

HB 762-FN-A - AS INTRODUCED

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HOUSE BILL

762-FN-A

AN ACT

appropriating \$30,000 to the judicial branch for the purpose of hiring a contractor to conduct a manual review of domestic violence and stalking cases and related criminal cases.

SPONSORS:

Rep. Manos, Rock. 12; Rep. Gregg, Hills. 7; Rep. Haskins, Rock. 11; Rep. Knab, Rock. 12; Rep. Read, Rock. 10; Rep. Simpson, Rock. 33; Rep. Weinstein, Rock. 10; Sen. Altschiller, Dist 24; Sen. Long, Dist 20

COMMITTEE:

Judiciary

ANALYSIS

This bill appropriates \$30,000 to the judicial branch for the purpose of hiring an independent contractor to conduct a manual review of domestic violence and stalking cases and related criminal cases in order to compile and collate data for statistical analysis by the judicial branch, the governor's commission on domestic violence, sexual assault, and staking, and other interested persons or organizations.

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Matter which is either (a) all new or (b) repealed and reenacted appears in regular type.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 appropriating \$30,000 to the judicial branch for the purpose of hiring a contractor to conduct a manual review of domestic violence and stalking cases and related criminal cases.

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

1 1 Judicial Branch; New Independent Contractor Position; Appropriation.

2 I. One independent contractor position is created in the judicial branch. The independent
3 contractor shall conduct a manual review of domestic violence and stalking cases and related
4 criminal cases in order to compile and collate data for statistical analysis for the judicial branch, the
5 governor's commission on domestic violence, sexual assault and stalking, and other interested
6 persons or organizations. The independent contractor shall not gather, record, or compile any
7 personal information that identifies any party.

8 II. The amount of \$30,000 for the position established in paragraph I is hereby appropriated
9 to the judicial branch from state general funds for the biennium ending June 30, 2027. If funds from
10 other sources, including but not limited to federal or state matching funds or grants become
11 available, the judicial branch shall expend those funds prior to appropriated funds. The governor is
12 authorized to draw a warrant for said sum out of any money in the treasury not otherwise
13 appropriated.

14 2 Effective Date. This act shall take effect July 1, 2025.

HB 762-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
Revenue Fund(s)	None			
Expenditures*	\$0	\$0 to 30,000		Indeterminable
Funding Source(s)	General Fund			
Appropriations*	\$0	\$30,000		\$0
Funding Source(s)	General Fund			

***Expenditure = Cost of bill**

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

METHODOLOGY:

This bill appropriates \$30,000 from the General Fund for the biennium ending June 30, 2027, to the Judicial Branch. These funds will support an independent contract to manually review domestic violence, stalking, and related criminal cases. The purpose is to compile and organize data for statistical analysis, benefiting the Judicial Branch, the Governor's Commission on Domestic Violence, Sexual Assault, and Stalking, as well as other interested parties or organizations. If additional funds become available from other sources, including but not limited to federal or state matching funds or grants, the Judicial Branch shall utilize those funds before accessing the appropriated amount.

This bill will increase state expenditures by \$30,000. However, it is uncertain in which fiscal year the funds will be spent, whether the full appropriation will be utilized, or if a portion will revert to the General Fund after June 30, 2027.

AGENCIES CONTACTED:

Judicial Branch