

SB 527 - AS INTRODUCED

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SENATE BILL **527**

AN ACT relative to written notice provided by state agencies to municipalities regarding pending applications.

SPONSORS: Sen. Lang, Dist 2; Sen. Pearl, Dist 17; Sen. Watters, Dist 4; Sen. Sullivan, Dist 18; Sen. Murphy, Dist 16; Sen. Innis, Dist 7

COMMITTEE: Executive Departments and Administration

ANALYSIS

This bill broadens the scope of what comprises notice from first class mail to all written forms of notice.

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Matter which is either (a) all new or (b) repealed and reenacted appears in regular type.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 written notice provided by state agencies to municipalities regarding pending applications.

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

1 1 Notice to Municipalities. Amend RSA 541-A:39, I-II to read as follows:

2 I. In addition to any other requirements imposed by this chapter, each agency shall [~~give~~
3 **ensure written** notice to and afford all affected municipalities reasonable opportunity to submit
4 data, views, or comments with respect to the issuance of a permit, license, or any action within its
5 boundaries that directly affects the municipality. Such actions shall include those which may have
6 an effect on land use, land development, or transportation; those which would result in the operation
7 of a business; or those which would have an immediate fiscal impact on the municipality or require
8 the provision of additional municipal services.

9 II. Each agency shall [~~give notice by first class mail~~] **ensure written notice is provided** to
10 the town or city clerk.

11 2 Effective Date. This act shall take effect 60 days after its passage.