

HB 261 - AS INTRODUCED

2025 SESSION

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HOUSE BILL            **261**

AN ACT                relative to election audits.

SPONSORS:            Rep. Berry, Hills. 44; Rep. Wherry, Hills. 13; Rep. See, Merr. 26; Rep. J. Aron,  
Sull. 4; Rep. M. Aron, Sull. 8; Rep. Cole, Hills. 26

COMMITTEE:          Election Law

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ANALYSIS

This bill moves the time of election audits to after the completion of recounts.

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Matter which is either (a) all new or (b) repealed and reenacted appears in regular type.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

AN ACT                   relative to election audits.

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

1           1   Recount of Additional Officers On Ballots Involved in Recounts; Audits. Amend the  
2 introductory paragraph of RSA 660:17-b to read as follows:

3           660:17-b Recount of Additional Offices on Ballots Involved in Recounts.

4           For general election recounts of state representative races, the secretary of state's office shall, [~~in~~  
5 ~~addition to~~] **after** recounting the state representative race:

6           2   Recount and Audit Procedures. Amend RSA 660:17-c to read as follows:

7           660:17-c Recount and Audit Procedures; Publication. The secretary of state shall publish all  
8 recount and audit procedures, as well as the times to hold any recounts and audits that may take  
9 place. The secretary of state shall complete any audit conducted under this chapter [~~prior to the~~  
10 ~~commencement~~] **after the completion** of a recount for any recount requested.

11          3   Effective Date. This act shall take effect 60 days after its passage.