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HOUSE BILL

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AN ACT relative to mandatory reports to voters.

SPONSORS: Rep. Peternel, Carr. 6; Rep. Bernardy, Rock. 36; Rep. Berry, Hills. 44; Rep. Pauer, Hills. 36; Rep. Drago, Rock. 4; Rep. Colcombe, Hills. 30; Rep. DeVito, Rock. 8; Sen. Murphy, Dist 16; Sen. Avard, Dist 12; Sen. Lang, Dist 2; Sen. Sullivan, Dist 18

COMMITTEE: Education Funding

AMENDED ANALYSIS

This bill makes changes to the form and content of the mandatory report to voters distributed before any meeting at which any school district adopts a school budget.

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 Matter which is either (a) all new or (b) repealed and reenacted appears in regular type.

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In the Year of Our Lord Two Thousand Twenty-Six

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

1 1 Education; Students First Act; Mandatory Report to Voters. Amend RSA 189:76, I-V to read
2 as follows:

3 I. Before any meeting at which any school district adopts a school budget, whether or not the
4 district has adopted the provisions of RSA 194-C:9-b, a mandatory report to voters ~~[must]~~ **shall** be
5 posted in at least 3 appropriate places, 2 of which ~~[must]~~ **shall** be places of business or other public
6 locations, and one of which ~~[shall]~~ **may** be the local newspaper ~~[or, if a local newspaper is not~~
7 ~~available, the district's website]~~. **The report shall be posted to the school district website, if**
8 **one exists.** The report ~~[must]~~ **shall** be posted at least 7 days, excluding Sundays and legal holidays,
9 prior to the ~~[meeting]~~ **scheduled date of the first budget hearing held pursuant to RSA 32:5, I.**

10 II. The report shall display the name of the school district, be prominently titled "Mandatory
11 Report to Voters on School Expenses," and shall contain ~~[3 line graphs]~~ **one graph with 3**
12 **financial indicators**, and one table. When posted in public locations, the report shall be displayed
13 on 2 pages which are each **at least** ~~[18]~~ **8.5** inches wide and ~~[24]~~ **11** inches tall. **The graphs and**
14 **table shall fill each page, leaving margins no greater than one inch.**

15 III. The first line ~~[graph]~~ **indicator** shall be titled "Average Cost Per Pupil" and shall
16 display the district's annual cost-per-pupil over the previous 10 years. The second line ~~[graph]~~
17 **indicator** shall be titled "Average Teacher Salary" and shall display the district's yearly average
18 teacher salary over the previous 10 years. ~~[A good faith effort shall be made to adjust each annual~~
19 ~~statistic for inflation using the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics Inflation Calculator or equivalent~~
20 ~~resource.]~~ Each yearly statistic shall be clearly labeled. In each **line** graph, the upper and lower
21 boundaries of the **dual** y-axis ~~[must]~~ **shall** be capped at the nearest thousand dollars.

22 IV. The third line **indicator** graph shall be titled "**Average** Administrator Salaries" and
23 shall display ~~[annual totals of all salaries paid to administrators employed or contracted by the~~
24 ~~district and corresponding school administrative unit]~~ **the district's yearly average**
25 **administrator salary** over the previous 10 years. Administrators serving multiple districts may
26 have annotation showing how their salary is apportioned among the multiple districts. ~~[A good faith~~
27 ~~effort shall be made to adjust each annual statistic for inflation using the U.S. Bureau of Labor~~
28 ~~Statistics Inflation Calculator or equivalent resource.]~~ Each yearly total shall be clearly labeled.
29 The upper and lower boundaries of the **dual** y-axis ~~[must]~~ **shall** be capped at the nearest hundred
30 thousand dollars.

1 ***IV-a. If the district has fewer than 10 years of historical data, all available years***
2 ***shall be used for the required graphs in paragraphs III and IV.***

3 V. The table shall be titled "Top Administrator Salaries" and shall list the titles and current
4 salaries of the [4] **10** highest-paid administrators employed or contracted by the district or
5 corresponding school administrative unit. If less than [4] **10** administrators are so employed, all
6 administrators shall be so listed.

7 2 New Section; Education; School Meetings; Annual Warrant Information. Amend RSA 197 by
8 inserting after section 1-g the following new section:

9 197:1-h Annual Warrant Information. In the annual warrant, the information in RSA 671:20, II
10 (a)-(c) shall be printed immediately below the article number and title, and preceding the question of
11 adopting a school budget.

12 3 Effective Date. This act shall take effect 60 days after its passage.

HB 1807-FN- FISCAL NOTE
AS AMENDED BY THE SENATE (AMENDMENT #2026-1508s)

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FISCAL IMPACT:

Estimated Political Subdivision Impact				
	FY 2026	FY 2027	FY 2028	FY 2029
Local Revenue	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Local Expenditures	\$0	Indeterminable (Possibly No Impact)		

METHODOLOGY:

This bill standardizes and expands the mandatory report to voters for school district budget meetings, including 10-year trends on per-pupil costs, teacher salaries, and average administrator salaries, and a table of the highest-paid administrators, and revises posting and annual warrant requirements. Costs, if any, for districts to comply are indeterminable.

AGENCIES CONTACTED:

None