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2	Introduced by Representatives Kitzmiller of Montpelier and Hooper of
3	Montpelier
4	Referred to Committee on
5	Date:
6	Subject: Municipal government; municipal charters; City of Montpelier;
7	amendment
8	Statement of purpose of bill as introduced: This bill proposes to approve an
9	amendment to the charter of the City of Montpelier.
10	An act relating to approval of an amendment to the charter of the City of
11	Montpelier
12	It is hereby enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Vermont:
13	Sec. 1. CHARTER AMENDMENT APPROVAL
14	The General Assembly approves the amendment to the charter of the City
15	of Montpelier as set forth in this act. Voters approved the proposal of
16	amendment on November 6, 2018.
17	Sec. 2. 24 App. V.S.A. chapter 5 is amended to read:
18	CHAPTER 5. CITY OF MONTPELIER
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1	Subchapter 15. City Voter Checklist
2	§ 1501. ELIGIBILITY OF NONCITIZEN VOTERS
3	(a) Notwithstanding 17 V.S.A. § 2121(a)(1), any person may register to
4	vote in Montpelier City elections who on election day is a legal resident of the
5	United States, provided that person otherwise meets the qualifications of
6	17 V.S.A. chapter 43.
7	(b) A noncitizen voter shall not be eligible to vote on any State or federal
8	candidate or question by virtue of registration under this section.
9	§ 1502. CITY VOTER CHECKLIST; CITY CLERK DUTIES TO
10	<u>MAINTAIN</u>
11	The City Clerk shall maintain a City voter checklist composed of voters
12	eligible to vote in City elections under 17 V.S.A. chapter 43 and this
13	subchapter and shall keep this City voter checklist separate from any other
14	voter checklist. The City Clerk shall develop all necessary forms and
15	procedures for implementation of this subchapter.
16	§ 1503. CITY ELECTION BALLOT
17	In any election involving a federal, State, county, special district, or school
18	district office or question and a City question or City office, the City Clerk
19	shall prepare a ballot that contains only the City questions and candidates,
20	except for justices of the peace.

1	§ 1504. DEFINITIONS
2	As used in this subchapter:
3	(1) "Legal resident of the United States" means any noncitizen who
4	resides in the United States on a permanent or indefinite basis in compliance
5	with federal immigration laws.
6	(2) "Noncitizen voter" means any voter who registers and qualifies to
7	vote in City elections under section 1501 of this charter but is not a citizen of
8	the United States.
9	Sec. 3. EFFECTIVE DATE
10	This act shall take effect on passage.