

HB 729-FN-A - AS INTRODUCED

2025 SESSION

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HOUSE BILL **729-FN-A**

AN ACT making an appropriation to the department of education for an attorney to recodify education laws.

SPONSORS: Rep. Hill, Merr. 2; Rep. Verville, Rock. 2; Rep. Ladd, Graf. 5; Sen. Innis, Dist 7; Sen. Avard, Dist 12; Sen. Lang, Dist 2

COMMITTEE: Education Funding

ANALYSIS

This bill requires the department of education to hire an attorney solely to review the content and structure of education laws. The cost shall be paid from the education trust fund.

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 Matter which is either (a) all new or (b) repealed and reenacted appears in regular type.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

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recodify education laws.

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

1 1 Department of Education; Attorney to Recodify Education Laws.

2 I. The department shall seek to hire an attorney for the sole purpose to review the content
3 and structure of the education laws to include, but not be limited to, the following:

4 (a) Review the content and structure of the education laws contained within Title XV,
5 Chapters RSA 186 through 200-N;

6 (b) Identify statutes within Title XV which are duplicative;

7 (c) Identify statutes within Title XV which are contrary to other statutes within Title
8 XV; and

9 (d) Identify areas within Title XV which can be consolidated.

10 II. The attorney shall report the findings and any recommendations for proposed legislation
11 to the commissioner of the department of education.

12 III. The commissioner or designee, in consultation with the attorney general, shall have
13 exclusive supervisory authority over the attorney.

14 IV. Such work as set forth above, shall be completed by September 30, 2025.

15 2 Department of Education; Appropriation. The sum of \$100,000 for the fiscal year ending June
16 30, 2026, is hereby appropriated to the department of education to review the content and structure
17 of the education laws as set forth in Title XV, RSA 186 through 200-N, for the purpose of identifying
18 laws which are duplicative or contradictory and areas which can be consolidated. Notwithstanding
19 restrictions on the use of moneys in the education trust fund in RSA 198:39, said appropriation shall
20 be a charge against the education trust fund and shall be nonlapsing.

21 3 Effective Date. This act shall take effect July 1, 2025.

HB 729-FN-A- FISCAL NOTE
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FISCAL IMPACT:

Estimated State Impact				
	FY 2025	FY 2026	FY 2027	FY 2028
Revenue	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
<i>Revenue Fund(s)</i>	None			
Expenditures*	\$0	\$100,000	\$0	\$0
<i>Funding Source(s)</i>	Education Trust Fund			
Appropriations*	\$0	\$100,000	\$0	\$0
<i>Funding Source(s)</i>	Education Trust Fund			

***Expenditure = Cost of bill**

***Appropriation = Authorized funding to cover cost of bill**

METHODOLOGY:

This bill provides \$100,000 from the education trust fund to the Department of Education to hire an attorney to review the content and structure of the education laws for the purpose of identifying laws which are duplicative or contradictory and areas which can be consolidated. The Department expects it would expend the entire \$100,000 appropriation in FY 2026 and has not identified any anticipated costs exceeding the amount of funding provided in this bill.

AGENCIES CONTACTED:

Department of Education