

HB 1022 - AS INTRODUCED

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HOUSE BILL **1022**

AN ACT relative to religious exemption from immunization requirements.

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 Hills. 13

COMMITTEE: Health, Human Services and Elderly Affairs

ANALYSIS

This bill specifies the form for religious exemption from childhood immunization requirements.

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 Matter which is either (a) all new or (b) repealed and reenacted appears in regular type.

STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

In the Year of Our Lord Two Thousand Twenty-Six

AN ACT relative to religious exemption from immunization requirements.

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

1 1 Exemptions. Amend RSA 141-C:20-c, II to read as follows:

2 II. A parent or legal guardian objects to immunization because of religious beliefs. The
3 parent or legal guardian shall sign a form stating that the child has not been immunized because of
4 religious beliefs. ***The form for a religious exemption shall simply state:***

5 ***"I, (insert parent or legal guardian's name), hereby attest that I sincerely hold religious***
6 ***beliefs and/or engage in religious practices or observances that dictate the refusal to***
7 ***accept the required vaccination(s). (Insert parent or legal guardian's signature and***
8 ***date.)"***

9 2 Effective Date. This act shall take effect 60 days after its passage.