

HB 557-FN - AS INTRODUCED

2023 SESSION

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HOUSE BILL

***557-FN***

AN ACT                   relative to the department of health and human services' rulemaking authority regarding immunization requirements.

SPONSORS:           Rep. Kofalt, Hills. 32; Rep. Sirois, Hills. 32; Rep. Phillips, Rock. 7; Rep. Bernardy, Rock. 36; Rep. True, Rock. 9; Rep. Spillane, Rock. 2; Rep. Cordelli, Carr. 7; Rep. Sheehan, Hills. 43; Rep. Bogert, Belk. 5; Rep. Potucek, Rock. 13; Sen. Avard, Dist 12

COMMITTEE:       Health, Human Services and Elderly Affairs

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ANALYSIS

This bill removes the rulemaking authority of the commissioner of health and human services on immunization requirements beyond those diseases identified in statute.

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                          Matter which is either (a) all new or (b) repealed and reenacted appears in regular type.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

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

1            1 Communicable Disease; Immunization. Amend RSA 141-C:20-a, I to read as follows:

2            I. All parents or legal guardians shall have their children who are residing in this state  
3 immunized against ~~[certain diseases. These diseases shall include, but not be limited to,]~~  
4 diphtheria, mumps, pertussis, poliomyelitis, rubella, rubeola, and tetanus. ~~[The commissioner shall~~  
5 ~~adopt rules under RSA 541-A relative to other diseases which require immunization.]~~ ***The rules***  
6 ***adopted by the commissioner requiring varicella, Hepatitis B, and Haemophilus influenzae***  
7 ***type B (Hib) vaccinations shall remain in effect until their regular expiration date of June***  
8 ***30, 2026.***

9            2 Repeal. RSA 141-C:6, XIII, relative to rulemaking for other communicable diseases under  
10 RSA 141-C:20-a, I.

11           3 Effective Date. This act shall take effect 60 days after its passage.

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**HB 557-FN- FISCAL NOTE  
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**FISCAL IMPACT:**

The Office of Legislative Budget Assistant is unable to provide a fiscal note for this bill, **as introduced**, as it is awaiting information from the Department of Health and Human Services. The Department was contacted on 12/19/22. When completed, the fiscal note will be forwarded to the House Clerk's Office.

**AGENCIES CONTACTED:**

Department of Health and Human Services