

SB 466-FN - AS INTRODUCED

2026 SESSION

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SENATE BILL **466-FN**

AN ACT relative to the possession of a firearm without a serial number.

SPONSORS: Sen. Gannon, Dist 23; Sen. Birdsell, Dist 19; Sen. Lang, Dist 2; Sen. Pearl, Dist 17; Sen. Rosenwald, Dist 13; Rep. Harvey-Bolia, Belk. 3; Rep. M. Pearson, Rock. 34; Rep. L. Walsh, Rock. 15

COMMITTEE: Judiciary

ANALYSIS

This bill makes it a class A felony to change, alter, remove or obliterate the name of the maker, model, manufacturer's number, or other mark of identification on a firearm.

Explanation: Matter added to current law appears in ***bold italics***.
Matter removed from current law appears ~~[in brackets and struckthrough.]~~
Matter which is either (a) all new or (b) repealed and reenacted appears in regular type.

STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

In the Year of Our Lord Two Thousand Twenty-Six

AN ACT relative to the possession of a firearm without a serial number.

Be it Enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

1 1 Public Safety and Welfare; Changing Marks on a Firearm. Amend RSA 159:13 to read as
2 follows:

3 159:13 Changing Marks. No person shall change, alter, remove, or obliterate the name of the
4 maker, model, manufacturer's number, or other mark of identification on any pistol or revolver, **or**
5 **any other firearm**. Possession of any such firearms upon which the same shall have been changed,
6 altered, removed, or obliterated shall be presumptive evidence that such possessor has changed,
7 altered, removed, or obliterated the same. Any person who violates the provisions of this section
8 shall be guilty of a [~~misdemeanor~~] **class A felony**.

9 2 Effective Date. This act shall take effect January 1, 2027.

**SB 466-FN- FISCAL NOTE
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FISCAL IMPACT:

Estimated State Impact				
	FY 2026	FY 2027	FY 2028	FY 2029
Revenue	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
<i>Revenue Fund</i>	None			
Expenditures*	Indeterminable			
<i>Funding Source</i>	General Fund			
Appropriations*	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
<i>Funding Source</i>	None			

*Expenditure = Cost of bill

*Appropriation = Authorized funding to cover cost of bill

Estimated Political Subdivision Impact				
	FY 2026	FY 2027	FY 2028	FY 2029
County Revenue	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
County Expenditures	Indeterminable			
Local Revenue	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Local Expenditures	Indeterminable			

METHODOLOGY:

This bill adds, deletes, or modifies a criminal penalty, or changes statute to which there is a penalty for violation. Therefore, this bill may have an impact on the judicial and correctional systems, which could affect prosecution, incarceration, probation, and parole costs, for the state, as well as county and local governments. A summary of such costs can be found at: https://gencourt.state.nh.us/lba/Budget/Fiscal_Notes/JudicialCorrectionalCosts.pdf

AGENCIES CONTACTED:

Judicial Branch, Judicial Council, Department of Justice, Department of Corrections, New Hampshire Association of Counties, and New Hampshire Municipal Association