

HB 407 - AS INTRODUCED

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HOUSE BILL

407

AN ACT setting a minimum threshold for the adoption of town and school budget and spending items for towns using a ballot to select such methods during town meeting.

SPONSORS: Rep. Berry, Hills. 44; Rep. Alexander Jr., Hills. 29; Rep. Osborne, Rock. 2; Rep. Sweeney, Rock. 25; Rep. Farrington, Straf. 8

COMMITTEE: Municipal and County Government

ANALYSIS

This bill sets a minimum threshold for the adoption of town and school budget and spending items for towns using a ballot to select such methods during town meeting.

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 Matter which is either (a) all new or (b) repealed and reenacted appears in regular type.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 setting a minimum threshold for the adoption of town and school budget and
 spending items for towns using a ballot to select such methods during town
 meeting.

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

- 1 1 New Paragraph; Use of Ballot; Threshold for Warrants. Amend RSA 40:13 by inserting after
2 paragraph IV the following new paragraph:
3 VI-a. Notwithstanding any provision to the contrary, no warrant article relative to the
4 adoption of town or school spending items shall pass unless such measure receives votes from at
5 least 15 percent of the registered voters in the town and a majority of those voting.
6 2 Effective Date. This act shall take effect 60 days after its passage.