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Introduced by Representatives Noyes of Wolcott, Andrews of Westford,
Anthony of Barre City, Berbeco of Winooski, Black of Essex,
Boyden of Cambridge, Brumsted of Shelburne, Buss of
Woodstock, Campbell of St. Johnsbury, Carroll of Bennington,
Christie of Hartford, Cina of Burlington, Demrow of Corinth,
Dodge of Essex, Dolan of Essex Junction, Donnally of Hyde
Park, Garofano of Essex, Goldman of Rockingham, Hango of
Berkshire, Jerome of Brandon, Krasnow of South Burlington,
LaBounty of Lyndon, Lalley of Shelburne, LaMont of
Morristown, Lipsky of Stowe, McFaun of Barre Town, McGill
of Bridport, Minier of South Burlington, Nicoll of Ludlow,
Pajala of Londonderry, Priestley of Bradford, Rice of Dorset,
Small of Winooski, Surprenant of Barnard, Torre of Moretown,
Troiano of Stannard, Whitman of Bennington, and Williams of
Barre City

Referred to Committee on

Date:

Subject: Human services; home-delivered meals; rate reimbursement

1 Statement of purpose of bill as introduced: This bill proposes to increase the
2 reimbursement rate to providers for home-delivered meals and requires a
3 report containing recommendations for the sustainability of Meals on Wheels.

4 An act relating to rate reimbursement for home-delivered meals

5 It is hereby enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Vermont:

6 Sec. 1. RATE REIMBURSEMENT; HOME-DELIVERED MEALS

7 In fiscal year 2024, \$2,300,000.00 is appropriated to the Department of
8 Disabilities, Aging, and Independent Living for the purpose of adding \$2.00
9 per home-delivered meal to the reimbursement rate paid to providers in fiscal
10 year 2021.

11 Sec. 2. REPORT; MEALS ON WHEELS

12 On or before November 15, 2023, the Department of Disabilities, Aging,
13 and Independent Living, in consultation with the Vermont Association of Area
14 Agencies on Aging and the Vermont Association of Senior Centers and Meal
15 Providers, shall submit a report to the House Committee on Human Services
16 and the Senate Committee on Health and Welfare evaluating the Meals on
17 Wheels nutrition program and making recommendations for short- and long-
18 term program sustainability.

19 Sec. 3. EFFECTIVE DATE

20 This act shall take effect on July 1, 2023.