

PHILIP B. SCOTT
GOVERNOR



State of Vermont
OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

May 19, 2022

Vermont General Assembly
115 State Street
Montpelier, VT 05633

Re: H.523, AN ACT RELATING TO REDUCING HYDROFLUOROCARBON EMISSIONS

Dear Legislators:

I am allowing H.523, *An act relating to reducing hydrofluorocarbon emissions*, to go into law without my signature.

While I support the goals of this bill, I am concerned there may be unintended consequences for Vermonters who own vehicles made in 2015 or earlier. The number of vehicles and impacts of this law are unknown – and hopefully inconsequential – but should be determined before the effective date in January 2023. I have asked the Department of Motor Vehicles to research this and assess the consequences.

Should there be undue harm from this bill, I will ask the Legislature to make the necessary changes in January.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Philip B. Scott", with a long horizontal line extending to the right.

Philip B. Scott
Governor

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