sigrist, President, Vermont Retail & Grocers Association

**4:00 PM**      **Adjourn**

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**Thursday, April 9, 2020**

**Meeting Details**

**Hearing  
Type**      Standard

**Meeting Record**

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

*Early Child Care Issues and opportunities.*

Trey Martin, General Counsel, Let's Grow Kids

Aly Richards, Chief Executive Officer, Let's Grow Kids

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

*VBSR Businesses. Issues and needs.*

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

**11:30 AM      Break**

**12:30 PM      Covid 19 Response Committee Discussion**

*Issues and needs.*

Chris Delia, President, Vermont Bankers' Association

Bill Driscoll, Vice President, Associated Industries of Vermont

Adam Grinold, Executive Director, Brattleboro Development Credit  
Corporation

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

Bob Zider, Director and CEO, Vermont Manufacturing and  
Extension Center

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**Thursday, April 16, 2020**

## Meeting Details

<b>Hearing Type</b>	Standard
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## Meeting Record

<b>9:00 AM</b>	<b>Covid-19 Response Committee Discussion</b>
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*Issues and Needs.*

Chris D'Elia, President, Vermont Bankers' Association

Bill Driscoll, Vice President, Associated Industries of Vermont

Patricia Giavara, Assistant Director and Innovation Engineering

Black Belt, Vermont Manufacturing and Extension Center

Adam Grinold, Executive Director, Brattleboro Development Credit Corporation

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

Bob Zider, Director and CEO, Vermont Manufacturing and Extension Center

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## Friday, April 17, 2020

### Meeting Details

<b>Hearing Type</b>	Standard
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### Meeting Record

<b>10:00 AM</b>	<b>Joint Committee Meeting with Senate Economic Development, Housing and General Affairs</b>
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*Unemployment Insurance Legislation Discussion.*

*This meeting will be live streamed on the Senate Economic*

*Development, Housing and General Affairs YouTube Channel,  
<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCUQtWLiQcA8Xh0xWMvRMmw/featured>  
view=57*

**12:00 PM      S.341 - An act relating to disclosure of tax information to facilitate the provision of Pandemic Unemployment Assistance benefits**

*Joint Session with Senate Economic Development, Housing and General Affairs.*

*Unemployment Assistance Tax Information Authorization*

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## **Wednesday, April 22, 2020**

### **Meeting Details**

<b>Hearing Type</b>	Standard
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### **Meeting Record**

<b>3:00 PM</b>	<b>FLOOR</b>
	<i>Optional All House Caucus.</i>

-	<b>Adjourn</b>
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## **Thursday, April 23, 2020**

### **Meeting Details**

<b>Hearing Type</b>	Standard
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## Meeting Record

**9:00 AM**      **S.341 - An act relating to disclosure of tax information to facilitate the provision of Pandemic Unemployment Assistance benefits**

*Committee Discussion.*

Craig Bolio, Commissioner, VT Department of Taxes

Michael Harrington, Acting Commissioner, Department of Labor

**10:00 AM**      **FLOOR**

**12:00 PM**      **S.341 - An act relating to disclosure of tax information to facilitate the provision of Pandemic Unemployment Assistance benefits**

*Vote.*

**12:15 PM**      **Lunch**

**1:00 PM**      **FLOOR**

-      **Adjourn**

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## Friday, April 24, 2020

### Meeting Details

**Hearing  
Type**      Standard

### Meeting Record

**11:00 AM**      **FLOOR**

- **Adjourn**

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## **Tuesday, April 28, 2020**

### **Meeting Details**

<b>Hearing Type</b>	Standard
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### **Meeting Record**

<b>9:00 AM</b>	<b>No Committee Meeting Scheduled</b>
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## **Wednesday, April 29, 2020**

### **Meeting Details**

<b>Hearing Type</b>	Standard
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### **Meeting Record**

<b>9:00 AM</b>	<b>No Committee Meeting Scheduled</b>
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<b>10:30 AM</b>	<b>Caucuses</b>
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<b>12:00 PM</b>	<b>Lunch</b>
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<b>1:00 PM</b>	<b>FLOOR</b>
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## Thursday, April 30, 2020

### Meeting Details

**Hearing  
Type**      Standard

### Meeting Record

**9:00 AM      Committee Discussion of COVID 19 Response**

*Committee Bill # 20-347850 Regarding Manufacturing and Retooling.*

Will Biederman, Founder, Bowles Corporations

Patricia Giavara, Assistant Director and Innovation Engineering  
Black Belt, Vermont Manufacturing and Extension Center

David Hall, Legislative Counsel, Office of Legislative Counsel

Gregg Haythorn, President, Porta-Brace

Lisa Henderson, Director of Client Services, Vermont  
Manufacturing and Extension Center

Brian Werneke, Vice President, Gordon's Window Decor

**11:00 AM      Break**

**12:30 PM      ACCD Updates**

Joan Goldstein, Commissioner, Department of Economic  
Development

Wendy Mays, Executive Director, Vermont Association of  
Broadcasters

**2:30 PM      Adjourn**

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## **Friday, May 1, 2020**

### **Meeting Details**

<b>Hearing Type</b>	Standard
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### **Meeting Record**

<b>9:00 AM</b>	<b>No Committee Meeting Scheduled</b>
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<b>10:00 AM</b>	<b>FLOOR</b>
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<b>12:00 PM</b>	<b>Adjourn</b>
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## **Tuesday, May 5, 2020**

### **Meeting Details**

<b>Hearing Type</b>	Standard
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### **Meeting Record**

<b>9:00 AM</b>	<b>No Committee Meeting Scheduled</b>
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## **Wednesday, May 6, 2020**

## Meeting Details

**Hearing  
Type** Standard

## Meeting Record

**9:00 AM Committee Discussion**

*Review of Sunset Clause of Transportation Bill (23 VSA 754 Subsection B)*

Anthea Dexter-Cooper, Legislative Counsel, Office of Legislative Counsel

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

Joy Hovestadt, Attorney, City of Burlington

Wanda Minoli, Commissioner, Department of Motor Vehicles

Chris Rice, Lobbyist, Uber

Michael Smith, Operations Director, Department of Motor Vehicles

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

*"Penalty Weeks"*

Michael Harrington, Acting Commissioner, Department of Labor

**10:30 AM FLOOR**

*Followed by Full House Caucus.*

**12:00 PM Lunch**

**1:00 PM Full House Caucus**

*Continued From This Morning if Needed.*

**- Adjourn**

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# Thursday, May 7, 2020

## Meeting Details

<b>Hearing Type</b>	Standard
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## Meeting Record

### 9:00 AM Commission Discussion

*Review of Sunset Clause of Transportation Bill (23 VSA 754 Subsection B)*

Anthea Dexter-Cooper, Legislative Counsel, Office of Legislative Counsel

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

Joy Hovestadt, Attorney, City of Burlington

Wanda Minoli, Commissioner, Department of Motor Vehicles

Chris Rice, Lobbyist, Uber

Dylan Zwicky, Lobbyist, Lyft

### 9:30 AM S.346 - An act relating to creating the COVID-19 Essential Employees Hazard Grant Program

Stephanie Barrett, Associate Fiscal Officer, Joint Fiscal Office  
Sen. Jane Kitchel, Sponsor

Damien Leonard, Legislative Counsel, Office of Legislative Counsel  
Rebecca Wasserman, Legislative Counsel, Office of Legislative Counsel

### 11:00 AM Break

**12:30 PM      H.945 - An act relating to creating a COVID-19 Manufacturing Grant Program**

Patricia Giavara, Assistant Director and Innovation Engineering  
Black Belt, Vermont Manufacturing and Extension Center

Joan Goldstein, Commissioner, Department of Economic  
Development

David Hall, Legislative Counsel, Office of Legislative Counsel

**2:30 PM      Adjourn**

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## **Friday, May 8, 2020**

### **Meeting Details**

<b>Hearing Type</b>	Standard
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### **Meeting Record**

**9:00 AM      No Committee Meeting Scheduled**

**10:00 AM      FLOOR**

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## **Tuesday, May 12, 2020**

### **Meeting Details**

<b>Hearing Type</b>	Standard
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## Meeting Record

**10:00 AM**      **S.346 - An act relating to creating the COVID-19 Essential Employees Hazard Grant Program**

*Walk Through.*

Damien Leonard, Legislative Counsel, Office of Legislative Counsel  
Rebecca Wasserman, Legislative Counsel, Office of Legislative Counsel

**12:00 PM**      **Adjourn**

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## Wednesday, May 13, 2020

### Meeting Details

**Hearing Type**      Standard

### Meeting Record

**9:00 AM**      **Committee Discussion of COVID 19 Response**

*Penalty Weeks*

Michael Harrington, Acting Commissioner, Department of Labor  
Damien Leonard, Legislative Counsel, Office of Legislative Counsel  
Cameron Wood, Director, Unemployment Insurance Division,  
Department of Labor

**10:15 AM**      **Break**

**10:30 AM**      **Caucus of the Whole**

**1:00 PM**      **FLOOR**

- **Adjourn**

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## Thursday, May 14, 2020

### Meeting Details

<b>Hearing Type</b>	Standard
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### Meeting Record

<b>9:00 AM</b>	<b>H.945 - An act relating to creating a COVID-19 Manufacturing Grant Program</b>
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Patricia Giavara, Assistant Director and Innovation Engineering  
Black Belt, Vermont Manufacturing and Extension Center

Joan Goldstein, Commissioner, Department of Economic  
Development

Michael Schirling, Commissioner, Department of Public Safety

<b>11:00 AM</b>	<b>Break</b>
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<b>12:30 PM</b>	<b>S.255 - An act relating to captive insurance</b>
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*Vote*

David Provost, Deputy Commissioner, Captive Insurance Division,  
Department of Financial Regulation

Maria Royle, Legislative Counsel, Office of Legislative Counsel

Richard Smith, President, Vermont Captive Insurance Association

<b>12:40 PM</b>	<b>H.641 - An act relating to promoting technology-based economic development</b>
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*Possible Vote.*

Chris Cochran, Director of Community Planning & Revitalization,  
Housing and Community Development  
Joan Goldstein, Commissioner, Department of Economic  
Development  
David Hall, Legislative Counsel, Office of Legislative Counsel  
Megan Sullivan, Executive Director, Vermont Economic Progress  
Council

**1:30 PM      S.346 - An act relating to creating the COVID-19 Essential  
Employees Hazard Grant Program**  
  
Erin Siegrist, President, Vermont Retail & Grocers Association

**2:30 PM      Adjourn**

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## Friday, May 15, 2020

### Meeting Details

<b>Hearing Type</b>	Standard
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### Meeting Record

<b>9:00 AM</b>	<b>No Committee Meeting Scheduled</b>
<b>10:00 AM</b>	<b>FLOOR</b>
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## Tuesday, May 19, 2020



## Meeting Details

**Hearing  
Type** Standard

## Meeting Record

**12:00 PM Joint Committee Meeting with House Committee on Education**

*Trends in Higher Education.*

*This meeting will stream on the House Education YouTube page,  
[https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCbp\\_aMi8\\_P8GgvRGsShRdUA/videos](https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCbp_aMi8_P8GgvRGsShRdUA/videos)  
view=57*

Michael Thomas, President and CEO, New England Board of  
Higher Education

Candace Williams, Director of Policy Research and Strategic  
Initiatives, New England Board of Higher Education

**- Education Finance**

*Funding for FY 21 - Possible Discussion*

Brad James, Education Finance Manager, Agency of Education

Chloe Wexler, Fiscal Data Analyst, Joint Fiscal Office

**3:30 AM All-House Caucus**

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## Wednesday, May 20, 2020

### Meeting Details

**Hearing  
Type** Standard

### Meeting Record

**9:00 AM      Committee Discussion**

*Workers Compensation and COVID-19*

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

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

Bill Driscoll, Vice President, Associated Industries of Vermont

James Feehan, Lobbyist, American Property and Casualty  
Insurance Association

John Hollar, Lobbyist, Vermont Insurance Agents Association

Charles Martin, Government Affairs Director, VT Chamber of  
Commerce

David Mickenberg, Lobbyist, Working Vermont

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

Erin Siegrist, President, Vermont Retail & Grocers Association

**11:00 AM      FLOOR**

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## Thursday, May 21, 2020

### Meeting Details

<b>Hearing Type</b>	Standard
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### Meeting Record

<b>9:00 AM</b>	<b>Joint Committee Meeting with Senate Economic Development, Housing and General Affairs</b>
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*Covid 19 Response Committee Discussion*

Joan Goldstein, Commissioner, Department of Economic  
Development

David Hall, Legislative Counsel, Office of Legislative Counsel

**10:00 AM      Committee Discussion**

Joan Goldstein, Commissioner, Department of Economic  
Development

**11:00 AM      Break**

**12:30 PM      Committee Discussion**

*Discussion regarding Vermont Employment Growth Incentive.*

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

Megan Sullivan, Executive Director, Vermont Economic Progress  
Council

**-      Committee Discussion**

*COVID-19 Impact on Vermont Businesses*

Sue Bette, Founder, Bluebird BBQ

Melissa Corbin, Executive Director, Vermont Brewers Association

Jed Davis, Owner, Farmhouse Group

Allen Van Anda, Co-Founder, Lost Nation Brewing

**2:30 PM      Adjourn**

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**Friday, May 22, 2020**

**Meeting Details**

<b>Hearing Type</b>	Standard
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#### Meeting Record

<b>9:00 AM</b>	<b>No Committee Meeting Scheduled</b>
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<b>10:00 AM</b>	<b>FLOOR</b>
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## Tuesday, May 26, 2020

#### Meeting Details

<b>Hearing Type</b>	Standard
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#### Meeting Record

<b>1:00 PM</b>	<b>Committee Discussion</b>
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*Penalty Weeks Under the Pandemic Unemployment Assistance Program.*

Michael Harrington, Acting Commissioner, Department of Labor  
Damien Leonard, Legislative Counsel, Office of Legislative Counsel  
Cameron Wood, Director, Unemployment Insurance Division,  
Department of Labor

<b>3:00 PM</b>	<b>Break</b>
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<b>3:30 PM</b>	<b>Adjourn</b>
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- **Adjourn**

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## Wednesday, May 27, 2020

### Meeting Details

<b>Hearing Type</b>	Standard
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### Meeting Record

<b>9:00 AM</b>	<b>Commission Discussion</b>
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*COVID Economic Recovery Bill*

Jody Fried, Executive Director, Catamount Arts Council

Christopher Ilstrup, Executive Director, Vermont Humanities  
Council

Sue Minter, Executive Director, Capstone Community Action

Karen Mittelman, Executive Director, Vermont Arts Council

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

<b>10:45 AM</b>	<b>Break</b>
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<b>1:30 PM</b>	<b>FLOOR</b>
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# Thursday, May 28, 2020

## Meeting Details

<b>Hearing Type</b>	Standard
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## Meeting Record

### **9:00 AM      COVID Economic Recovery Bill**

*Walk through with David Hall.*

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

Lindsay Kurrle, Secretary, Agency of Commerce and Community  
Development

### **10:00 AM      Break**

### **1:00 PM      Committee Discussion**

*Penalty Weeks Letter.*

Damien Leonard, Legislative Counsel, Office of Legislative Counsel

### **1:30 PM      Adjourn**

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# Friday, May 29, 2020

## Meeting Details

<b>Hearing Type</b>	Standard
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## Meeting Record

<b>9:30 AM</b>	<b>FLOOR</b>
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<b>2:30 PM</b>	<b>Committee Discussion</b>
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*COVID Economic Recovery Bill*

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

Cassie Polhemus, Chief Executive Officer, Vermont Economic  
Development Authority

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

<b>4:00 PM</b>	<b>Adjourn</b>
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## Tuesday, June 2, 2020

## Meeting Details

<b>Hearing Type</b>	Standard
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## Meeting Record

<b>9:00 AM</b>	<b>Committee Discussion</b>
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*COVID Economic Recovery Bill.*

Craig Bolio, Commissioner, VT Department of Taxes

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

Doug Farnham, Deputy Commissioner, Department of Taxes

Joan Goldstein, Commissioner, Department of Economic  
Development

David Hall, Legislative Counsel, Office of Legislative Counsel

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

**11:00 AM      Break**

**1:00 PM      Committee Discussion**

*COVID Impact.*

Betsy Bishop, President, Vermont Chamber of Commerce

Matt Cropp, Co-Executive Director, Vermont Employee Ownership  
Center

Lynn Green, Four Chimneys Inn

Michele Kupersmith, Former State Legislator and Program and  
Outreach Coordinator, Vermont Employee Ownership Center

Linda Rossi, State Director, VT Small Business Development  
Center

**3:00 PM      Break**

**3:30 PM      All House Caucus**

**4:30 PM      Adjourn**

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# Wednesday, June 3, 2020

## Meeting Details

<b>Hearing Type</b>	Standard
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## Meeting Record

<b>9:00 AM</b>	<b>Committee Discussion</b>
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*Business Portal.*

Chris Delia, President, Vermont Bankers' Association  
Chris Winters, Deputy Secretary, Secretary of State's Office

<b>9:45 AM</b>	<b>Committee Discussion</b>
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*COVID Recovery.*

Bob Flint, Executive Director, Springfield Regional Development Corporation  
Adam Grinold, Executive Director, Brattleboro Development Credit Corporation  
Fred Kenney, Executive Director, Addison County Economic Development Corporation  
David Snedeker, Executive Director, Northeastern Vermont Development Association

<b>10:45 AM</b>	<b>Break</b>
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<b>11:00 AM</b>	<b>FLOOR</b>
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<b>12:00 PM</b>	<b>Break</b>
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<b>2:00 PM</b>	<b>FLOOR</b>
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## Thursday, June 4, 2020

### Meeting Details

<b>Hearing Type</b>	Standard
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### Meeting Record

#### 9:00 AM      **Committee Discussion**

*COVID Impact.*

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

Jim Bradley, President, Home Builders and Remodelers Association

Talena Companion, Owner, Premier Entertainment and Events

Melissa Corbin, Executive Director, Vermont Brewers Association

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

Luke Knapp, Owner, Undercover Tents

Lindsey Leichthammer, President, Vermont Association of Wedding Professionals

Morgan Nichols, State Director, Main Street Alliance of VT

Steve Wright, President & General Manager, Jay Peak Resort

#### 11:00 AM      **Break**

#### 12:30 PM      **Committee Discussion**

*Markup of COVID Economic Recovery Bill.*

**2:30 PM      Adjourn**

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## Friday, June 5, 2020

### Meeting Details

**Hearing  
Type**      Standard

### Meeting Record

**10:00 AM      FLOOR**

**12:00 PM      Break**

**2:30 PM      Committee Discussion**

*Mark-up COVID Economic Recovery Bill.*

Craig Bolio, Commissioner, VT Department of Taxes

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

Bob Flint, Executive Director, Springfield Regional Development  
Corporation

Joan Goldstein, Commissioner, Department of Economic  
Development

David Hall, Legislative Counsel, Office of Legislative Counsel

David Snedeker, Executive Director, Northeastern Vermont  
Development Association

**4:00 PM      Adjourn**

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## Tuesday, June 9, 2020

### Meeting Details

<b>Hearing Type</b>	Standard
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### Meeting Record

<b>9:00 AM</b>	<b>FLOOR</b>
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<b>10:30 AM</b>	<b>Break</b>
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<b>12:30 PM</b>	<b>S.350 - An act relating to creating emergency economic recovery grants</b>
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*Committee Discussion of COVID Recovery Bill.*

Joan Goldstein, Commissioner, Department of Economic  
Development

David Hall, Legislative Counsel, Office of Legislative Counsel

Karen Lafayette, Lobbyist, Vermont Low Income Advocacy Council

Heather Pelham, Commissioner, Department of Tourism and

Marketing, Agency of Commerce and Community Development

Gwen Pokalo, Director, Center for Women & Enterprise

<b>3:30 PM</b>	<b>All House Caucus</b>
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<b>4:30 PM</b>	<b>Adjourn</b>
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## Wednesday, June 10, 2020

### Meeting Details

<b>Hearing Type</b>	Standard
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#### Meeting Record

<b>9:00 AM</b>	<b>S.350 - An act relating to creating emergency economic recovery grants</b>
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*Committee Discussion Regarding COVID Recovery Bill.*

Richard Amore, Department of Housing & Community  
Development

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

<b>11:00 AM</b>	<b>Break</b>
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<b>4:00 PM</b>	<b>Adjourn</b>
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## Thursday, June 11, 2020

#### Meeting Details

<b>Hearing Type</b>	Standard
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#### Meeting Record

<b>9:00 AM</b>	<b>Committee Discussion</b>
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Tiffany Bluemle, Director, Change the Story Vermont

Xusana Davis, Executive Director of Racial Equity, Agency of  
Administration  
Pat Heffernan, Owner, Marketing Partners  
Rep. Emilie Kornheiser, COVID Recovery Fair Jobs Recovery Plan  
Gwen Pokalo, Director, Center for Women & Enterprise

**11:00 AM      Break**

**12:30 PM      Committee Discussion**

David Hall, Legislative Counsel, Office of Legislative Counsel

**2:30 PM      Adjourn**

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## Friday, June 12, 2020

### Meeting Details

<b>Hearing Type</b>	Standard
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### Meeting Record

**10:00 AM      FLOOR**

**12:00 PM      Break**

**3:00 PM      S.350 - An act relating to creating emergency economic recovery grants**

*Committee Discussion and Possible Vote.  
Working Lands Discussion.*

Joan Goldstein, Commissioner, Department of Economic  
Development

Ellen Kahler, Executive Director, Vermont Sustainable Jobs Fund

**4:00 PM      Adjourn**

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## **Tuesday, June 16, 2020**

### **Meeting Details**

<b>Hearing Type</b>	Standard
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### **Meeting Record**

**10:00 AM      FLOOR**

**11:15 AM      Break**

**11:30 AM      Committee Discussion**

*Phase 2 of the COVID Business Recovery.*

*Office of Engagement Discussion at 12:30.*

Suresh Garimella, President, University of Vermont

Tom Kavet, Legislative Economist, Kavet, Rockler & Associates,  
LLC

Wendy Koenig, Federal and State Relations and Legislative  
Liaison, University of Vermont

**1:30 PM      Break**

**3:30 AM      All House Caucus**

**4:30 PM**

**Adjourn**

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## **Wednesday, June 17, 2020**

### **Meeting Details**

**Hearing  
Type**

Standard

### **Meeting Record**

**8:30 AM**

#### **Committee Discussion**

*Phase 2 of COVID Business Recovery.*

Kristin Bogovich , Marketing Director, Spirit of Ethan Allen

Steve Geller, Executive Director, Southeastern Vermont  
Community Action (SEVCA)

Jean Hamilton, Food Security and Marketing Coordinator,  
ShiftMeals and The Skinny Pancake

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

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

Nicole Ravlin , Co-owner, Love Vermont

Lisa Sullivan, Owner, Bartleby's Books

**10:00 AM**

**FLOOR**

**11:15 AM**

**Break**

**12:00 PM**

#### **Committee Discussion**

*Phase 2 of COVID Business Recovery.*



Steve Geller, Executive Director, Southeastern Vermont  
Community Action (SEVCA)  
David Hall, Legislative Counsel, Office of Legislative Counsel  
Jean Hamilton, Food Security and Marketing Coordinator,  
ShiftMeals and The Skinny Pancake  
Gary Holloway, Downtown Program Manager, Agency of  
Commerce and Community Development

**2:00 PM      FLOOR**

**4:00 PM      Adjourn**

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## Thursday, June 18, 2020

### Meeting Details

**Hearing  
Type**      Standard

### Meeting Record

**8:30 AM      Committee Discussion**

*Phase 2 COVID Business Recovery.*

David Hall, Legislative Counsel, Office of Legislative Counsel  
Amy Shollenberger, Lobbyist, Hunger Free Vermont

**10:00 AM      FLOOR**

**11:15 AM      Break**

**12:30 PM      Committee Discussion**

*Phase 2 COVID Business Recovery.*

David Hall, Legislative Counsel, Office of Legislative Counsel

Damien Leonard, Legislative Counsel, Office of Legislative Counsel

**8:15 PM      Adjourn**

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## **Friday, June 19, 2020**

### **Meeting Details**

**Hearing  
Type**      Standard

### **Meeting Record**

**8:00 AM      H.966 - An act relating to COVID-19 funding and assistance for  
broadband connectivity, housing, and economic relief**

*Committee Discussion and Vote.*

Rep. Selene Colburn, Sponsor, Burlington

David Hall, Legislative Counsel, Office of Legislative Counsel

**9:10 AM      Break**

**10:00 AM      FLOOR**

**12:55 PM      Committee Discussion**

*Rep. Colburn's and Szott's Amendments.*

Rep. Selene Colburn, Sponsor, Burlington

Rep. Randall Szott, Sponsor

**2:30 PM      FLOOR**

**-      Adjourn**

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## **Tuesday, June 23, 2020**

### **Meeting Details**

**Hearing  
Type**      Standard

### **Meeting Record**

**10:00 AM      FLOOR**

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

*Committee Discussion.*

Anne Bilodeau, Human Resources Director, Healthcare and Rehab  
Services of Vermont

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

Bill Driscoll, Vice President, Associated Industries of Vermont

Damien Leonard, Legislative Counsel, Office of Legislative Counsel

David Mickenberg, Lobbyist, Working Vermont

Christopher Stark, Regional Vice President, National Association of  
Mutual Insurance Companies

**2:00 PM      FLOOR**

**5:00 PM      Adjourn**

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## Wednesday, June 24, 2020

### Meeting Details

<b>Hearing Type</b>	Standard
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### Meeting Record

<b>8:30 AM</b>	<b>S.342 - An act relating to temporary workers' compensation amendments related to COVID-19</b>
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*Committee Discussion and Vote.*

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

James Feehan, Lobbyist, American Property and Casualty  
Insurance Association

Alan Kinney, Principal, Kinney Insurance Agency

Dan Landers, Vice President of Sales & Marketing, A.I.M. Mutual  
Insurance Company

Charles Martin, Government Affairs Director, VT Chamber of  
Commerce

David Mickenberg, Lobbyist, Working Vermont

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

<b>10:00 AM</b>	<b>FLOOR</b>
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<b>12:00 PM</b>	<b>Break</b>
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<b>2:00 PM</b>	<b>FLOOR</b>
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<b>4:00 PM</b>	<b>Adjourn</b>
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## Thursday, June 25, 2020

### Meeting Details

<b>Hearing Type</b>	Standard
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### Meeting Record

<b>8:30 AM</b>	<b>S.342 - An act relating to temporary workers' compensation amendments related to COVID-19</b>
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*Committee Discussion.*

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

<b>10:00 AM</b>	<b>FLOOR</b>
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<b>1:00 PM</b>	<b>S.342 - An act relating to temporary workers' compensation amendments related to COVID-19</b>
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*Committee Discussion Continues.*

Cynthia Browning, House Agriculture and Forestry Committee  
Damien Leonard, Legislative Counsel, Office of Legislative Counsel

<b>2:00 PM</b>	<b>FLOOR</b>
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## Friday, June 26, 2020

## Meeting Details

**Hearing  
Type** Standard

## Meeting Record

**8:30 AM S.342 - An act relating to temporary workers' compensation amendments related to COVID-19**

*Discussion of Various Amendments to S.342.*

*Vote.*

*Discussion of Updates on H.966.*

Rep. Janet Ancel, House Committee on Ways and Means

Rep. Mari Cordes, House Committee on Health Care

David Hall, Legislative Counsel, Office of Legislative Counsel

Damien Leonard, Legislative Counsel, Office of Legislative Counsel

Rep. George W. Till, House Committee on Ways and Means

**10:00 AM FLOOR**

**1:10 PM S.342 - An act relating to temporary workers' compensation amendments related to COVID-19**

*Committee Discussion.*

*Vote on Browning Amendment.*

*Hazard Pay Proposal from Senate. Vote.*

Rep. Cynthia Browning, Sponsor, Arlington

Damien Leonard, Legislative Counsel, Office of Legislative Counsel

**2:00 PM FLOOR**

**3:55 PM S.342 - An act relating to temporary workers' compensation amendments related to COVID-19**

*Committee Discussion Regarding Kimbell Amendment and Vote.*

**4:12 PM      FLOOR**

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## **Tuesday, August 25, 2020**

### **Meeting Details**

**Hearing  
Type**      Standard

### **Meeting Record**

**10:00 AM      FLOOR**

**11:00 AM      Committee Discussion of COVID 19 Response**

*Check in with Agency of Commerce and Community Development*

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

Joan Goldstein, Commissioner, Department of Economic  
Development

**1:30 PM      Joint Committee Meeting with House Appropriations**

*Agency of Commerce & Community Development Budget*

**3:00 PM      Adjourn**

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# Wednesday, August 26, 2020

## Meeting Details

<b>Hearing Type</b>	Standard
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## Meeting Record

### **8:30 AM      Committee Discussion of COVID 19 Response**

*Update on Chambers of Commerce, Sole Proprietors, and Mid-Large Size Business Needs.*

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

Sue Bette, Founder, Bluebird BBQ

Eric Friedman, Executive Director, Mad River Valley Chamber of Commerce

Adam Grinold, Executive Director, Brattleboro Development Credit Corporation

Carol Lighthall, Executive Director, Okemo Valley Regional Chamber of Commerce

Courtney Lowe, Vice President of Marketing and Business Development, Woodstock Inn, Vermont Lodging Coalition

Talena Shannon, Treasurer, Owner of Premier Entertainment & Events, Vermont Association of Wedding Professionals

Amy Spear, VP of Tourism, Vermont Chamber of Commerce

### **10:30 AM      Break**

### **12:30 AM      Committee Discussion**

*Review Agency of CCD Budget Proposal*

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

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

**4:30 PM      Adjourn**

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## Thursday, August 27, 2020

### Meeting Details

<b>Hearing Type</b>	Standard
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### Meeting Record

**10:30 AM      Committee Discussion of COVID 19 Response**

*Tax Increment Financing (TIF) Discussion*

Dominic Cloud, City Manager, City of St. Albans

Joan Goldstein, Commissioner, Department of Economic  
Development

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

Kristine Lott, Mayor, Winooski

Abbie Sherman, Grants Program Manager, Vermont Economic  
Progress Council

Rebecca Wasserman, Legislative Counsel, Office of Legislative  
Counsel

**12:30 PM      Committee Discussion**

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

**1:30 PM      Break**

**2:00 PM      FLOOR**

**4:00 PM      Adjourn**

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## Friday, August 28, 2020

### Meeting Details

**Hearing  
Type**      Standard

### Meeting Record

**11:30 AM      Committee Discussion of COVID 19 Response**

*Discussion Regarding New Draft.*

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

**12:30 PM      Committee Discussion of COVID 19 Response**

*Department of Labor Unemployment Insurance, Workforce Education Training, and Relocate to Vermont Updates.*

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

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

Michael Harrington, Commissioner, Department of Labor

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

**2:00 PM FLOOR**

**4:00 PM Adjourn**

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## **Tuesday, September 1, 2020**

### **Meeting Details**

**Hearing  
Type** Standard

### **Meeting Record**

**10:00 AM FLOOR**

**11:00 AM Committee Discussion of COVID 19 Response**

*Possible COVID dollars for the Technology Industry Discussion.*

David Bradbury, VCET President, Vermont Center for Emerging  
Technologies

**11:45 AM Committee Discussion of COVID 19 Response**

Josh Hanford, Commissioner, Department of Housing and  
Community Development

**1:00 PM**      **Break**

**3:00 PM**      **Committee Discussion of COVID 19 Response**

*Discussion with the Department of Labor*

Michael Harrington, Commissioner, Department of Labor

Kelli Kazmarski, Staff Attorney, Vermont Legal Aid

Rep. Emilie Kornheiser, Sponsor, COVID Recovery Fair Jobs  
Recovery Plan

Damien Leonard, Legislative Counsel

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

**4:30 PM**      **Adjourn**

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## Wednesday, September 2, 2020

### Meeting Details

**Hearing  
Type**      Standard

### Meeting Record

**10:30 AM**      **Committee Discussion of COVID 19 Response**

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

Chris Delia, President, Vermont Bankers' Association

Joan Goldstein, Commissioner, Department of Economic  
Development

David Hall, Legislative Counsel, Office of Legislative Council

Wendy Mays, Executive Director, Vermont Association of  
Broadcasters

Susan Stitely, President, Association of Vermont Independent  
Colleges

**1:30 PM      Break**

**2:00 PM      FLOOR**

**4:00 PM      Adjourn**

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## Thursday, September 3, 2020

### Meeting Details

**Hearing  
Type**      Standard

### Meeting Record

**10:30 AM      Committee Discussion of COVID 19 Response**

*Review Final Language and Vote on COVID-19 Response Budget*

Joan Goldstein, Commissioner, Department of Economic  
Development

David Hall, Legislative Counsel, Office of Legislative Council

**12:30 PM      Break**

**1:20 PM      Committee Discussion of COVID 19 Response**

*Continued Conversation Regarding Budget and Vote.*

Joan Goldstein, Commissioner, Department of Economic  
Development  
David Hall, Legislative Counsel, Office of Legislative Council

**2:00 PM FLOOR**

**4:00 PM Adjourn**

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## Friday, September 4, 2020

### Meeting Details

**Hearing  
Type** Standard

### Meeting Record

**12:30 PM Committee Discussion of COVID 19 Response**

*Discussion with the Department of Labor Regarding Unemployment Insurance.*

Michael Harrington, Commissioner, Department of Labor  
Cameron Wood, Director, Unemployment Insurance Division,  
Department of Labor

**2:00 PM FLOOR**

**2:30 PM Committee Discussion of COVID 19 Response**

*Discussion Regarding Tax Increment Financing*

Grace Ciffo, Assistant Director, Community Works - Community &  
Economic Development Office  
Richard Haesler, Assistant City Clerk, Burlington

Megan Sullivan, Executive Director, Vermont Economic Progress  
Council  
Rebecca Wasserman, Legislative Counsel, Office of Legislative  
Counsel

**3:15 PM      Adjourn**

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## Tuesday, September 8, 2020

### Meeting Details

**Hearing  
Type**      Standard

### Meeting Record

**10:00 AM      FLOOR**

**11:33 AM      Committee Discussion of COVID 19 Response**

*Discussion with Department of Labor Regarding Unemployment  
Insurance.*

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

Damien Leonard, Legislative Counsel

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

**12:45 PM      Adjourn**

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## Wednesday, September 9, 2020

## Meeting Details

**Hearing  
Type** Standard

## Meeting Record

### **10:30 AM Committee Discussion of COVID 19 Response**

*Discussion Regarding the Unemployment Insurance Trust Fund.*

Bill Driscoll, Vice President, Associated Industries of Vermont

Damien Leonard, Legislative Counsel

Charles Martin, Government Affairs Director, VT Chamber of  
Commerce

David Mickenberg, Lobbyist, Working Vermont

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

Erin Sigrist, President, Vermont Retail & Grocers Association

### **11:30 AM Committee Discussion of COVID 19 Response**

*Report on Worker's Compensation Claims Needs Regarding COVID.*

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

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

### **12:30 PM Break**

### **2:00 PM FLOOR**

*Caucus of the Whole*

### **4:00 PM Adjourn**



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## Thursday, September 10, 2020

### Meeting Details

<b>Hearing Type</b>	Standard
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### Meeting Record

<b>10:30 AM</b>	<b>Committee Discussion</b>
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*Discussion Regarding Unemployment Penalty Weeks*

Kelli Kazmarski, Staff Attorney, Vermont Legal Aid

Damien Leonard, Legislative Counsel

<b>12:00 PM</b>	<b>Break</b>
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<b>4:00 PM</b>	<b>Adjourn</b>
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## Friday, September 11, 2020

### Meeting Details

<b>Hearing Type</b>	Standard
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### Meeting Record

<b>12:30 PM</b>	<b>S.352 - An act relating to making certain amendments to the Front-Line Employees Hazard Pay Grant Program</b>
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*Committee Discussion. Markup and Vote.*

**2:00 PM      FLOOR**

**4:00 PM      Adjourn**

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## **Tuesday, September 15, 2020**

### **Meeting Details**

**Hearing  
Type**      Standard

### **Meeting Record**

**10:00 AM      FLOOR**

**11:00 AM      S.352 - An act relating to making certain amendments to the Front-Line Employees Hazard Pay Grant Program**

*Discussion and Vote on S.352 Amendments.*

*Walk Through of S. 353.*

Damien Leonard, Legislative Counsel

Joyce Manchester, Senior Economist, Joint Fiscal Office

Chloe Wexler, Joint Fiscal Office

**1:00 PM      Break**

**3:00 PM      S.353 - An act relating to expanding the Front-Line Employees Hazard Pay Grant Program**

*Continued Discussion.*

Damien Leonard, Legislative Counsel

**3:45 PM      Adjourn**

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## **Wednesday, September 16, 2020**

### **Meeting Details**

**Hearing  
Type**      Standard

### **Meeting Record**

**10:30 AM      S.353 - An act relating to expanding the Front-Line Employees  
Hazard Pay Grant Program**

*Markup and Vote of S.352 and S.353.*

Damien Leonard, Legislative Counsel

**11:30 AM      Committee Discussion**

*Update on the \$30 Voucher Program from the Department of  
Tourism.*

Rep. Mary S. Hooper, House Committee on Appropriations

Heather Pelham, Commissioner, Department of Tourism and

Marketing, Agency of Commerce and Community Development

Rep. Catherine Toll, Appropriations Committee

**12:15 PM      15 Minute Break**

**2:00 PM      FLOOR**

**4:00 PM      Adjourn**

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## Thursday, September 17, 2020

### Meeting Details

<b>Hearing Type</b>	Standard
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### Meeting Record

<b>11:00 AM</b>	<b>Committee Discussion</b>
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*Department of Labor Regarding the Unemployment Insurance Trust Fund and Penalty Weeks.*

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

Michael Harrington, Commissioner, Department of Labor

Damien Leonard, Legislative Counsel

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

<b>1:25 PM</b>	<b>Break</b>
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<b>2:00 PM</b>	<b>FLOOR</b>
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<b>4:00 PM</b>	<b>Adjourn</b>
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## Friday, September 18, 2020

### Meeting Details

<b>Hearing Type</b>	Standard
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## Meeting Record

### **9:00 AM      Committee Discussion**

*Markup and Possible Vote on Unemployment Insurance Proposals.*

Bill Driscoll, Vice President, Associated Industries of Vermont

Damien Leonard, Legislative Counsel

Joyce Manchester, Senior Economist, Joint Fiscal Office

Charles Martin, Government Affairs Director, VT Chamber of  
Commerce

David Mickenberg, Lobbyist, Working Vermont

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

Erin Sigrist, President, Vermont Retail & Grocers Association

Chloe Wexler, Joint Fiscal Office

### **10:00 AM      FLOOR**

### **2:00 PM      S.352 - An act relating to making certain amendments to the Front-Line Employees Hazard Pay Grant Program**

*Discussion Regarding the Till Amendment for Resident Physicians.*

Damien Leonard, Legislative Counsel, Office of Legislative Counsel

Joyce Manchester, Senior Economist, Joint Fiscal Office

Rep. George W. Till, Sponsor, House Committee on Ways and  
Means

Rep. Catherine Toll, Appropriations Committee

Chloe Wexler, Joint Fiscal Office

### **2:25 PM      Return to FLOOR**

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## Tuesday, September 22, 2020

### Meeting Details

<b>Hearing Type</b>	Standard
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### Meeting Record

<b>10:00 AM</b>	<b>FLOOR</b>
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<b>1:00 PM</b>	<b>Break</b>
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<b>1:30 PM</b>	<b>Committee Discussion of COVID 19 Response</b>
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*Discussions Regarding Unspent COVID Relief Dollars.*

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

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

Joan Goldstein, Commissioner, Department of Economic  
Development

Michael Harrington, Commissioner, Department of Labor

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

<b>3:00 PM</b>	<b>FLOOR</b>
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## Wednesday, September 23, 2020

### Meeting Details

<b>Hearing Type</b>	Standard
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<b>10:00 AM</b>	<b>FLOOR</b>
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<b>11:30 AM</b>	<b>S.352 - An act relating to making certain amendments to the Front-Line Employees Hazard Pay Grant Program</b>
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*Committee Discussion of the Senate's Amendments.*

Damien Leonard, Legislative Counsel, Office of Legislative Counsel

<b>12:20 PM</b>	<b>Break</b>
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<b>2:00 PM</b>	<b>FLOOR</b>
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## Thursday, September 24, 2020

#### Meeting Details

<b>Hearing Type</b>	Standard
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#### Meeting Record

<b>10:00 AM</b>	<b>FLOOR</b>
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<b>11:30 AM</b>	<b>No Committee Meeting Scheduled</b>
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**2:00 PM      FLOOR**

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## **Friday, September 25, 2020**

### **Meeting Details**

**Hearing  
Type**      Standard

### **Meeting Record**

**10:00 AM      FLOOR**

**11:30 AM      No Committee Meeting Scheduled**

**2:00 PM      FLOOR**

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