SENATE PROPOSAL OF AMENDMENT

H. 583

An act relating to the charge of the Vermont Child Poverty Council

The Senate proposes to the House to amend the bill by striking out all after the enacting clause and inserting in lieu thereof the following:

Sec. 1. 2007 Acts and Resolves No. 68, Sec. 1 is amended to read:

Sec. 1. VERMONT CHILD POVERTY COUNCIL

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- (b)(1) The <u>council</u> shall consist of the following members or their designees:
- (A) the president pro tempore of the senate <u>President Pro Tempore of</u> the Senate;
- (B) the speaker of the house of representatives Speaker of the House of Representatives;
- (C) the chair of the senate committee on health and welfare Chair of the Senate Committee on Health and Welfare;
- (D) the chair of the house committee on human services <u>Chair of the House Committee on Human Services</u>;
- (E) the chair of the senate committee on education <u>Chair of the</u> Senate Committee on Education;
- (F) the chair of the house committee on education <u>Chair of the House</u> Committee on Education;
- (G) the commissioners of the departments for children and families; of health; of education; and of labor Commissioners for Children and Families; of Health; and of Labor; and the Secretaries of Human Services and of Education; and
- (H) one representative each from Voices for Vermont's Children, the Vermont low income advocacy council Low Income Advocacy Council, Vermont Legal Aid, and the Vermont superintendents' association Superintendents' Association.

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(3) The <u>council Council</u> shall meet up to six times while the <u>general assembly General Assembly</u> is not in session to perform its functions under this section. <u>In addition, during the 2007 legislative interim, the council shall hold 14 public hearings as required under subsection (d) of this section. <u>The Council may meet an unlimited number of times during the legislative session,</u></u>

<u>but legislative Council members shall not receive compensation and reimbursement for expenses pursuant to subsection (e) of this section for participation in meetings during the legislative session.</u>

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(e) Funds from private and public sources may be accepted and utilized by the eouncil Council to develop and implement the plan and provisions of this section. Legislative For participation in meetings during the legislative interim, legislative members of the eommittee Council shall be entitled to compensation and reimbursement for expenses under section 406 of Title 2 2 V.S.A. § 406. All other members not receiving compensation for service on the committee from another source are entitled to compensation under section 1010 of Title 32. Nonlegislative members who are not otherwise compensated and reimbursed for their participation on the Council shall be entitled to receive compensation and reimbursement of expenses under 32 V.S.A. § 1010.

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Sec. 2. EFFECTIVE DATE

This act shall take effect on passage.