CHAPTER 159 HB 133 – FINAL VERSION

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HOUSE BILL	133
AN ACT	relative to recounts on questions.
SPONSORS:	Rep. Byron, Hills 20; Rep. J. Belanger, Hills 27; Sen. Soucy, Dist 18
COMMITTEE:	Election Law

AMENDED ANALYSIS

This bill requires notice to voters requesting a recount on certain local questions and public posting of notice of the time and place of the recount.

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Matter which is either (a) all new or (b) repealed and reenacted appears in regular type.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

AN ACT relative to recounts on questions.

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

159:1 Recount; Deadline. Amend RSA 40:4-c, I to read as follows:

 $\mathbf{2}$ I. If any 10 voters of a town shall, before the expiration of 7 days from the date of an annual meeting or special meeting, apply in writing to the town clerk for a recount of the ballots given in at 3 said meeting on any question, affecting said town only, legally appearing on the official Australian or 4 $\mathbf{5}$ nonpartisan ballot used at said meeting, said clerk shall appoint a time and place for the recount not earlier than 5 days nor later than 10 days after the receipt of said application. The clerk shall give 6 notice by mail of the recount to the first-named voter who applied for a recount on a 7 8 question and to any other person who requested notice in writing, at least 3 days prior to the day appointed for the recount of ballots. Notice of the time and place of the recount 9 10shall be posted in 2 public places at least 24 hours prior to the recount. The applicants for 11 such recount shall pay to the town clerk[, for the use of the town,] a fee of \$10 for conducting the recount. 12159:2 School District Elections; Recount. Amend RSA 671:32, III to read as follows: 1314III. The fee for the recount shall be paid to the school district clerk for [the use of the school 15district] conducting the recount. 159:3 Effective Date. This act shall take effect 60 days after its passage. 16

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18 Approved: June 26, 2015

19 Effective Date: August 25, 2015