

HB 1581-FN - AS INTRODUCED

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HOUSE BILL            ***1581-FN***

AN ACT                requiring municipalities to give notice to property owners when the assessed value of their property changes.

SPONSORS:            Rep. Wherry, Hills. 13; Rep. Ford, Rock. 3; Rep. McFarlane, Graf. 18; Rep. McGrath, Rock. 40; Rep. Mary Murphy, Hills. 27; Rep. Pauer, Hills. 36

COMMITTEE:          Municipal and County Government

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ANALYSIS

This bill requires municipalities to send a general notice of any change in a property's assessed valuation to the property owner within 14 days of recording the change, unless the adjustment is part of a municipality-wide revaluation.

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Matter which is either (a) all new or (b) repealed and reenacted appears in regular type.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

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

1            1 New Paragraph; Appraisal of Taxable Property; Revised Inventory. Amend RSA 75:8 by  
2 inserting after paragraph II the following new paragraph:

3            III. If an adjustment to an assessment is made in accordance with this section, the  
4 municipality shall mail a general notice to the property owner within 14 calendar days of the  
5 adjustment being recorded by the municipality, that there has been a change in their assessment.  
6 Such notice shall include the city or town hall information (address, hours of operation, phone  
7 number), and information to access the assessment online if supported by the municipality.

8            2 Effective Date. This act shall take effect 60 days after its passage.

**HB 1581-FN- FISCAL NOTE  
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**FISCAL IMPACT:**

<b>Estimated Political Subdivision Impact</b>				
	<b>FY 2026</b>	<b>FY 2027</b>	<b>FY 2028</b>	<b>FY 2029</b>
<b>County Revenue</b>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
<b>County Expenditures</b>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
<b>Local Revenue</b>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
<b>Local Expenditures</b>	\$0	Indeterminable Increase (less than \$10,000 per municipality)		

**METHODOLOGY:**

This bill requires a municipality to mail a notice to a property owner within 14 calendar days of a property assessment adjustment pursuant being recorded by the municipality.

The New Hampshire Municipal Association estimates this bill may result in an indeterminable increase in municipal expenses, likely under \$10,000 per municipality, due to staff time, printing, and mailing required to issue notices. Larger municipalities could incur higher costs.

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

**AGENCIES CONTACTED:**

New Hampshire Municipal Association