

HB 1022 - AS AMENDED BY THE HOUSE

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HOUSE BILL            **1022**

AN ACT                relative to religious exemption from immunization requirements.

SPONSORS:            Rep. Drew, Hills. 19; Rep. Korzen, Coos 7; Rep. Polozov, Merr. 10; Rep. Wherry,  
                         Hills. 13

COMMITTEE:          Health, Human Services and Elderly Affairs

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ANALYSIS

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

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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                         Matter which is either (a) all new or (b) repealed and reenacted appears in regular type.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 vaccinations for [insert child's name], born [insert child's date of***  
8 ***birth]. [Insert parent or legal guardian's signature and date.]"***

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