

1 H.420

2 Introduced by Representatives Briglin of Thetford, Browning of Arlington,
3 Cordes of Lincoln, Elder of Starksboro, James of Manchester,
4 Lefebvre of Newark, Masland of Thetford, Partridge of
5 Windham, Stevens of Waterbury, and Wood of Waterbury

6 Referred to Committee on

7 Date:

8 Subject: Transportation; Class 2 Town Highway Roadway Program; highways

9 Statement of purpose of bill as introduced: This bill proposes to authorize
10 municipalities that have no State highways or class 1 town highways within
11 their borders to use grants received under the Class 2 Town Highway Roadway
12 Program for both class 2 and class 3 town highways.

13 An act relating to authorized spending of Class 2 Town Highway Roadway
14 Program grants

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

16 Sec. 1. 19 V.S.A. § 306(h) is amended to read:

17 (h) Class 2 Town Highway Roadway Program. There shall be an annual
18 appropriation for grants to municipalities for resurfacing, rehabilitation, or
19 reconstruction of paved or unpaved class 2 town highways. However,
20 municipalities that have no State highways or class 1 town highways within

1 their borders may use the grants for such activities with respect to both class 2
2 and class 3 town highways. Each fiscal year, the Agency shall approve
3 qualifying projects with a total estimated State share cost of \$7,648,750.00 at a
4 minimum as new grants. The Agency's proposed appropriation for the
5 Program shall take into account the estimated amount of qualifying invoices
6 submitted to the Agency with respect to project grants approved in prior years
7 but not yet completed as well as with respect to new project grants to be
8 approved in the fiscal year. In a given fiscal year, should expenditures in the
9 Class 2 Town Highway Roadway Program exceed the amount appropriated,
10 the Agency shall advise the Governor of the need to request a supplemental
11 appropriation from the General Assembly to fund the additional project cost,
12 provided that the Agency has previously committed to completing those
13 projects. Funds received as grants for State aid under the Class 2 Town
14 Highway Roadway Program may be used by a municipality to satisfy a portion
15 of the matching requirements for federal earmarks, subject to subsection
16 309b(c) of this title.

17 Sec. 2. EFFECTIVE DATE

18 This act shall take effect on July 1, 2019.