

HB 329 - AS INTRODUCED

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HOUSE BILL           **329**

AN ACT               relative to storage of rail cars containing hazardous materials.

SPONSORS:         Rep. Thompson, Coos 1

COMMITTEE:       Transportation

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ANALYSIS

This bill regulates the storage of rail cars containing hazardous materials.

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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Matter which is either (a) all new or (b) repealed and reenacted appears in regular type.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 storage of rail cars containing hazardous materials.

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

1           1 New Section; Storage of Hazardous Materials in Rail Cars. Amend RSA 21-P by inserting  
2 after section 18 the following new section:

3           21-P:18-a Storage of Hazardous Materials in Rail Cars.

4           I. Storage of rail cars containing hazardous materials on state owned or privately owned rail  
5 lines or sidings shall be placarded with information concerning the current or previous contents of  
6 the rail car along with placarding that indicates whether the rail car is currently full or empty.

7           II. In no case shall rail cars that currently contain or previously contained hazardous  
8 materials be stored on rail lines within the state for more than 72 hours from time of arrival unless  
9 they are part of a gathering train scheduled for transit through the state or delivery to industrial  
10 clients within the state.

11           III. No rail car that currently contains or previously contained hazardous materials shall be  
12 stored within 1500 feet of an occupied dwelling or active public way.

13           2 Effective Date. This act shall take effect January 1, 2022.