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Introduced by Representatives Smith of New Haven and Eastman of Orwell

Referred to Committee on

Date:

Subject: Conservation and development; natural resources; Act 250

Statement of purpose of bill as introduced: This bill proposes to place a time limit on the issuance of Agency of Natural Resources permits that are to be used by an applicant to demonstrate compliance with Act 250 criteria.

An act relating to Agency of Natural Resources permits to be used in proceedings under 10 V.S.A. chapter 151

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

Sec. 1. 3 V.S.A. § 2827 is added to read:

§ 2827. TIME PERIOD: AGENCY PERMITS FOR PROJECTS SUBJECT

TO 10 V.S.A. CHAPTER 151

Notwithstanding any larger time limit established by the Secretary under subsection 2822(g) of this title, the Agency shall issue a decision within 60 days of a complete application for a permit, certification, or other approval when each of the following applies:

1 (1) The application is for construction of improvements or a change
2 of use that also requires a permit or permit amendment under 10 V.S.A.
3 chapter 151.

4 (2) On submittal of the application, the applicant notifies the Agency
5 that the applicant will use the resulting permit, certification, or other approval
6 in a proceeding under 10 V.S.A. chapter 151 to demonstrate compliance with a
7 criterion of 10 V.S.A. § 6086(a).

8 Sec. 2. EFFECTIVE DATE

9 This act shall take effect on July 1, 2016.