

HB 1379-FN - AS INTRODUCED

2024 SESSION

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HOUSE BILL

***1379-FN***

AN ACT                   relative to yard debris and roadside vegetation.

SPONSORS:           Rep. Cormen, Graf. 15; Rep. Packard, Rock. 16; Sen. Prentiss, Dist 5

COMMITTEE:       Public Works and Highways

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ANALYSIS

This bill prohibits a natural person or agency from placing yard debris or roadside vegetation on roads.

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                          Matter which is either (a) all new or (b) repealed and reenacted appears in regular type.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

AN ACT                      relative to yard debris and roadside vegetation.

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

1            1   New Paragraph; Yard Debris and Roadside Vegetation. Amend RSA 265:102 by inserting  
2 after paragraph I-a the following new paragraph:

3            I-b. No person shall place or direct placement of yard debris or roadside vegetation,  
4 including, but not limited to leaves, branches, and grass clippings, more than two feet into any paved  
5 class I, II, III, IV, or V highway. No state agency, local agency, or agent thereof shall place or direct  
6 placement of yard debris or roadside vegetation, including but not limited to leaves, branches, and  
7 grass clippings, more than 2 feet into any paved class I, II, III, IV, or V highway as a result of  
8 routine maintenance operations.

9            2 Effective Date. This act shall take effect 90 days after its passage.

**HB 1379-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
<b>Revenue</b>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
<i>Revenue Fund</i>	None			
<b>Expenditures</b>	Indeterminable			
<i>Funding Source</i>	General Fund			
<b>Appropriations</b>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
<i>Funding Source</i>	None			

Estimated Political Subdivision Impact - Increase / (Decrease)				
	FY 2024	FY 2025	FY 2026	FY 2027
<b>County Revenue</b>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
<b>County Expenditures</b>	Indeterminable			
<b>Local Revenue</b>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
<b>Local Expenditures</b>	Indeterminable			

**METHODOLOGY:**

This bill adds, deletes, or modifies a criminal penalty, or changes statute to which there is a penalty for violation. Therefore, this bill may have an impact on the judicial and correctional systems, which could affect prosecution, incarceration, probation, and parole costs, for the state, as well as county and local governments. A summary of such costs can be found at: [https://gencourt.state.nh.us/lba/Budget/Fiscal\\_Notes/JudicialCorrectionalCosts.pdf](https://gencourt.state.nh.us/lba/Budget/Fiscal_Notes/JudicialCorrectionalCosts.pdf)

**AGENCIES CONTACTED:**

Judicial Branch, Judicial Council, Department of Justice, Department of Corrections, New Hampshire Association of Counties, and New Hampshire Municipal Association