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HOUSE BILL **71-FN**

AN ACT prohibiting the school facilities to be used to provide shelter for aliens, relative to department of health and human services contracts, requiring the use of public notices before re-assessment of property values for tax purposes, and relative to construction of a public pier on Hampton Beach and making an appropriation therefor.

SPONSORS: Rep. J. Harvey-Bolia, Belk. 3; Rep. Hill, Merr. 2; Rep. Pauer, Hills. 36; Rep. Peternel, Carr. 6; Rep. Sweeney, Rock. 25; Rep. Freeman, Belk. 8; Rep. Sabourin, Rock. 30; Rep. Thibault, Merr. 25; Sen. Murphy, Dist 16

COMMITTEE: Education Policy and Administration

AMENDED ANALYSIS

This bill:

I. Prohibits the use of public schools or institutions of higher learning from providing shelter for specified aliens who have not been admitted to the United States, absent a specified disaster.

II. Requires the department of health and human services to include references to the patients' bill of rights in contracts and contract addenda.

III. Establishes and makes an appropriation to the Hampton Beach State Park pier fund, a dedicated fund to be administered by the division of parks and recreation for the purpose of siting, permitting, designing, and constructing a public pier at Hampton Beach.

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Matter which is either (a) all new or (b) repealed and reenacted appears in regular type.

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

1 1 New Section; Prohibition on Use of School and Institution Facilities to Shelter Certain Aliens.

2 Amend RSA 126-A by inserting after section 32 the following new section:

3 126-A:32-a Prohibition on Use of School and Institution Facilities to Shelter Certain Aliens.

4 I. In this section:

5 (a) "Shelter or housing":

6 (1) Means emergency shelter or housing provided exclusively to specified aliens
7 under order of the federal government, a state, or a unit of local government; and

8 (2) Does not include short-term emergency shelter made necessary by a specified
9 disaster.

10 (b) "Short-term" means for a duration not to exceed 72 hours.

11 (c) "Specified alien" means an alien, as defined in section 101(a) of the Immigration and
12 Nationality Act, 8 U.S.C. section 1101(a), who has not been admitted, as so defined.

13 (d) "Specified disaster" means any fire, flood, hurricane, tornado, storm, high water,
14 tidal wave, earthquake, or snowstorm, for which a disaster declaration is made by the federal
15 government or a state.

16 II. As a condition on receipt of state financial assistance under any applicable program by a
17 district public school, chartered public school, public academy, or an institution of higher learning,
18 the facilities of the school or institution shall not be used to provide shelter or housing for specified
19 aliens.

20 2 Department of Health and Human Services; Contracts. All department of health and human
21 services contracts or contract amendments shall include a provision requiring the contractor to
22 comply with the patients' bill of rights as applicable pursuant to RSA 151:21.

23 3 Applicability. Section 2 of this act shall apply to contracts or contract amendments entered
24 into on or after the effective date of that section.

25 4 Repeal. Section 2 of this act, relative to department of health and human services contracts, is
26 repealed.

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1 5 Appraisal of Taxable Property; Annual Appraisal; Municipalities Over 10,000; 45-Day Notice
2 of Revaluation. Amend RSA 75:8-b to read as follows:

3 75:8-b Annual Appraisal; Municipalities Over 10,000. Except when assessing real estate under
4 RSA 75:8-a, any municipality with a population over 10,000 as determined pursuant to RSA 78-A:25
5 intending to appraise real estate annually at market value, as defined in RSA 75:1, shall authorize
6 such annual appraisal by a majority vote of the governing body. The governing body shall hold 2
7 public hearings regarding the annual appraisal process at least 15 days, but not more than 60 days,
8 prior to the governing body's authorization vote. Any municipality with a population over 10,000 as
9 determined pursuant to RSA 78-A:25 annually appraising real estate at market value shall provide
10 notification of changes to the assessed valuation **at least 45 days** prior to the issuance of the final
11 tax bill~~[, either]~~. **Such notice shall be** by individual notice to the property owner, by public notice
12 in a **local** newspaper of general circulation, **by public notice on the municipalities' main**
13 **website or any social media accounts utilized by the municipality, and public notice posted**
14 **in the 2 places where the municipality regularly posts notices of its governing body**
15 **meetings,** ~~[or]~~ **and** by any other means deemed appropriate by the governing body.

16 6 New Section; Five-Year Valuation Notice. Amend RSA 75 by inserting after section 8-b the
17 following new section:

18 75:8-c Five Year Valuation Notice. Any municipality that conducts a reappraisal of property
19 pursuant to RSA 75:8-a shall provide notification of changes to the assessed valuation at least 45
20 days prior to the issuance of the final tax bill. Such notice shall be by individual notice to the
21 property owner, by public notice in a local newspaper of general circulation, by public notice on the
22 municipalities' main website and any social media accounts utilized by the municipality, by public
23 notice posted in the 2 places where the municipality regularly posts notices of its governing body
24 meetings, and by any other means deemed appropriate by the governing body.

25 7 New Section; Hampton Beach State Park Pier Fund. Amend RSA 216-J by inserting after
26 section 5 the following new section:

27 216-J:6 Hampton Beach State Park Pier Fund. There is hereby established in the state
28 treasury a fund to be known as the Hampton Beach State Park pier fund, which shall be kept
29 separate and distinct from all other funds. The fund shall be continually appropriated to the
30 department of natural and cultural resources, division of parks and recreation, for the purpose of
31 obtaining engineering services, siting, permitting, final design, construction, and ongoing
32 maintenance of an accessible pier at Hampton Beach State Park. The division shall take into
33 consideration the recommendations and findings in the October 28, 2022, Hampton Beach New Pier
34 Feasibility Study, conducted by the Hampton Area Chamber of Commerce and the department of
35 natural and cultural resources, and the needs of persons with disabilities when designing and
36 constructing the pier. The division may accept appropriations, gifts, grants, and bequests from
37 individuals, corporations, foundations, government agencies, and public and private organizations

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1 and institutions for deposit into the fund. On July 1, 2035, the balance of fund shall be transferred to
2 the state park gifts and donations account established under RSA 216-A:3-o, and used by the
3 division for the purpose of expanding access to state parks for the disabled.

4 8 New Subparagraph; State Treasurer; Application of Receipts; Hampton Beach State Park Pier
5 Fund. Amend RSA 6:12, II(b) by inserting after subparagraph 399 the following new subparagraph:

6 (400) Moneys deposited in the Hampton Beach State Park pier fund as established
7 in RSA 216-J:6.

8 9 Division of Parks and Recreation; Hampton Beach State Park Pier; Appropriation. The sum of
9 \$1 for the biennium ending June 30, 2027, is hereby appropriated to division of parks and recreation
10 for deposit in the Hampton Beach State Park pier fund, established in RSA 216-J:6, for the purposes
11 of constructing an accessible public pier at Hampton Beach. The governor is authorized to draw a
12 warrant for said sum out of any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated.

13 10 Effective Date.

14 I. Section 4 of this act shall take effect November 30, 2026.

15 II. Sections 5-6 of this act shall take effect July 1, 2026.

16 III. Sections 7-9 of this act shall take effect July 1, 2025.

17 IV. The remainder of this act shall take effect 60 days after its passage.

**HB 71-FN- FISCAL NOTE
AS AMENDED BY THE HOUSE (AMENDMENT #2025-0555h)**

AN ACT prohibiting the use of the facilities of a public elementary school, a public secondary school, or an institution of higher education to provide shelter for aliens who have not been admitted into the United States and relative to department of health and human services contracts.

FISCAL IMPACT: This bill does not provide funding, nor does it authorize new positions.

Estimated State Impact				
	FY 2025	FY 2026	FY 2027	FY 2028
Revenue	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
<i>Revenue Fund(s)</i>	None			
Expenditures*	\$0	Indeterminable		
<i>Funding Source(s)</i>	None			
Appropriations*	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
<i>Funding Source(s)</i>	None			

*Expenditure = Cost of bill

*Appropriation = Authorized funding to cover cost of bill

METHODOLOGY:

This bill prohibits certain educational facilities from being used to provide shelter to specified aliens who have not been admitted into the United States. The Department of Health and Human Services suggests that the bill may conflict with federal guidance, potentially resulting in the loss of federal funding from the Office of Refugee Resettlement and the Department of Housing and Urban Development. In the worst-case scenario in which all such funding were withheld, the Department estimates the loss of federal revenue at \$12 to \$18 million per year. The fiscal impact, therefore, ranges from \$0 to \$18 million.

The Department of Education states that the bill will have no impact on that Department.

AGENCIES CONTACTED:

Departments of Education and Health and Human Services