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HB 1168 - FINAL VERSION

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2022 SESSION

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HOUSE BILL

1168

AN ACT

establishes a committee to study the New Hampshire law relative to soil conditioners and relative to costs eligible for reimbursement from the oil discharge and disposal cleanup fund.

SPONSORS:

Rep. Bixby, Straf. 17; Rep. Homola, Hills. 27

COMMITTEE:

Environment and Agriculture

AMENDED ANALYSIS

This bill establishes a committee to study the New Hampshire law relative to soil conditioners.

The bill also increases costs eligible for reimbursement from the oil discharge and disposal cleanup fund for certain owners of on-premises-use facilities.

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Matter which is either (a) all new or (b) repealed and reenacted appears in regular type.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

AN ACT establishes a committee to study the New Hampshire law relative to soil conditioners and relative to costs eligible for reimbursement from the oil discharge and disposal cleanup fund.

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

1 188:1 Committee Established. There is established a committee to study the New Hampshire law
2 relative to soil conditioners.

3 188:2 Membership and Compensation.

4 I. The members of the committee shall be as follows:

5 (a) Three members of the house of representatives, appointed by the speaker of the house of
6 representatives.

7 (b) One member of the senate, appointed by the president of the senate.

8 II. Members of the committee shall receive mileage at the legislative rate when attending to the
9 duties of the committee.

10 188:3 Duties. The committee shall review RSA 431 and assess the following:

11 I. Are statutes consistent with current agricultural practices?

12 II. Are all terms appropriately defined, including the term "soil conditioner"?

13 III. Are all fees directed to appropriate, specific purposes supporting agriculture?

14 188:4 Chairperson; Quorum. The members of the study committee shall elect a chairperson from
15 among the members. The first meeting of the committee shall be called by the first-named house
16 member. The first meeting of the committee shall be held within 90 days of the effective date of this
17 section. Three members of the committee shall constitute a quorum.

18 188:5 Report. The committee shall report its findings and any recommendations for proposed
19 legislation to the speaker of the house of representatives, the president of the senate, the house clerk, the
20 senate clerk, the governor, and the state library on or before November 1, 2022.

21 188:6 Oil Discharge and Disposal Cleanup Fund; Eligible Expenses and Availability of Funds.
22 Amend RSA 146-D:6, III to read as follows:

23 III. Owners of on-premises-use facilities who have demonstrated financial need may apply for
24 reimbursement of costs to meet local and department operating standards in amounts not to exceed a
25 total of [~~\$2,250~~] **\$3,300**, and may apply for reimbursement of underground storage tank abandonment or
26 removal costs in amounts not to exceed a total of \$2,500.

27 188:7 Effective Date.

28 I. Section 6 of this act shall take effect January 1, 2023.

29 II. The remainder of this act shall take effect upon its passage.

Approved: June 17, 2022
Effective Date:

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- I. Section 6 effective January 1, 2023
- II. Remainder effective June 17, 2022

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