

HB 1019 - VERSION ADOPTED BY BOTH BODIES

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HOUSE BILL            **1019**

AN ACT                relative to the composition of the state water well board.

SPONSORS:            Rep. Petrigno, Hills. 43; Rep. Knab, Rock. 12; Rep. B. Boyd, Hills. 12; Rep. M. Murray, Hills. 37; Rep. Dargie, Hills. 43; Rep. Veilleux, Hills. 34; Rep. N. Murphy, Hills. 12; Rep. W. Thomas, Hills. 12; Sen. Watters, Dist 4; Sen. McGough, Dist 11

COMMITTEE:          Resources, Recreation and Development

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AMENDED ANALYSIS

This bill removes the state geologist from the state water well board.

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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Matter which is either (a) all new or (b) repealed and reenacted appears in regular type.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 relative to the composition of the state water well board.

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

1           1 Water Management and Protection; New Hampshire Water Well Board; Water Well Board.  
2 Amend RSA 482-B:3, I to read as follows:

3           I. There is created a board to be known as the New Hampshire water well board. The water  
4 well board shall be administered by the commissioner of environmental services. The board shall  
5 consist of [7] **6** members who are residents of the state, appointed by the governor with the advice  
6 and consent of the council as follows: one member shall be the commissioner, department of  
7 environmental services, or designee; ~~one shall be the state geologist;~~ 2 shall be active water well  
8 contractors with at least 10 years of experience; one shall be an active pump installer with at least  
9 10 years of experience; one shall be an active technical driller licensed in the state of New  
10 Hampshire with at least 10 years of experience; and one shall be a member of the public who has  
11 demonstrated concern for and knowledge of water resources management in New Hampshire. Each  
12 member shall hold office for a term of 3 years and until a successor is appointed and qualified. No  
13 member shall serve more than 2 consecutive terms. Appointments to fill vacancies shall be for the  
14 unexpired term. The governor and council may remove any member of the board for good cause.

15           2 Effective Date. This act shall take effect upon its passage.