

HB 1298-FN - AS INTRODUCED

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HOUSE BILL

***1298-FN***

AN ACT                   relative to the definition of part-time teachers.

SPONSORS:           Rep. Cordelli, Carr. 7; Rep. Noble, Hills. 2; Rep. Quaratiello, Rock. 18; Rep. Hill, Merr. 2; Rep. Potucek, Rock. 13; Rep. Ball, Rock. 25; Rep. A. Lekas, Hills. 38; Rep. Pauer, Hills. 36; Rep. M. Pearson, Rock. 34

COMMITTEE:       Education

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ANALYSIS

This bill defines "part-time teachers" and subjects them to the board of education's professional code of ethics and professional code of conduct.

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                      Matter which is either (a) all new or (b) repealed and reenacted appears in regular type.

## STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

*In the Year of Our Lord Two Thousand Twenty Four*

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

1           1 New Section; Part-time Teachers. Amend RSA 189 by inserting after section 39-b the  
2 following new section:

3           189:39-c Part-time Teachers.

4           I. A part-time teacher or paraeducator for the purpose of this section shall mean an  
5 individual who:

6                   (a) Is hired by a local school district to work less than thirty hours per week;

7                   (b) Has expertise or significant professional experience in a subject-area offered by a  
8 school or district; and

9                   (c) Shall not be required to hold a state board of education credential.

10          II. The local school district shall seek a criminal history record check clearance  
11 authorization from the department of education as outlined in RSA 189:13-a prior to receiving a final  
12 offer of employment.

13          III. The local school shall appoint a supervising teacher to oversee and participate in the  
14 evaluation of each part-time teacher's work and effectiveness.

15          IV. Any person who has had a teaching credential, teaching license, or other teaching  
16 certification revoked under RSA 189:14-c or RSA 189:14-d, or who has been rendered ineligible to be  
17 employed as a teacher under another provision of law, shall not be eligible to teach under this  
18 section.

19          2 Rulemaking; Professional Code of Ethics. Amend RSA 21-N:9, II(cc)(2) to read as follows:

20                   (2) The professional code of ethics and the professional code of conduct shall apply to  
21 all teachers, specialists, and administrators who are licensed or certified by the department, ***and***  
22 ***part-time teachers hired by local school districts.***

23          3 Effective Date. This act shall take effect 60 days after its passage.

HB 1298-FN- FISCAL NOTE  
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FISCAL IMPACT:    ☒ State                      ☐ County                      ☐ Local                      ☐ None

Estimated State Impact - Increase / (Decrease)				
	FY 2024	FY 2025	FY 2026	FY 2027
Revenue	\$0	Indeterminable Increase (\$100 Per Individual)		
Revenue Fund(s)	Restricted - Education Credentialing Revenue			
Expenditures	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Funding Source(s)	None			
Appropriations	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Funding Source(s)	None			

- Does this bill provide sufficient funding to cover estimated expenditures? ☒ N/A
- Does this bill authorize new positions to implement this bill? ☒ N/A

METHODOLOGY:

This bill, presumed effective for the 2024-2025 school year, defines a part-time teacher in NH public schools and requires criminal history record check clearance authorization from the Department of Education. The Department states it has no information to estimate how many individuals may seek to be authorized as a part-time teacher, however, notes the Department charges a \$100 fee for the criminal history record check clearance. Therefore, to the extent individuals seek this designation, there would be an increase in state restricted education credentialing revenue in FY 2025 and beyond.

AGENCIES CONTACTED:

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