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HOUSE BILL ***1439-FN***

AN ACT relative to the attorney general's authority in investigating combinations and monopolies.

SPONSORS: Rep. Wallner, Merr 10

COMMITTEE: Judiciary

ANALYSIS

This bill authorizes the attorney general to engage assistants in investigating combinations and monopolies.

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 Matter which is either (a) all new or (b) repealed and reenacted appears in regular type.

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In the Year of Our Lord Two Thousand Fourteen

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

1 64:1 New Paragraph; Combinations and Monopolies; Official Investigation; Assistants. Amend
2 RSA 356:10 by inserting after paragraph V the following new paragraph:

3 VI. In any investigation authorized under this section, the attorney general shall have the
4 authority to engage the services of consultants, experts, accountants, economists, analysts, and other
5 assistants. When the investigation constitutes the review of a proposed merger of 2 or more entities
6 and is conducted prior to the merger, the reasonable expenses related to these assistants shall be a
7 direct charge to the parties proposing the merger. In any action to enforce this chapter pursuant to
8 RSA 356:4-a, the expenses related to these assistants shall be added to the reasonable costs of the
9 enforcement action and shall be recoverable as set out in RSA 356:4-b.

10 64:2 Effective Date. This act shall take effect 60 days after its passage.

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12 Approved: May 27, 2014

13 Effective Date: July 26, 2014