

Amendment to SB 505-FN

1 Amend the title of the bill by replacing it with the following:

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3 AN ACT relative to applications for guide licenses and repealing the fee for temporary
4 registration of nonresidents relative to OHRVs.
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6 Amend the bill by replacing all after the enacting clause with the following:

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8 1 Guide Licenses. Amend RSA 215:2 to read as follows:

9 215:2 Application for License; Issue.

10 Application for a license shall be made to the [~~executive director, or their designee~~] **chief of the fish**
11 **and game law enforcement division**. The executive director shall prescribe rules and regulations
12 under which such licenses shall be issued.

13 I. Every new applicant applying for a New Hampshire guide's license for the first time shall
14 submit to the fish and game department a criminal history record release form, as provided by the
15 New Hampshire division of state police, which authorizes the release of any criminal history record
16 to the department.

17 II. The applicant shall submit with the release form a complete set of fingerprints taken by a
18 qualified law enforcement agency or an authorized employee of the department of safety. In the
19 event that the first set of fingerprints is invalid due to insufficient pattern, a second set of
20 fingerprints shall be necessary in order to complete the criminal history records check. If, after 2
21 attempts, a set of fingerprints is invalid due to insufficient pattern, the department may, in lieu of
22 the criminal history records check, accept police clearances from every city, town, or county where
23 the person has lived during the past 5 years.

24 III. The department shall submit the criminal history records release form and fingerprint
25 form to the division of state police which shall conduct a criminal history records check through its
26 records and through the Federal Bureau of Investigation. Upon completion of the records check, the
27 division of state police shall release copies of the criminal history records to the [~~department~~] **chief**
28 **of the fish and game law enforcement division**.

29 IV. The chief of the fish and game law enforcement division or their designee shall review
30 the criminal record information prior to making a registration decision and shall maintain the
31 confidentiality of all criminal history records received pursuant to this section.

32 V. The applicant shall bear the cost of a criminal history record check.

1 ***VI. For the purposes of this section, "department" means the enforcement division of***
2 ***the New Hampshire fish and game department.***

3 2 Repeal. The following are repealed:

4 I. RSA 215-A:23, V-b, relative to temporary registration fees for OHRVs for nonresidents.

5 II. RSA 215-A:23, VIII-a, relative to enhancements for enforcement of and compliance with
6 certain OHRV laws.

7 3 Effective Date. This act shall take effect November 1, 2026.

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AMENDED ANALYSIS

This bill requires applicants for guide licenses to apply to the chief of the law enforcement division of the fish and game department and repeals the fee for temporary registration of nonresidents relative to OHRVs.