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SENATE BILL

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AN ACT relative to terrain permitting.

SPONSORS: Sen. Lang, Dist 2; Sen. Pearl, Dist 17; Rep. Moffett, Merr. 4

COMMITTEE: Energy and Natural Resources

AMENDED ANALYSIS

This bill establishes fees for applications for terrain alteration and requires the department of environmental services to adopt rules to establish a permit by notification for certain projects with plans encompassing an area less than 150,000 square feet.

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Matter which is either (a) all new or (b) repealed and reenacted appears in regular type.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

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

1 231:1 Terrain Alteration. Amend RSA 485-A:17, II(a) to read as follows:

2 II.(a) The department shall charge a fee for ~~[each review of plans]~~ **applications**, including project
3 inspections, required under this section.~~[The plan review fee shall be based on the total area to be~~
4 ~~disturbed.]~~ **For projects that qualify for a permit by notification allowed by paragraph II-a, the application**
5 **fee for a permit by notification shall be \$3,125.** Except for ~~[property subject to RSA 483-B:9]~~ **projects that**
6 **qualify for a permit by notification allowed by paragraph II-a**, the fee for ~~[review of plans]~~ **applications**
7 encompassing an area of at least ~~[100,000]~~ **150,000** square feet but less than 200,000 square feet shall
8 be ~~[\$3,125]~~ **\$6,250.** ~~[For the property subject to RSA 483-B:9, the fee for review of plans encompassing~~
9 ~~an area of at least 50,000 square feet but less than 200,000 square feet shall be \$3,125.]~~ An additional
10 fee of ~~[\$1,250]~~ **\$2,500** shall be assessed for each additional area of up to 100,000 square feet to be
11 disturbed. **For any property subject to RSA 483-B:9, the fee for review of plans encompassing an area of**
12 **at least 50,000 square feet but less than 150,000 square feet shall be \$5,000. For all other projects, the**
13 **fee shall be \$500 plus \$0.005 per square foot of disturbance.** No application shall be accepted by the
14 department until the fee required by this paragraph is paid. All fees required under this paragraph shall be
15 paid when plans are submitted for review and shall be deposited in the water resources fund established
16 in RSA 482-A:3, III.

17 (b) The department shall charge a non-refundable fee of \$500 ~~[plus a \$.10 fee per square~~
18 ~~foot of disturbance associated with the amendment request]~~ for each request to amend a permit that
19 requires plans to be reviewed.

20 231:2 Permit by Notification. RSA 485-A:17, II-a is repealed and reenacted to read as follows:

21 II-a. By January 1, 2026, the department shall adopt rules to establish a permit by notification for
22 projects with plans encompassing an area less than 150,000 square feet that are not subject to RSA 483-
23 B:9.

24 231:3 Effective Date. This act shall take effect 60 days after its passage.

Approved: July 15, 2025
Effective Date: September 13, 2025

