

HB 1246 - AS INTRODUCED

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HOUSE BILL **1246**

AN ACT relative to planning board members serving on other local boards.

SPONSORS: Rep. Fracht, Graf. 16; Rep. Aylward, Merr. 5; Rep. Stavis, Graf. 13; Rep. Pauer, Hills. 36

COMMITTEE: Municipal and County Government

ANALYSIS

This bill mandates that a member of a planning board, who also serves on a zoning board, may only participate and vote on one board when an application or development project is heard by both boards.

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Matter which is either (a) all new or (b) repealed and reenacted appears in regular type.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 planning board members serving on other local boards.

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

1 1 Planning Board Members Serving on Other Local Boards. Amend RSA 673:7, I to read as
2 follows:

3 I. Any 2 appointed or elected members of the planning board in a city or town may also serve
4 together on any other municipal board or commission, except that no more than one appointed or
5 elected member of the planning board shall serve on the conservation commission, the local
6 governing body, or a local land use board as defined in RSA 672:7. ***A member who also serves on a***
7 ***zoning board of adjustment shall recuse from voting on any matter previously decided by***
8 ***that board in a quasi-judicial capacity in which the member participated as a voting***
9 ***member.***

10 2 Effective Date. This act shall take effect 60 days after its passage.