

Weekly Summary of Legislative Activities, Committee Agendas and Calendar of Events

Wednesday, January 14, 2026

House Committees

House Committee on Appropriations

<https://legislature.vermont.gov/committee/streaming/house-appropriations>.

Room 9

1:05 PM **Federal Funds**

Update

Sarah Clark, Secretary of Administration, Agency of Administration

House Committee on Corrections and Institutions

<https://legislature.vermont.gov/committee/streaming/house-corrections-and-institutions>.

Room 34

1:00 PM **Victim Notification Systems**

Task Force updates

Jennifer Poehlmann, J.D., Executive Director, Center for Crime Victim Services

Charlie Gliserman, Director of Policy, Vermont Network Against Domestic & Sexual Violence

Merredith Pelkey, Director, Victim's Services, Department of Corrections

Amy Farr, Director of Victim Services, Department of Public Safety

Kim McManus, Legislative Attorney, Department of State's Attorneys and Sheriffs

Kelsey Rice, Survivor, Windham County

Brittany Antunes, Survivor

Thursday, January 15, 2026

House Committees

House Committee on Corrections and Institutions

<https://legislature.vermont.gov/committee/streaming/house-corrections-and-institutions>.

Room 34

10:30 AM **Wellpath**

Health Care Services

James Ulager, MD, Medical Director, Wellpath

Aviva Tevah, Executive Director of Health, Wellness and Engagement, Department of Corrections

House Committee on the Judiciary

<https://legislature.vermont.gov/committee/streaming/house-judiciary>.

Room 30

15 Minutes After Floor **H. 613 - An act relating to victims of officer-involved shootings of an individual experiencing a mental health crisis**

Witness Testimony

Shawn Garvey – TBD

House Committee on Transportation

<https://legislature.vermont.gov/committee/streaming/house-transportation>.

Room 43

9:45 AM **Agency of Transportation Updates**

Update on Public Transit Non-Emergency Medical Transportation Program, Older Adults and Person's with Disabilities Transportation, Job Access Transportation Program

Ross MacDonald, Public Transit Program Manager, Agency of Transportation

Elaine Haytko, Executive Director, Vermont Public Transportation Association - Zoom

Aaron Frank, Town Manager of Colchester

Caleb Grant, Director, Vermont Public Transportation Association

Clayton Clark, General Manager, Green Mountain Transit

10:45 AM **Agency of Transportation Updates**

Act 43, Section 28, Report on the Coordination of Health Care and Transportation Services

Ross MacDonald, Public Transit Program Manager, Agency of Transportation

Devon Green, Vice President of Government Relations, Vermont Association of Hospitals and Health Systems

Karen Vastine, Sr. Community Relations Officer, University of Vermont Health Network
Dan Currier, Public Transit Coordinator, Agency of Transportation
Natasha Withers, Medical Director of High Value Care, UVM Health
Grace Johnson, Policy Analyst, Medicaid Policy Unit, Agency of Human Services

Friday, January 16, 2026

House Committees

House Committee on General and Housing

<https://legislature.vermont.gov/committee/streaming/house-general-and-housing>.

Room 31

After Floor Homelessness and Housing Solutions

Rep. Theresa Wood, House Committee on Human Services

Senate Committees

Senate Committee on Health and Welfare

<https://legislature.vermont.gov/committee/streaming/senate-health-and-welfare>.

Room 17

TBD Committee Discussion

Introduction of Various Human Service Bills

Katie McLinn, Legislative Counsel, Office of Legislative Counsel

TBD S. 157 - An act relating to recovery residence certification

Katie McLinn, Legislative Counsel, Office of Legislative Counsel

TBD H. 237 - An act relating to prescribing by doctoral-level psychologists

Introduction

Katie McLinn, Legislative Counsel, Office of Legislative Counsel

Legislature Updates of Bills Related to Disability Rights

Carry-Over House Bills Introduced in 2025

H.5 An act relating to a hearsay exception for a child under 16 years of age.

As Introduced: <https://legislature.vermont.gov/Documents/2026/Docs/BILLS/H-0005/H-0005%20As%20Introduced.pdf>

House 1/9/2025 - Read first time and referred to the Committee on Judiciary/House Committee on Judiciary

H.8 An act relating to a tax credit for home modifications for safety and livability

As Introduced: <https://legislature.vermont.gov/Documents/2026/Docs/BILLS/H-0008/H-0008%20As%20Introduced.pdf>

House 1/9/2025 - Read first time and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means

H.12 An act relating to addressing barriers to blenderized tube feeding.

As Introduced: <https://legislature.vermont.gov/Documents/2026/Docs/BILLS/H-0012/H-0012%20As%20Introduced.pdf>

House 1/9/2025 - Read first time and referred to the Committee on Judiciary/House Committee on Judiciary

H.26 An act relating to guardianship proceedings.

As Introduced: <https://legislature.vermont.gov/Documents/2026/Docs/BILLS/H-0026/H-0026%20As%20Introduced.pdf>

House 1/10/2025 - Read first time and referred to the Committee on Judiciary/House Committee on Judiciary

H.29 An act relating to replacing statutory references to Vermont Psychiatric Survivors with MadFreedom, Inc.

As Introduced: <https://legislature.vermont.gov/Documents/2026/Docs/BILLS/H-0029/H-0029%20As%20Introduced.pdf>

House 1/14/2025 - Read first time and referred to the Committee on Health Care

H.30 An act relating to the use of seclusion and restraint on children and youth in the custody of the Department for Children and Families.

As Introduced: <https://legislature.vermont.gov/Documents/2026/Docs/BILLS/H-0030/H-0030%20As%20Introduced.pdf>

House 1/14/2025 - Read first time and referred to the Committee on Human Services

H.32 An act relating to treatment for opioid use disorder in correctional facilities.

As Introduced: <https://legislature.vermont.gov/Documents/2026/Docs/BILLS/H-0032/H-0032%20As%20Introduced.pdf>

House 1/14/2025 - Read first time and referred to the Committee on Corrections and Institutions

H.39 An act relating to repeal of authorization of overdose prevention centers

As Introduced: <https://legislature.vermont.gov/Documents/2026/Docs/BILLS/H-0039/H-0039%20As%20Introduced.pdf>

House 1/16/2025 - Read first time and referred to the Committee on Human Services

H.46 An act relating to the Rare Disease Advisory Council

As Introduced: <https://legislature.vermont.gov/Documents/2026/Docs/BILLS/H-0046/H-0046%20As%20Introduced.pdf>

House 1/16/2025 - Read first time and referred to the Committee on Human Services. Passes the House on 5/14/25. Read first time in Senate on 5/16/25.

H.73 An act relating to the zoning requirements for group homes

As Introduced: <https://legislature.vermont.gov/Documents/2026/Docs/BILLS/H-0073/H-0073%20As%20Introduced.pdf>

House 1/21/2025 - Read first time and referred to the Committee on Human Services

H.82 An act relating to establishing the Division of Planning and Evaluation and strengthening the regulatory capacity of the Green Mountain Care Board

As Introduced: <https://legislature.vermont.gov/Documents/2026/Docs/BILLS/H-0082/H-0082%20As%20Introduced.pdf>

House 1/24/2025 - Read first time and referred to the Committee on Health Care

H.92 An act relating to Human Services Board fair hearing proceedings

As Introduced: <https://legislature.vermont.gov/Documents/2026/Docs/BILLS/H-0092/H-0092%20As%20Introduced.pdf>

House 1/24/2025 - Read first time and referred to the Committee on Human Services

H. 143 - An act relating to establishing a support service program for individuals who are DeafBlind

As Introduced: <https://legislature.vermont.gov/Documents/2026/Docs/BILLS/H-0143/H-0143%20As%20Introduced.pdf>

House 2/5/2025 - Read first time and referred to the Committee on Human Services

H.158 An act relating to prohibiting municipal regulation of the use of hygienic face masks

As Introduced: <https://legislature.vermont.gov/Documents/2026/Docs/BILLS/H-0158/H-0158%20As%20Introduced.pdf>

House 2/6/2025 - Read first time and referred to the Committee on Government Operations and Military Affairs

H.160 An act relating to creating a right to repair for medical devices

As Introduced: <https://legislature.vermont.gov/Documents/2026/Docs/BILLS/H-0160/H-0160%20As%20Introduced.pdf>

House 2/7/2025 - Read first time and referred to the Committee on Commerce and Economic Development

H. 165 An act relating to funding inclusive schools

As Introduced: <https://legislature.vermont.gov/Documents/2026/Docs/BILLS/H-0165/H-0165%20As%20Introduced.pdf>

House 2/7/2025 House Committee on Education

H. 169 An act relating to amending the prohibitions against discrimination in public accommodations and housing

As Introduced: <https://legislature.vermont.gov/Documents/2026/Docs/BILLS/H-0169/H-0169%20As%20Introduced.pdf>

House 2/7/2025 House Committee on General and Housing

H.192 An act relating to prohibiting solitary confinement for children

As Introduced: <https://legislature.vermont.gov/Documents/2026/Docs/BILLS/H-0192/H-0192%20As%20Introduced.pdf>

House 2/12/2025 - Read first time and referred to the Committee on Human Services 3/12/25
Introduced to House Human Services Committee by sponsors Rep. Angela Arsenault and Rep. Barbara Rachelson

H.227 An Act relating to residential peer respite

As Introduced: <https://legislature.vermont.gov/Documents/2026/Docs/BILLS/H-0227/H-0227%20As%20Introduced.pdf>

House 2/26/2025 - Rep. Wood of Waterbury moved that the Committee on Human Services be relieved of the bill and that the same be committed to the Committee on Health Care, which was agreed to

H. 251 An Act relating to Competency Restoration

As Introduced: <https://legislature.vermont.gov/Documents/2026/Docs/BILLS/H-0251/H-0251%20As%20Introduced.pdf>

House 2/18/2025 - Read first time and referred to the Committee on Judiciary

H.315 An act relating to nondiscrimination concerning a parent with a disability

As Introduced: <https://legislature.vermont.gov/Documents/2026/Docs/BILLS/H-0315/H-0315%20As%20Introduced.pdf>

House 2/25/2025 - Read first time and referred to the Committee on Judiciary

H.374 An Act relating to repealing the Commissioner of Labor's authority to recommend a subminimum wage for individuals with a disability.

As Introduced: <https://legislature.vermont.gov/Documents/2026/Docs/BILLS/H-0374/H-0374%20As%20Introduced.pdf>

House 2/26/2025 - Read first time and referred to the Committee on General and Housing

H.456 An act relating to establishing a State-funded and community-based continuum of care for justice-involved individuals

As Introduced: <https://legislature.vermont.gov/Documents/2026/Docs/BILLS/H-0456/H-0456%20As%20Introduced.pdf>

House 3/11/2025 - Read first time and referred to the Committee on Human Services.

House Bills Introduced in 2026**H.522 An act relating to prescriptions for psychotropic medications used by children and youth in the Dr. Dynasaur program**

As Introduced: <https://legislature.vermont.gov/Documents/2026/Docs/BILLS/H-0522/H-0522%20As%20Introduced.pdf>

H.530 An act relating to establishing a forensic facility

As Introduced: <https://legislature.vermont.gov/Documents/2026/Docs/BILLS/H-0530/H-0530%20As%20Introduced.pdf>

H.535 An act relating to establishing a competency restoration program

As Introduced: <https://legislature.vermont.gov/Documents/2026/Docs/BILLS/H-0535/H-0535%20As%20Introduced.pdf>

H.544 An act relating to crime victim's rights in competency discharge proceedings

As Introduced: <https://legislature.vermont.gov/Documents/2026/Docs/BILLS/H-0544/H-0544%20As%20Introduced.pdf>

H.562 An act relating to common interest communities

As Introduced: <https://legislature.vermont.gov/Documents/2026/Docs/BILLS/H-0562/H-0562%20As%20Introduced.pdf>

H.573 An act relating to the first certification of an emergency examination

As Introduced: <https://legislature.vermont.gov/Documents/2026/Docs/BILLS/H-0573/H-0573%20As%20Introduced.pdf>

H.582 An act relating to adult protective services

As Introduced: <https://legislature.vermont.gov/Documents/2026/Docs/BILLS/H-0582/H-0582%20As%20Introduced.pdf>

H. 613 - An act relating to victims of officer-involved shootings of an individual experiencing a mental health crisis

As Introduced: <https://legislature.vermont.gov/Documents/2026/Docs/BILLS/H-0613/H-0613%20As%20Introduced.pdf>

Carry-Over Senate Bills Introduced in 2025**S.1 An act relating to providing Medicaid-equivalent coverage to all Vermonters.**

As Introduced: <https://legislature.vermont.gov/Documents/2026/Docs/BILLS/S-0001/S-0001%20As%20Introduced.pdf>

Senate 1/10/2025 - Read 1st time & referred to Committee on Health and Welfare

S.2 An act relating to establishing the Office of Health Equity within the Department of Health.

As Introduced: <https://legislature.vermont.gov/Documents/2026/Docs/BILLS/S-0002/S-0002%20As%20Introduced.pdf>

Senate 1/10/2025 - Read 1st time & referred to Committee on Government Operations

S.5 An act relating to guardianship proceedings.

As Introduced: <https://legislature.vermont.gov/Documents/2026/Docs/BILLS/S-0005/S-0005%20As%20Introduced.pdf>

Senate 1/10/2025 - Read 1st time & referred to Committee on Judiciary

S.6 An act relating to repealing the Commissioner of Labor's authority to recommend a subminimum wage for individuals with a disability.

As Introduced: <https://legislature.vermont.gov/Documents/2026/Docs/BILLS/S-0006/S-0006%20As%20Introduced.pdf>

Senate 1/10/2025 - Read 1st time & referred to Committee on Economic Development, Housing and General Affairs

S.10 An act relating to modifying requirements for obtaining a certificate of need.

As Introduced: <https://legislature.vermont.gov/Documents/2026/Docs/BILLS/S-0010/S-0010%20As%20Introduced.pdf>

Senate 1/16/2025 - Read 1st time & referred to Committee on Health and Welfare

S.20 An act relating to increasing the monetary thresholds for certificates of need

As Introduced: <https://legislature.vermont.gov/Documents/2026/Docs/BILLS/S-0020/S-0020%20As%20Introduced.pdf>

Senate 1/22/2025 - Read 1st time & referred to Committee on Health and Welfare

S.81 An act relating to prohibiting municipal regulation of the use of hygienic face masks

As Introduced: <https://legislature.vermont.gov/Documents/2026/Docs/BILLS/S-0081/S-0081%20As%20Introduced.pdf>

Senate 2/25/2025 - Read 1st time & referred to Committee on Government Operations

S.115 An act relating to requiring prior approval by a municipality to operate an overdose prevention center

As Introduced: <https://legislature.vermont.gov/Documents/2026/Docs/BILLS/S-0115/S-0115%20As%20Introduced.pdf>

Senate 3/13/2025 - Read 1st time & referred to Committee on Government Operations

Senate Bills Introduced in 2026

S.195 An act relating to judicial proceedings for involuntary treatment

As Introduced: <https://legislature.vermont.gov/Documents/2026/Docs/BILLS/S-0195/S-0195%20As%20Introduced.pdf>

S.233 An act relating to establishing a special education family advocacy pilot program

As Introduced: <https://legislature.vermont.gov/Documents/2026/Docs/BILLS/S-0233/S-0233%20As%20Introduced.pdf>

S.241 An act relating to regulating the use of artificial intelligence in the provision of mental health services

As Introduced: <https://legislature.vermont.gov/Documents/2026/Docs/BILLS/S-0241/S-0241%20As%20Introduced.pdf>

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