

HB 1299 – AS INTRODUCED

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HOUSE BILL **1299**

AN ACT establishing a committee to study the cost and feasibility of requiring photo identification on electronic benefit transfer (EBT) cards.

SPONSORS: Rep. Tucker, Rock 23; Rep. LeBrun, Hills 32; Rep. Itse, Rock 10; Rep. Baldasaro, Rock 5; Rep. D. McGuire, Merr 21; Rep. Peterson, Hills 21

COMMITTEE: Health, Human Services and Elderly Affairs

ANALYSIS

This bill establishes a committee to study the cost and feasibility of requiring photo identification on EBT cards.

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Matter which is either (a) all new or (b) repealed and reenacted appears in regular type.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

AN ACT establishing a committee to study the cost and feasibility of requiring photo identification on electronic benefit transfer (EBT) cards.

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 the cost and feasibility of
2 requiring photo identification on electronic benefit transfer (EBT) cards.

3 2 Membership and Compensation.

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

5 (a) Five members of the house of representatives, appointed by the speaker of the house
6 of representatives.

7 (b) One member of the senate, appointed by the president of the senate.

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

10 3 Duties. The committee shall study the cost and feasibility of requiring photo identification on
11 EBT cards. The committee shall:

12 I. Review state and federal laws and regulations governing eligibility for and administration
13 of the Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) program and the food stamp program in
14 New Hampshire.

15 II. Identify other states that have proposed or implemented similar photo identification
16 requirements.

17 III. Estimate the fiscal impact of requiring photo identification on EBT cards.

18 IV. Solicit information and testimony from the department of health and human services
19 and others with information and testimony relevant to the study.

20 4 Chairperson; Quorum. The members of the study committee shall elect a chairperson from
21 among the members. The first meeting of the committee shall be called by the first-named house
22 member. The first meeting of the committee shall be held within 45 days of the effective date of this
23 section. Three members of the committee shall constitute a quorum.

24 5 Report. The committee shall report its findings and any recommendations for proposed
25 legislation to the speaker of the house of representatives, the president of the senate, the house
26 clerk, the senate clerk, the governor, and the state library on or before November 1, 2014.

27 6 Effective Date. This act shall take effect upon its passage.