

HB 1553-FN - AS INTRODUCED

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HOUSE BILL ***1553-FN***

AN ACT relative to roadside memorials.

SPONSORS: Rep. Eaton, Ches. 3; Rep. Jack, Hills. 36; Rep. Cloutier, Sull. 10; Rep. Graham, Hills. 7

COMMITTEE: Public Works and Highways

ANALYSIS

This bill prohibits a roadside memorial located within the right of way of any primary or secondary highway and requires the department of transportation to remove any roadside memorial after 90 days from the date of the event being memorialized.

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 Matter which is either (a) all new or (b) repealed and reenacted appears in regular type.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

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

1 1 Removal of Obstructions. Amend RSA 236:29 to read as follows:

2 236:29 Removal of Obstructions.

3 ***I.*** The department of transportation may remove all obstructions in class I, class II, class III,
4 or class III-a highways, and the highway agent of any city or town may remove all obstructions on
5 any other highway and on town maintained portions of class II highways.

6 ***II. No roadside memorials are permitted within the right of way of any primary or***
7 ***secondary highway. If not removed pursuant to RSA 236:29, I, the department of***
8 ***transportation shall remove and dispose of any roadside memorial after 90 days***
9 ***commencing from the date of the event being memorialized.***

10 2 Effective Date. This act shall take effect 60 days after its passage.

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**HB 1553-FN- FISCAL NOTE
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FISCAL IMPACT:

The Legislative Budget Assistant has determined that this legislation, as introduced, has a total fiscal impact of less than \$10,000 in each of the fiscal years 2022 through 2025.

AGENCIES CONTACTED:

Department of Transportation