



STATE OF VERMONT
GENERAL ASSEMBLY
LEGISLATIVE JOINT FISCAL COMMITTEE

Tuesday, February 27, 2024

Approved Minutes

Hybrid Meeting: Room 11 and <https://www.youtube.com/@VTJointFiscal/featured>

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Members present: Representatives Harrison, Kornheiser, Lanpher, Scheu, and Wood.
And Senators Baruth, Cummings, Kitchel, Sears, and Westman.

Other attendees: Joint Fiscal Office and Administration staff, and various viewers in person and through live streaming.

Call to order and Approval of Minutes

The meeting was called to order by Senator Kitchel at 12:05pm.

Senator Sears moved to accept the December 1, 2024 minutes as written. Senator Westman seconded the motion. The committee voted 10-0-0 and adopted the minutes.
{00:00:17}

A. Administration update on the status of housing transitions and the provision of comprehensive community response per Sec. C.123 Act 78(2023) {00:00:50}

Deputy Secretary of the Agency of Human Services, Todd Daloz, and Secretary of the Agency of Commerce and Community Development, Lindsay Kurrle, gave an update on the status of housing transitions and the provision of comprehensive community response per Sec. C.123 of Act 78 of 2023. They were joined by the following members of the administration.

Sue Graff, Field Services Director, Agency of Human Services
Miranda Gray, Deputy Commissioner, DCF Economic Services Division
Lily Sojourner, Interim Director, DCF Office of Economic Opportunity
Jillian Niggel, Financial Director III, DCF Business Office
Alex Farrell, Commissioner, Department of Housing and Community Development

B. Provider and community partner update on the status of housing transitions and the provision of comprehensive community response per Sec. C.123 Act 78(2023) [{01:13:16}](#)

Paul Dragon, Executive Director of the Champlain Valley Office of Economic Opportunity, Julie Bond, Co-Executive Director of the Good Samaritan Haven, and Frank Knaack, Executive Director of the Housing and Homelessness Alliance of Vermont gave an update on the status of housing transitions among community partners per Sec. C.123 Act 78 of 2023.

C. Grants

Due to time constraints, no action was taken on the grant below. It will move through the standard grant process. [{01:31:42}](#)

[JFO #3187](#): Two (2) limited-service positions to the Public Service Department, Vermont Community Broadband Board: Administrative Services Manager III and Data and Information Project Manager. Positions will carry out work related to the federal Broadband Equity, Access, and Deployment (BEAD) program. This program has the potential to bring in additional Broadband investment, provided local applications are successful. Positions are fully funded through 11/30/2027 and are funded by previously approved JFO #3136.

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Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 1:38 pm.

Respectfully submitted,
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