

HB 549 – AS INTRODUCED

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HOUSE BILL **549**

AN ACT establishing a committee to study a constitutional amendment to prevent dedicated funding for a specific purpose from being diverted from that purpose.

SPONSORS: Rep. Bixby, Straf 17; Rep. Spang, Straf 6; Rep. Sad, Ches 1; Rep. Perry, Straf 3; Sen. Fuller Clark, Dist 21

COMMITTEE: Ways and Means

ANALYSIS

This bill establishes a committee to study a constitutional amendment to prevent dedicated funding for a specific purpose from being diverted from that purpose.

Explanation: Matter added to current law appears in ***bold italics***.
 Matter removed from current law appears [~~in brackets and struck through.~~]
 Matter which is either (a) all new or (b) repealed and reenacted appears in regular type.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 Thirteen

AN ACT establishing a committee to study a constitutional amendment to prevent dedicated funding for a specific purpose from being diverted from that purpose.

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

1 1 Committee Established. There is established a committee to study a constitutional
2 amendment to prevent dedicated funding for a specific purpose from being diverted from that
3 purpose.

4 2 Membership and Compensation.

5 I. The members of the committee shall be as follows:

6 (a) Three members of the house of representatives, appointed by the speaker of the
7 house of representatives.

8 (b) Two members of the senate, appointed by the president of the senate.

9 II. Members of the committee shall receive mileage at the legislative rate when attending to
10 the duties of the committee.

11 3 Duties.

12 I. The committee shall study a constitutional amendment to prevent dedicated funding for a
13 specific purpose from being diverted from that purpose. The committee's study shall include, but not
14 be limited to:

15 (a) Feasibility of a constitutional amendment.

16 (b) Potential benefits of such an amendment.

17 (c) Legislative history of bills where funds have been dedicated to one purpose, but used
18 for another.

19 (d) Any other matter the committee deems relevant to its study.

20 II. The committee may solicit information from any source the committee deems relevant to
21 its study.

22 4 Chairperson; Quorum. The members of the study committee shall elect a chairperson from
23 among the members. The first meeting of the committee shall be called by the first-named house
24 member. The first meeting of the committee shall be held within 45 days of the effective date of this
25 section. Four members of the committee shall constitute a quorum.

26 5 Report. The committee shall report its findings and any recommendations for proposed
27 legislation to the speaker of the house of representatives, the president of the senate, the house
28 clerk, the senate clerk, the governor, and the state library on or before November 1, 2013.

29 6 Effective Date. This act shall take effect upon its passage.