

SB 165 - AS INTRODUCED

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SENATE BILL **165**

AN ACT relative to the audit requirements for consumer cooperative associations.

SPONSORS: Sen. Avar, Dist 12; Sen. Murphy, Dist 16; Sen. Birdsell, Dist 19; Sen. Rochefort, Dist 1; Sen. Lang, Dist 2; Sen. Gannon, Dist 23; Sen. Innis, Dist 7; Sen. Reardon, Dist 15; Sen. Pearl, Dist 17; Sen. McConkey, Dist 3; Sen. Watters, Dist 4; Rep. Kofalt, Hills. 32

COMMITTEE: Commerce

ANALYSIS

 This bill increases the threshold for an annual audit or review of a consumers' cooperative association's books.

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 Matter which is either (a) all new or (b) repealed and reenacted appears in regular type.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 the audit requirements for consumer cooperative associations.

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

1 1 Corporations, Associations, and Proprietors of Common Lands; Consumers' Cooperative
2 Associations; Annual Audit or Review. Amend RSA 301-A:30 to read as follows:

3 301-A:30 Annual Audit or Review. Every association shall cause its books to be audited or
4 reviewed at the end of each year by qualified independent accountants who shall not be officers or
5 directors. Where the annual business of the association amounts to less than ***\$1,000,000*** [~~\$100,000~~],
6 the audit may be made by a committee consisting of 3 members elected at the annual membership
7 meeting. Where the annual business of the association amounts to between ***\$1,000,000*** [~~\$100,000~~]
8 and ***\$2,000,000*** [~~\$250,000~~], the association shall cause its books to be audited or reviewed. Where
9 the annual business of the association amounts to more than ***\$2,000,000*** [~~\$250,000~~], the association
10 shall cause its books to be audited. A full report of the audit shall be submitted to the annual
11 meeting of the association. The report shall include a statement of the amount of business
12 transacted with members, the amount of business transacted with nonmembers, the balance sheet,
13 and the income and expenses of the association.

14 2 Effective Date. This act shall take effect 60 days after its passage.