

HB 262 - AS INTRODUCED

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HOUSE BILL **262**

AN ACT relative to the adoption of bylaws and ordinances by municipalities.

SPONSORS: Rep. Yokela, Rock. 33

COMMITTEE: Municipal and County Government

ANALYSIS

This bill requires all bylaws and ordinances to state the enabling statute.

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Matter which is either (a) all new or (b) repealed and reenacted appears in regular type.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

AN ACT relative to the adoption of bylaws and ordinances by municipalities.

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

1 1 Powers of Towns; Power to Make Bylaws New Paragraph; Power to Make Bylaws. Amend
2 RSA 31:39 by inserting after paragraph III the following new paragraph:

3 IV. Every bylaw and ordinance enacted or amended after the effective date of this paragraph
4 shall state the RSA section that enables such bylaw or ordinance.

5 2 City Councils; Bylaws and Ordinances. Amend the introductory paragraph of RSA 47:17 to
6 read as follows:

7 The city councils shall have power to make all such salutary and needful bylaws as towns and the
8 police officers of towns and engineers or firewards by law have power to make and to annex
9 penalties, not exceeding \$1,000, for the breach thereof; and may make, establish, publish, alter,
10 modify, amend and repeal ordinances, rules, regulations, and bylaws for the purposes stated in this
11 section. ***Every bylaw and ordinance enacted or amended after the effective date of this***
12 ***introductory paragraph shall state the RSA section that enables such bylaw or ordinance.***

13 Provisions in this section granting authority to establish and collect fines for certain violations shall
14 not be interpreted to limit the authority hereunder to establish and collect fines for any other
15 violations:

16 3 Effective Date. This act shall take effect 60 days after its passage.