

HB 199 - AS INTRODUCED

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HOUSE BILL **199**

AN ACT extending the statute of limitation on civil actions relative to damage caused by per-and polyfluoroalkyl substances (PFAS).

SPONSORS: Rep. Vail, Hills. 6; Rep. Rung, Hills. 12; Rep. W. Thomas, Hills. 12; Rep. Meuse, Rock. 37; Rep. Grote, Rock. 24; Rep. Ebel, Merr. 7; Rep. McGhee, Hills. 35; Rep. N. Murphy, Hills. 12; Rep. Petrigno, Hills. 43; Rep. Darby, Hills. 11; Sen. Watters, Dist 4; Sen. Altschiller, Dist 24; Sen. Fenton, Dist 10

COMMITTEE: Judiciary

ANALYSIS

This bill extends the statute of limitation on civil actions brought relative to damage caused by PFAS.

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Matter which is either (a) all new or (b) repealed and reenacted appears in regular type.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

AN ACT extending the statute of limitation on civil actions relative to damage caused by per-and polyfluoroalkyl substances (PFAS).

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

1 1 Statute of Limitations; Civil Actions; PFAS Exposure. Amend RSA 485-H:12 to read as
2 follows:

3 485-H:12 Statute of Limitations; Civil Actions; PFAS Exposure.

4 ***Notwithstanding RSA 508:4, a*** [A] civil action arising out of any harm or injury caused by a
5 person or entity found legally responsible for or an action for any damages resulting from a PFAS
6 exposure may be brought within the [6] **20** years after the date the plaintiff discovers, or in the
7 exercise of reasonable diligence should have discovered, such harm, injury, or damages and the
8 causal relationship of an act or omission to such harm, injury or damages. Nothing in this section
9 shall be construed as limiting any action brought by the state.

10 2 Effective Date. This act shall take effect January 1, 2026.