

HB 87-FN - VERSION ADOPTED BY BOTH BODIES

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HOUSE BILL **87-FN**

AN ACT prohibiting the posting of land not owned by the poster.

SPONSORS: Rep. Love, Rock. 13

COMMITTEE: Criminal Justice and Public Safety

ANALYSIS

This bill prohibits the posting of land not owned by the poster and creates a penalty therefor.

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Matter which is either (a) all new or (b) repealed and reenacted appears in regular type.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 prohibiting the posting of land not owned by the poster.

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

1 1 Unauthorized Entries; Prescribed Manner of Posting; Penalty Added. Amend RSA 635:5 to
2 read as follows:

3 635:5 Penalty.

4 ***I.*** Any person who is found removing, defacing or destroying any sign, poster or property of
5 another shall be guilty of a class B misdemeanor.

6 ***II.*** ***Any person who knowingly places a sign or poster prohibiting certain physical***
7 ***activity on the land pursuant to RSA 635:4 on any land for which the person knows that he***
8 ***or she has no legal right nor any reasonable basis for belief of having such a right, shall be***
9 ***guilty of a class B misdemeanor; except that notwithstanding RSA 651:2, the person shall***
10 ***be fined \$200 for a first offense or \$500 for a second or subsequent offense.***

11 2 Effective Date. This act shall take effect January 1, 2026.

**HB 87- FISCAL NOTE
AS AMENDED BY THE SENATE (AMENDMENT # 2025-1368s)**

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FISCAL IMPACT:

Estimated State Impact				
	FY 2025	FY 2026	FY 2027	FY 2028
Revenue	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
<i>Revenue Fund</i>	None			
Expenditures*	Indeterminable			
<i>Funding Source</i>	General Fund			
Appropriations*	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
<i>Funding Source</i>	None			

*Expenditure = Cost of bill

*Appropriation = Authorized funding to cover cost of bill

Estimated Political Subdivision Impact				
	FY 2025	FY 2026	FY 2027	FY 2028
County Revenue	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
County Expenditures	Indeterminable			
Local Revenue	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Local Expenditures	Indeterminable			

METHODOLOGY:

This bill adds, deletes, or modifies a criminal penalty, or changes statute to which there is a penalty for violation. Therefore, this bill may have an impact on the judicial and correctional systems, which could affect prosecution, incarceration, probation, and parole costs, for the state, as well as county and local governments. A summary of such costs can be found at: https://gencourt.state.nh.us/lba/Budget/Fiscal_Notes/JudicialCorrectionalCosts.pdf

AGENCIES CONTACTED:

Judicial Branch, Judicial Council, Department of Justice, Department of Corrections, New Hampshire Association of Counties, and New Hampshire Municipal Association