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Amendment to HB 781-FN

1 Amend the title of the bill by replacing it with the following:

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3 AN ACT requiring school districts to adopt policies establishing a cell phone-free education.

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5 Amend the bill by replacing all after the enacting clause with the following:

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7 1 New Paragraph; Cell Phone Use Policy. Amend RSA 189:1-a by inserting after paragraph IV  
8 the following new paragraph:

9 V. School boards and the board of trustees of chartered public schools shall develop and  
10 adopt a policy governing the use of student cell phones and other personal electronic communication  
11 devices in schools. The policy shall, at a minimum, restrict the use of student personal cell phones  
12 during class instruction, with approved exceptions determined by the superintendent or their  
13 designee with respect to student medical, disability, or language proficiency needs. School district  
14 policies shall not prohibit students with medical needs, such as insulin pumps and glucose sensors,  
15 or disabilities from using a device to support their learning as identified by their individualized  
16 education program (IEP), plan developed under Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, 29  
17 U.S.C. section 794, or when required to support emergent multilingual students with appropriate  
18 language access programs and services pursuant to Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964.

19 2 Effective Date. This act shall take effect July 1, 2025.

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AMENDED ANALYSIS

This bill requires school districts to adopt policies governing student cell phone use in schools.