

HB 404 - VERSION ADOPTED BY BOTH BODIES

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HOUSE BILL ***404***

AN ACT relative to information on the hike safe card.

SPONSORS: Rep. Darby, Hills. 11; Rep. Telerski, Hills. 11

COMMITTEE: Fish and Game and Marine Resources

ANALYSIS

This bill includes domestic partners and their children in the definition of family for purposes of purchasing a "Hike Safe" card.

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 Matter which is either (a) all new or (b) repealed and reenacted appears in regular type.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 relative to information on the hike safe card.

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

1 1 Family "Hike Safe" Card. Amend RSA 206:26-bb, I(c) to read as follows:

2 (c) A voluntary hike safe card. The executive director shall adopt rules under RSA 541-
3 A for the issuance to purchasers on the department's Internet site, and subsequent annual renewals,
4 of a hike safe card prior to a person's need for a search and rescue response. The executive director
5 shall establish the fee for an individual hike safe card and a family hike safe card in rules adopted
6 pursuant to RSA 541-A. A "family" shall consist of the purchaser, the purchaser's spouse **or**
7 **domestic partner**, and the purchaser's minor children, ~~or~~ stepchildren, **or the minor children of**
8 **the purchaser's domestic partner**. In addition, if the purchaser or the purchaser's spouse **or**
9 **domestic partner** has been appointed as a family guardian for an individual under RSA 464-A, that
10 individual shall be considered part of the purchaser's family. A transaction fee determined by the
11 department shall be for the Internet license agent as provided in RSA 214-A:2. The executive
12 director shall forward to the state treasurer the sum collected from each individual hike safe card
13 purchased and each family hike safe card purchased, less the amount of such transaction fee, for
14 deposit in the fish and game search and rescue fund under RSA 206:42. **For purposes of this**
15 **subparagraph, "domestic partner" means someone who shares the same address as the**
16 **purchaser.**

17 2 Effective Date. This act shall take effect 60 days after its passage.