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HOUSE BILL **156**

AN ACT relative to the duties of the advisory committee on state procurement.

SPONSORS: Rep. Bixby, Straf. 13; Rep. Caplan, Merr. 8; Rep. N. Germana, Ches. 15; Rep. M. Murray, Hills. 37; Rep. Potenza, Straf. 19; Rep. Simpson, Rock. 33; Sen. Innis, Dist 7; Sen. Watters, Dist 4

COMMITTEE: Executive Departments and Administration

AMENDED ANALYSIS

This bill creates an advisory committee on state procurement of agricultural products to review state procurement policies and make recommendations to encourage local food production and conservation.

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Matter which is either (a) all new or (b) repealed and reenacted appears in regular type.

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STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

In the Year of Our Lord Two Thousand Twenty Five

AN ACT relative to the duties of the advisory committee on state procurement.

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

1 1 New Section; Advisory Committee on State Procurement of Agricultural Products. Amend
2 RSA 21-I by inserting after section 14-d the following new section:

3 21-I:14-e Advisory Committee on State Procurement of Agricultural Products.

4 I. There is established an advisory committee on state procurement of agricultural products.

5 II. The members of the committee shall be 3 members of the house of representatives,
6 appointed by the speaker of the house of representatives and one senate member appointed by the
7 president.

8 III. The committee shall:

9 (a) Assess current practices for procuring locally produced food.

10 (b) Evaluate economic and environmental impacts of supporting conservation-focused
11 farming.

12 (c) Develop recommendations for potential incentive mechanisms.

13 (d) Align findings with state food system planning goals.

14 IV. The members of the committee shall elect a chairperson from among the members. The
15 first meeting of the committee shall be called by the first-named house member. The first meeting of
16 the committee shall be held within 45 days of the effective date of this section. Two members of the
17 committee shall constitute a quorum.

18 V. Beginning November 1, 2025 and each November 1 thereafter, the committee shall report
19 its findings and any recommendations for proposed legislation to the speaker of the house of
20 representatives, the president of the senate, the house clerks, the senate clerk, the governor, and the
21 chair of the advisory committee on state procurement established in RSA 21-I:14-d.

22 2 Effective Date. This act shall take effect upon its passage.