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HOUSE BILL **71-FN**

AN ACT prohibiting school facilities from being used to provide shelter for aliens; relative to department of health and human services contracts; and requiring the use of public notices before reassessment of property values for tax purposes.

SPONSORS: Rep. J. Harvey-Bolia, Belk. 3; Rep. Hill, Merr. 2; Rep. Pauer, Hills. 36; Rep. Peternel, Carr. 6; Rep. Sweeney, Rock. 25; Rep. Freeman, Belk. 8; Rep. Sabourin, Rock. 30; Rep. Thibault, Merr. 25; Sen. Murphy, Dist 16

COMMITTEE: Education Policy and Administration

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AMENDED ANALYSIS

This bill:

I. Prohibits the use of public schools or institutions of higher learning from providing shelter for specified aliens who have not been admitted to the United States, absent a specified disaster.

II. Requires the department of health and human services to include references to the patients' bill of rights in contracts and contract addenda.

III. Revises notice requirements prior to reappraisal of taxable property.

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Explanation: Matter added to current law appears in ***bold italics***.  
Matter removed from current law appears [~~in brackets and struck through.~~]  
Matter which is either (a) all new or (b) repealed and reenacted appears in regular type.

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STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

*In the Year of Our Lord Two Thousand Twenty Five*

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

1 1 New Section; Prohibition on Use of School and Institution Facilities to Shelter Certain Aliens.  
2 Amend RSA 126-A by inserting after section 32 the following new section:

3 126-A:32-a Prohibition on Use of School and Institution Facilities to Shelter Certain Aliens.

4 I. In this section:

5 (a) "Shelter or housing":

6 (1) Means emergency shelter or housing provided exclusively to specified aliens  
7 under order of the federal government, a state, or a unit of local government; and

8 (2) Does not include short-term emergency shelter made necessary by a specified  
9 disaster.

10 (b) "Short-term" means for a duration not to exceed 72 hours.

11 (c) "Specified alien" means an alien, as defined in section 101(a) of the Immigration and  
12 Nationality Act, 8 U.S.C. section 1101(a), who has not been admitted, as so defined.

13 (d) "Specified disaster" means any fire, flood, hurricane, tornado, storm, high water,  
14 tidal wave, earthquake, or snowstorm, for which a disaster declaration is made by the federal  
15 government or a state.

16 II. As a condition on receipt of state financial assistance under any applicable program by a  
17 district public school, chartered public school, public academy, or an institution of higher learning,  
18 the facilities of the school or institution shall not be used to provide shelter or housing for specified  
19 aliens.

20 2 Department of Health and Human Services; Contracts. All department of health and human  
21 services contracts or contract amendments shall include a provision requiring the contractor to  
22 comply with the patients' bill of rights as applicable pursuant to RSA 151:21.

23 3 Applicability. Section 2 of this act shall apply to contracts or contract amendments entered  
24 into on or after the effective date of that section.

25 4 Appraisal of Taxable Property; Annual Appraisal; Municipalities Over 10,000; 45-Day Notice  
26 of Revaluation. Amend RSA 75:8-b to read as follows:

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1           75:8-b Annual Appraisal; Municipalities Over 10,000. Except when assessing real estate under  
2 RSA 75:8-a, any municipality with a population over 10,000 as determined pursuant to RSA 78-A:25  
3 intending to appraise real estate annually at market value, as defined in RSA 75:1, shall authorize  
4 such annual appraisal by a majority vote of the governing body. The governing body shall hold 2  
5 public hearings regarding the annual appraisal process at least 15 days, but not more than 60 days,  
6 prior to the governing body's authorization vote. Any municipality with a population over 10,000 as  
7 determined pursuant to RSA 78-A:25 annually appraising real estate at market value shall provide  
8 notification of changes to the assessed valuation **at least 45 days** prior to the issuance of the final  
9 tax bill~~[, either]~~. **Such notice shall be** ~~[by individual notice to the property owner,]~~ by public notice  
10 in a **local** newspaper of general circulation, **by public notice on the municipalities' main**  
11 **website or any social media accounts utilized by the municipality, and public notice posted**  
12 **in the 2 places where the municipality regularly posts notices of its governing body**  
13 **meetings**, or by any other means deemed appropriate by the governing body.

14           5 New Section; Five-Year Valuation Notice. Amend RSA 75 by inserting after section 8-b the  
15 following new section:

16           75:8-c Five Year Valuation Notice. Any municipality that conducts a reappraisal of property  
17 pursuant to RSA 75:8-a shall provide notification of changes to the assessed valuation at least 45  
18 days prior to the issuance of the final tax bill. Such notice shall be by public notice in a local  
19 newspaper of general circulation, by public notice on the municipalities' main website and any social  
20 media accounts utilized by the municipality, by public notice posted in the 2 places where the  
21 municipality regularly posts notices of its governing body meetings, or by any other means deemed  
22 appropriate by the governing body.

23           6 Effective Date.

24           I. Sections 4 and 5 of this act shall take effect July 1, 2026.

25           II. The remainder of this act shall take effect 60 days after its passage.

**HB 71-FN- FISCAL NOTE  
AS AMENDED BY THE HOUSE (AMENDMENT #2025-0555h)**

AN ACT prohibiting the use of the facilities of a public elementary school, a public secondary school, or an institution of higher education to provide shelter for aliens who have not been admitted into the United States and relative to department of health and human services contracts.

**FISCAL IMPACT:** This bill does not provide funding, nor does it authorize new positions.

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

\*Expenditure = Cost of bill

\*Appropriation = Authorized funding to cover cost of bill

**METHODOLOGY:**

This bill prohibits certain educational facilities from being used to provide shelter to specified aliens who have not been admitted into the United States. The Department of Health and Human Services suggests that the bill may conflict with federal guidance, potentially resulting in the loss of federal funding from the Office of Refugee Resettlement and the Department of Housing and Urban Development. In the worst-case scenario in which all such funding were withheld, the Department estimates the loss of federal revenue at \$12 to \$18 million per year. The fiscal impact, therefore, ranges from \$0 to \$18 million.

The Department of Education states that the bill will have no impact on that Department.

**AGENCIES CONTACTED:**

Departments of Education and Health and Human Services