VERMONT **Department of Corrections**

Use of a Private Collection Agency for the Collection of Fees, Fines, and Restitution and for Administrative Servicing of Some Cases

Authority:

28 V.S.A. § 102 (b)(12)

Rule:

The Commissioner of the Department of Corrections (DOC) may choose to contract with a private collection agency to collect from inmates and offenders: supervisory fees imposed by Title 28, fines, penalties, and restitution imposed under Title 13. Generally, the DOC Central Business Office shall maintain a database of offender supervisory fees imposed by Title 28, and fines, penalties, and restitution imposed under Title 13, as well as provide offenders the information on where and how to submit payment to the DOC. The DOC Central Business Office shall also rely on the State tax offset program to recover outstanding debts. While DOC does not intend to regularly use the services of a private collection agency, the DOC reserves the right to do so.