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SENATE BILL ***223-FN***

AN ACT relative to valid photo identification for purposes of obtaining a ballot and relative to the production of lists of certain schools of higher education.

SPONSORS: Sen. Sullivan, Dist 18; Sen. Murphy, Dist 16; Rep. Rice, Hills. 38; Rep. Notter, Hills. 12; Rep. Moffett, Merr. 4

COMMITTEE: Election Law and Municipal Affairs

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AMENDED ANALYSIS

This bill requires that only the forms of identification listed in RSA 659:13, II(a) be used to satisfy voter identification requirements.

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Matter which is either (a) all new or (b) repealed and reenacted appears in regular type.

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STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

*In the Year of Our Lord Two Thousand Twenty-Six*

AN ACT                      relative to valid photo identification for purposes of obtaining a ballot and relative to the production of lists of certain schools of higher education.

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

1            243:1 Election Procedure; Voting Procedure; Obtaining a Ballot. Amend the introductory paragraph  
2 of RSA 659:13, II(a) to read as follows:

3            II.(a) A valid photo identification shall show the name of the individual to whom the identification  
4 was issued, and the name shall substantially conform to the name in the individual's voter registration  
5 record; it also shall show a photograph of the individual to whom the identification was issued. The photo  
6 identification shall also have an expiration date that has not been exceeded by a period of more than 5  
7 years, except that a voter 65 years of age or older may use an otherwise qualified form of identification  
8 without regard to expiration date. ~~[The]~~ **Only the** following forms of identification bearing a photograph of  
9 the voter shall satisfy the identification requirements of paragraph I:

10          243:2 Repeal. RSA 21-N:4, VII, relative to the duty of the commissioner of the department of  
11 education to provide a list of certain schools operating in New Hampshire to the secretary of state, is  
12 repealed.

13          243:3 Effective Date. This act shall take effect 60 days after its passage.

Approved: July 02, 2026  
Effective Date: August 31, 2026

