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Amendment to HB 70

1 Amend the bill by replacing all after the enacting clause with the following:

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1 Town Officers; Deputy Town Clerk. Amend RSA 41:18 to read as follows:

4 41:18 Deputy Town Clerk. Each town may have a deputy town clerk who shall be qualified in 5 the same manner as the town clerk, and who shall perform all the duties of the town clerk in case of 6 his or her absence by sickness, resignation, or otherwise [subject to the provisions of RSA 669:65]. A 7 deputy town clerk appointed hereunder shall be appointed by the [elected] town clerk with the 8 approval of the selectmen.

9 2 Town Clerk; Reference to Deputy Clerk Residency. Amend RSA 669:65 to read as follows:

10 669:65 Town Clerk. Vacancies in the office of town clerk shall be filled by appointment made by 11 the selectmen, except in towns in which pursuant to RSA 41:18 the selectmen have previously 12 [appointed] approved an appointment of a deputy town clerk, in which case the deputy shall 13 serve as town clerk until the next annual town election[, unless the deputy does not have his or her 14 domicile in the town, in which case the vacancy shall be filled by appointment made by the 15 selectmen].

16 3 Effective Date. This act shall take effect January 1, 2024.

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AMENDED ANALYSIS

This bill removes reference to filling of vacancies for town clerk when the deputy town clerk does not have their domicile in the town.