

CHAPTER 284
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HOUSE BILL

658-FN

AN ACT raising the cap on certain reimbursements from the oil discharge and disposal cleanup fund.

SPONSORS: Rep. Edgar, Rock. 29; Rep. N. Murphy, Hills. 12; Sen. Watters, Dist 4; Sen. Pearl, Dist 17

COMMITTEE: Environment and Agriculture

ANALYSIS

This bill raises the cap on reimbursement from the oil discharge an disposal cleanup fund for owners of on-premise-use facilities who have demonstrated financial need.

This bill is a request of the department of environmental services.

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Matter which is either (a) all new or (b) repealed and reenacted appears in regular type.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 raising the cap on certain reimbursements from the oil discharge and disposal cleanup fund.

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

1 284:1 Oil Discharge and Disposal Cleanup Fund; Board Duties; Report Date. Amend RSA 146-D:5,
2 II to read as follows:

3 II. The board shall submit an annual report of the status of the oil discharge and disposal cleanup
4 fund no later than [~~October 1~~], **March 1** to the governor and council, speaker of the house, president of the
5 senate, house environment and agriculture committee and senate environment committee.

6 284:2 Oil Discharge and Disposal Cleanup Fund; Eligible Expenses and Availability of Funds.
7 Amend RSA 146-D:6, III to read as follows:

8 III. Owners of on-premises-use facilities who have demonstrated financial need may apply for
9 reimbursement of costs to meet local and department operating standards in amounts not to exceed a
10 total of [~~\$3,300~~] **\$4,000**, and may apply for reimbursement of underground storage tank abandonment or
11 removal costs in amounts not to exceed a total of [~~\$2,500~~] **\$4,500**.

12 284:3 Oil Pollution Control Fund; License Required; Effective January 1, 2026. Amend RSA 146-
13 A:11-b, II to read as follows:

14 II. Any person who imports or causes to be imported oil into the state, except those using oil
15 pipelines, railroads, and highways to transport oil products between states other than New Hampshire or
16 for international transport of oil products, shall be licensed by the department of safety under this chapter.
17 The annual fee for the license shall be [~~\$0.01625~~] **\$0.01546** per gallon of on-road and off-road gasoline
18 and diesel fuel, [~~\$0.01375~~] **\$0.02715** per gallon of fuel oil, diesel products, and used oil for on-premise
19 heating, [~~\$0.04125~~] **\$0.01478** per gallon of motor oil and [~~\$0.0125~~] **\$0.00215** per gallon of all other oil
20 imported into this state. The fee shall be paid monthly by such person to the department of safety. The
21 department of safety shall deposit the first \$125,000 of fees paid in each fiscal year into the general fund.
22 The remainder shall be deposited into the oil pollution control fund established under RSA 146-A:11-a,
23 and the oil discharge and disposal cleanup established under RSA 146-D:3, I, based on an allocation
24 determined for each fiscal year by the department of environmental services and the oil fund
25 disbursement board. Imposition of the fee shall be based on the record of the person and certified as
26 accurate to the department of safety.

27 284:4 Oil Pollution Control Fund; License Required; Effective July 1, 2035. Amend RSA 146-A:11-b,
28 II to read as follows:

29 II. Any person who imports or causes to be imported oil into the state, except those using oil
30 pipelines, railroads, and highways to transport oil products between states other than New Hampshire or
31 for international transport of oil products, shall be licensed by the department of safety under this chapter.

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1 The annual fee for the license shall be [~~\$0.01546 per gallon of on-road and off-road gasoline and diesel~~
2 ~~fuel, \$0.02715 per gallon of fuel oil, diesel products, and used oil for on-premise heating, \$0.01478 per~~
3 ~~gallon of motor oil and \$0.00215]~~ **\$0.00215** per gallon of [all other] oil imported into this state. The fee
4 shall be paid monthly by such person to the department of safety. The department of safety shall deposit
5 the first \$125,000 of fees paid in each fiscal year into the general fund. The remainder shall be deposited
6 into the oil pollution control fund [~~established under RSA 146-A:11-a, and the oil discharge and disposal~~
7 ~~cleanup established under RSA 146-D:3, I, based on an allocation determined for each fiscal year]~~
8 **administered** by the department of environmental services [~~and the oil fund disbursement board~~].
9 Imposition of the fee shall be based on the record of the person and certified as accurate to the
10 department of safety.

11 284:5 Effective Date; July 1, 2035. Amend 2015, 142:17, I to read as follows:

12 I. Sections 3, [~~5,~~] 8 and 16 of this act shall take effect at 12:01 a.m. on [~~July 1, 2025~~] **July 1, 2035**.

13 284:6 Effective Date.

14 I. Section 3 of this act shall take effect on January 1, 2026.

15 II. Section 4 of this act shall take effect at 12:01 a.m. on July 1, 2035.

16 III. The remainder of this act shall take effect June 30, 2025.

Approved: August 01, 2025

Effective Date:

I. Section 3 effective January 1, 2026

II. Section 4 effective at 12:01 am on July 1, 2035

III. Remainder effective June 30, 2025

