

HB 228 - AS INTRODUCED

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HOUSE BILL **228**

AN ACT relative to showing or specially marking a ballot.

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Rep. Richardson, Coos 4; Rep. Hoell, Merr 23

COMMITTEE: Election Law

ANALYSIS

This bill repeals the prohibition on showing or specially marking a ballot.

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Matter which is either (a) all new or (b) repealed and reenacted appears in regular type.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

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

1 1 Reference Deleted. Amend RSA 658:29 to read as follows:

2 658:29 Statutes Posted. The secretary of state shall prepare and distribute copies of the
3 following RSA sections which the selectmen shall post or cause to be posted outside the guardrail in
4 the polling place at all elections: RSA 654:7-a, RSA 654:7-b; RSA 659:13, RSA 659:13-b, RSA 659:27,
5 RSA 659:30, RSA 659:31, RSA 659:32, RSA 659:34, [~~RSA 659:35,~~] RSA 659:37, RSA 659:38,
6 RSA 659:40, RSA 659:41, RSA 659:103; RSA 666:4, RSA 666:5, RSA 666:8. In addition, the secretary
7 of state shall include any other statutes or regulations that are required to be posted by state or
8 federal law. The secretary of state may also include statutes or regulations that, in the secretary of
9 state's judgment, would aid a voter in casting a vote or in contacting the appropriate official if the
10 voter believes that his or her voting rights are being violated.

11 2 Reference Changed. Amend RSA 659:45 to read as follows:

12 659:45 General Provisions. It shall be the responsibility of the moderator to report any violation
13 occurring under RSA 659:34 through RSA 659:44 to the attorney general. All fines imposed under
14 RSA [~~659:35~~] **659:36** through RSA 659:44 shall be paid to the county in which the offense was
15 committed. All penalties assessed under RSA 659:34 shall be paid to the secretary of state for
16 deposit into the general fund.

17 3 Repeal. RSA 659:35, relative to showing or specially marking ballot, is repealed.

18 4 Effective Date. This act shall take effect January 1, 2016.