

HB 1157-FN - AS INTRODUCED

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HOUSE BILL ***1157-FN***

AN ACT relative to licensure as a pet vendor.

SPONSORS: Rep. Bixby, Straf. 13; Rep. J. Aron, Sull. 4; Rep. Barbour, Hills. 35; Rep. N. Germana, Ches. 15; Sen. Pearl, Dist 17

COMMITTEE: Environment and Agriculture

ANALYSIS

This bill requires persons using physical facilities to transfer 30 or more animals to be licensed as a pet vendor.

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 Matter which is either (a) all new or (b) repealed and reenacted appears in regular type.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

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

1 1 New Paragraph; Licensed Pet Vendors. Amend RSA 437:3 by inserting after paragraph IV the
2 following new paragraph:

3 IV-a. No physical facility shall be used by multiple people, firms, corporations, or other
4 entities, when the combined number of animals transferred exceeds 30 or more dogs, 30 or more
5 cats, 30 or more ferrets, or 50 or more birds or live animals customarily used as household pets,
6 unless one of the people, firms, corporations, or other entity is a licensed pet vendor.

7 2 Effective Date. This act shall take effect 45 days after its passage.

**HB 1157-FN- FISCAL NOTE
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FISCAL IMPACT:

The Legislative Budget Assistant has determined that this legislation has a total fiscal impact of less than \$10,000 in each of the fiscal years 2026 through 2029.

AGENCIES CONTACTED:

Department of Agriculture, Markets and Food