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HOUSE BILL ***309-FN***

AN ACT relative to making electronic rent payments optional.

SPONSORS: Rep. Mooney, Hills. 12; Rep. B. Boyd, Hills. 12; Rep. Miles, Hills. 12; Sen. Innis, Dist 7

COMMITTEE: Housing

ANALYSIS

This bill prohibits landlords from requiring a tenant or prospective tenant to pay by electronic funds transfers.

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 Matter which is either (a) all new or (b) repealed and reenacted appears in regular type.

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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:

- 1 176:1 New Paragraph; Prohibited Practice and Security Deposits; Certain Specific Acts Prohibited.
2 Amend RSA 540-A:3 by inserting after paragraph IX the following new paragraph:
3 X. A landlord shall not require a tenant or prospective tenant to pay any amount due under a
4 residential lease, renewal, or extension agreement solely via electronic funds transfer, including, but not
5 limited to, any automatic, recurring electronic funds transfers. The landlord shall allow at least one other
6 non-electronic form of payment for the purposes of this section.
7 176:2 Proceedings In Special Cases; Prohibited Practices and Security Deposits; Remedies. Amend
8 RSA 540-A:4, IX(d) to read as follows:
9 (d) The provisions of subparagraph (a) shall not apply to any violation of 540-A:3, V-a, V-b,
10 [~~or~~] V-c, *or X*.
11 176:3 Effective Date. This act shall take effect January 1, 2026.

Approved: July 15, 2025
Effective Date: January 01, 2026

