

**HB 671-FN-A - AS AMENDED BY THE HOUSE**

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HOUSE BILL            ***671-FN-A***

AN ACT                relative to mental health first aid training and making an appropriation therefor.

SPONSORS:            Rep. MacKay, Merr 14; Rep. Snow, Hills 42; Rep. Deloge, Merr 16; Rep. LeBrun,  
                         Hills 32; Rep. Frazer, Merr 13; Rep. Kenison, Merr 15; Sen. Feltes, Dist 15;  
                         Sen. Reagan, Dist 17

COMMITTEE:          Health, Human Services and Elderly Affairs

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AMENDED ANALYSIS

This bill establishes a line item in the state budget for the purpose of accepting financial support for establishing mental health first aid training programs. The bill makes an appropriation for the purposes of the bill.

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                         Matter which is either (a) all new or (b) repealed and reenacted appears in regular type.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

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

1 1 Statement of Purpose.

2 I. The general court recognizes the emergence of mental health first aid and the increasing  
3 role it plays nationally in educating and empowering community leaders, health care education and  
4 safety officials, and others who may deal with mental health crises on the local level.  
5 New Hampshire has already established itself as a leader in this movement by holding the first  
6 statewide mental health first aid training program in 2014.

7 II. It is the intent of the general court to support and encourage mental health first aid  
8 training programs through state, county, and local public-private partnerships, using the curriculum  
9 and format prescribed by the National Council on Behavioral Health. Therefore, the general court  
10 hereby establishes a line item in the state budget to accept financial support for such programs.

11 2 State Operating Budget for the Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2017. There is hereby established  
12 a line item in the state operating budget ending June 30, 2017 to accept grants, federal funds, and  
13 other financial support for the mental health first aid training programs described in section 1 of this  
14 act.

15 3 Appropriation; Mental Health First Aid Program. The sum of \$1 for the biennium ending  
16 June 30, 2017 is hereby appropriated to the department of health and human services for the  
17 purposes of section 2 of this act. The governor is authorized to draw a warrant for said sum out of  
18 any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated.

19 4 Effective Date. This act shall take effect July 1, 2015.

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**HB 671-FN-A FISCAL NOTE**

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**FISCAL IMPACT:**

Due to time constraints, the Office of Legislative Budget Assistant is unable to provide a fiscal note for this bill, **as amended by the House (Amendment #2015-0354h)**, at this time. When completed, the fiscal note will be forwarded to the House Clerk's Office.