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2 Introduced by Representatives Till of Jericho, McFaun of Barre Town,

3 Mrowicki of Putney, O'Brien of Richmond and Pearson of

4 Burlington

5 Referred to Committee on

6 Date:

7 Subject: Health; legislature; health access oversight committee; legislative

8 charge

9 Statement of purpose: This bill proposes to expand the scope of the charge to
10 the health access oversight committee.

11 An act relating to the health access oversight committee

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

13 Sec. 1. 2 V.S.A. § 852 is amended to read:

14 § 852. FUNCTIONS AND DUTIES

15 (a) The health access oversight committee shall ~~carry on~~ monitor, oversee,
16 and provide a continuing review of ~~the operation of the Medicaid program and~~
17 ~~all Medicaid waiver programs that may affect the administration and~~
18 ~~beneficiaries of these programs~~ health care and human services programs in
19 Vermont when the general assembly is not in session.

1 (b) In conducting its ~~review~~ oversight and in order to fulfill its duties, the
2 committee ~~shall~~ may consult the following:

3 (1) Consumers and advocacy groups ~~regarding their satisfaction and~~
4 ~~complaints.~~

5 (2) Health care providers ~~regarding their satisfaction and complaints.~~

6 (3) The department of Vermont health access.

7 (4) The department of banking, insurance, securities, and health care
8 administration.

9 (5) The department of health.

10 (6) The department for children and families.

11 (7) The department of disabilities, aging, and independent living.

12 (8) The department of mental health.

13 (9) The agency of human services.

14 (10) The agency of administration.

15 (11) The Green Mountain Care board.

16 (12) The director of health care reform.

17 ~~(6)~~(13) The attorney general.

18 ~~(7)~~(14) The health care ombudsman.

19 (15) The long-term care ombudsman.

20 ~~(8)~~(16) The Vermont program for quality in health care.

21 ~~(9)~~(17) Any other person or entity as determined by the committee.

1 (c) The committee shall work with, assist, and advise other committees of
2 the general assembly, members of the executive branch, and the public on
3 matters relating to ~~the state Medicaid program and other state health care~~ and
4 human services programs. Annually, no later than January 15, the committee
5 shall report its recommendations to the governor and the general assembly.

6 Sec. 2. EFFECTIVE DATE

7 This act shall take effect on July 1, 2012.