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HOUSE BILL

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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

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.

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Matter which is either (a) all new or (b) repealed and reenacted appears in regular type.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

1 265:1 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 under
7 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, tidal
14 wave, earthquake, or snowstorm, for which a disaster declaration is made by the federal government or a
15 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, the
18 facilities of the school or institution shall not be used to provide shelter or housing for specified aliens.

19 265:2 Department of Health and Human Services; Contracts. All department of health and human
20 services contracts or contract amendments shall include a provision requiring the contractor to comply
21 with the patients' bill of rights as applicable pursuant to RSA 151:21.

22 265:3 Applicability. Section 2 of this act shall apply to contracts or contract amendments entered into
23 on or after the effective date of that section.

24 265:4 Appraisal of Taxable Property; Annual Appraisal; Municipalities Over 10,000; 45-Day Notice of
25 Revaluation. Amend RSA 75:8-b to read as follows:

26 75:8-b Annual Appraisal; Municipalities Over 10,000. Except when assessing real estate under RSA
27 75:8-a, any municipality with a population over 10,000 as determined pursuant to RSA 78-A:25 intending
28 to appraise real estate annually at market value, as defined in RSA 75:1, shall authorize such annual

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

10 265:5 New Section; Five-Year Valuation Notice. Amend RSA 75 by inserting after section 8-b the
11 following new section:

12 75:8-c Five Year Valuation Notice. Any municipality that conducts a reappraisal of property pursuant
13 to RSA 75:8-a shall provide notification of changes to the assessed valuation at least 45 days prior to the
14 issuance of the final tax bill. Such notice shall be by public notice in a local newspaper of general
15 circulation, by public notice on the municipalities' main website and any social media accounts utilized by
16 the municipality, by public notice posted in the 2 places where the municipality regularly posts notices of
17 its governing body meetings, or by any other means deemed appropriate by the governing body.

18 265:6 Effective Date.

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

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

Approved: August 01, 2025

Effective Date:

I. Sections 4 & 5 effective July 1, 2026

II. Remainder effective September 30, 2025

