### HB 1698-FN - VERSION ADOPTED BY BOTH BODIES

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## 2024 SESSION

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HOUSE BILL 1698-FN

AN ACT relative to the use of drones for the aerial application of pesticides.

SPONSORS: Rep. Aron, Sull. 4; Rep. Ammon, Hills. 42; Rep. Creighton, Hills. 30; Rep. Rollins,

Sull. 3; Rep. C. McGuire, Merr. 27; Rep. Schamberg, Merr. 6; Rep. Comtois, Belk. 7; Rep. Spillane, Rock. 2; Sen. Pearl, Dist 17; Sen. Avard, Dist 12; Sen. Watters,

Dist 4; Sen. Ward, Dist 8

COMMITTEE: Environment and Agriculture

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## **ANALYSIS**

This bill exempts the application of pesticides using drones from notification procedures.

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Matter which is either (a) all new or (b) repealed and reenacted appears in regular type.

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## STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

In the Year of Our Lord Two Thousand Twenty Four

AN ACT relative to the use of drones for the aerial application of pesticides.

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

- New Paragraph; Notification of Aerial Pesticide Application. Amend RSA 430:34-a by 2 inserting after paragraph III the following new paragraph: 3 IV. This section shall not apply to the aerial application of pesticides by a person possessing 4 a valid certificate of registration or permit pursuant to RSA 430:33 while applying pesticides for 5 agricultural purposes using unmanned aircraft as defined in RSA 422:3, XXX at a height not exceeding 20 feet above ground level. 6
  - 2 Effective Date. This act shall take effect 60 days after its passage.

# **HB 1698-FN- FISCAL NOTE**

AS AMENDED BY THE HOUSE (AMENDMENT #2024-1147h)

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# FISCAL IMPACT:

The Legislative Budget Assistant has determined that this legislation, as amended by the House, has a total fiscal impact of less than \$10,000 in each of the fiscal years 2024 through 2027.

# **AGENCIES CONTACTED:**

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