

HB 1311-FN-A - AS INTRODUCED

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HOUSE BILL            ***1311-FN-A***

AN ACT                establishing a regulatory analysis fund to evaluate the economic impact of proposed rules and making an appropriation therefor.

SPONSORS:            Rep. Layon, Rock. 13

COMMITTEE:          Finance

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ANALYSIS

This bill establishes a regulatory analysis fund to support economic impact reviews of proposed administrative rules and authorizes the joint legislative committee to hire external analysts and makes an appropriation therefor.

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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Matter which is either (a) all new or (b) repealed and reenacted appears in regular type.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                    establishing a regulatory analysis fund to evaluate the economic impact of proposed rules and making an appropriation therefor.

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

1            1 New Section; Regulatory Analysis Fund. Amend RSA 541-A by inserting after section 41 the  
2 following new section:

3            541-A:42 Regulatory Analysis Fund.

4            I. There is established in the office of the state treasurer a nonlapsing fund to be known as  
5 the regulatory analysis fund, which shall be kept distinct and separate from all other funds. The  
6 regulatory analysis fund shall assist the joint legislative committee on administrative rules and the  
7 general court in determining the economic impact of rules proposed under this chapter on the state's  
8 economy.

9            II. The joint legislative committee may, by majority vote, authorize the chair, working with  
10 the office of legislative services, to hire an external economic analyst to evaluate the impact of rules  
11 proposed under this chapter, subject to the availability of funds within the regulatory analysis fund.

12            III. The treasurer shall deposit into the regulatory analysis fund any funds appropriated by  
13 the legislature, as well as any funds transferred by the fiscal committee of the general court, and  
14 shall credit any interest or income earned on monies on deposit to the fund.

15            2 Appropriation. There is hereby appropriated from the general fund to the regulatory analysis  
16 fund the sum of \$1 for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2026. The governor is authorized to draw a  
17 warrant for said sum out of any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated.

18            3 New Subparagraphs; Application of Receipts; Regulatory Analysis Fund. Amend RSA 6:12,  
19 I(b) by inserting after subparagraph (410) the following new subparagraphs:

20                            (411) Moneys deposited in the regulatory analysis fund as established in RSA 541-  
21 A:42.

22            4 Effective Date. This act shall take effect 60 days after its passage.

**HB 1311-FN-A- FISCAL NOTE  
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**FISCAL IMPACT: Section 2 appropriates \$1.**

<b>Estimated State Impact</b>				
	<b>FY 2026</b>	<b>FY 2027</b>	<b>FY 2028</b>	<b>FY 2029</b>
<b>Revenue</b>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
<i>Revenue Fund(s)</i>	None			
<b>Expenditures*</b>	\$0	Indeterminable Increase		
<i>Funding Source(s)</i>	General Fund			
<b>Appropriations*</b>	\$1	\$0	\$0	\$0
<i>Funding Source(s)</i>	General Fund			

\*Expenditure = Cost of bill

\*Appropriation = Authorized funding to cover cost of bill

**METHODOLOGY:**

This bill establishes a nonlapsing fund called the Regulatory Analysis Fund to allow the Joint Legislative Committee on Administrative Rules to contract with external economic analysts for evaluating the economic impact of proposed administrative rules. It includes an appropriation of \$1 for FY 2026 to initiate the fund.

It is assumed that any fiscal impact would occur after FY 2026.

**AGENCIES CONTACTED:**

None