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HOUSE BILL

780

AN ACT relative to the director of the division of archives and records management of the department of state.

SPONSORS: Rep. Gilmore, Straf. 16

COMMITTEE: Executive Departments and Administration

ANALYSIS

This bill makes the statutes relative to the director of the division of archives and records management of the department of state gender neutral.

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Matter which is either (a) all new or (b) repealed and reenacted appears in regular type.

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STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

In the Year of Our Lord Two Thousand Twenty Five

AN ACT relative to the director of the division of archives and records management of the department of state.

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

1 212:1 Director; Archives and Records Management. Amend RSA 5:30, VII to read as follows:

2 VII. Collect, arrange, transcribe, and cause to be printed such portions of the early state and
3 provincial records as [he] ***the director*** may deem expedient in such style, form, and printed quality as he
4 may determine.

5 212:2 Director; Archives and Records Management. Amend the introductory paragraph of RSA 5:31
6 to read as follows:

7 The director, subject to the supervision of the secretary of state, shall have charge of the records
8 center. [He] ***The director*** shall, subject to the provisions of RSA 5:40, adopt rules governing:

9 212:3 Director; Archives and Records Management. Amend RSA 5:33, III and IV to read as follows:

10 III. Submit to the director, in accordance with the standards established by [him] ***the director*** in
11 rules adopted under RSA 5:40, schedules proposing the length of time each state record series warrants
12 retention for administrative, legal, or fiscal purposes after it has been received by the agency. The head
13 of each agency shall submit lists of state records in [his] ***the agency's*** custody that are of permanent and
14 historical value to the state. [He] ***The head of each agency*** shall likewise submit lists of state records in
15 [his] ***the agency's*** custody that are not needed in the transaction of current business and that do not have
16 sufficient administrative, legal, or fiscal value to warrant their further keeping.

17 IV. Cooperate with the director in the conduct of surveys made by [him] ***the director*** pursuant to
18 the provisions of this subdivision.

212:4 Effective Date. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

Approved: July 15, 2025
Effective Date: July 15, 2025