

HB 381-FN - AS INTRODUCED

2025 SESSION

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HOUSE BILL 381-FN

AN ACT exempting firearms and firearm accessories manufactured for in-state use only from the National Firearm Act.

SPONSORS: Rep. Belcher, Carr. 4; Rep. Corcoran, Hills. 28; Rep. Tom Mannion, Hills. 1; Rep. Sabourin, Rock. 30

COMMITTEE: Criminal Justice and Public Safety

ANALYSIS

This bill exempts firearms and firearm accessories manufactured for in-state use only from the National Firearm Act.

Explanation: Matter added to current law appears in ***bold italics***.

Matter removed from current law appears [~~in brackets and struck through.~~]

Matter which is either (a) all new or (b) repealed and reenacted appears in regular type.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

AN ACT exempting firearms and firearm accessories manufactured for in-state use only from the National Firearm Act.

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

1 New Section; Firearms and Accessories; In-State Use Only. Amend RSA 159 by inserting after section 27 the following new section:

159:28 Firearms and Accessories Manufactured in New Hampshire for In-State Use Only.

I. Firearms and accessories manufactured within the state of New Hampshire, including but not limited to rifles, pistols, revolvers, shotguns, slides, receivers, barrels, suppressors, magazines, grips,

and stocks, may be marked “For NH use only. Not for export outside NH.”

II. Such marked firearms and accessories shall not be exported or possessed outside the state and shall be ineligible for interstate commerce. It shall be a class B misdemeanor to export or transfer such a marked firearm or accessory outside the borders of the state.

III. It shall be a class B misdemeanor to alter, destroy, or remove the marking “For NH use only. Not for export outside NH” from marked firearms and accessories unless the firearm or accessory is rendered permanently inoperable.

IV. Firearms and accessories marked “For NH use only. Not for export outside NH,” while remaining within the state, shall be exempt from federal regulation of interstate commerce and any act of Congress reliant on authority delegated under the Commerce Clause of the United States Constitution.

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

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**HB 381-FN- FISCAL NOTE
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FISCAL IMPACT:

Estimated State Impact				
	FY 2025	FY 2026	FY 2027	FY 2028
Revenue	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
<i>Revenue Fund</i>	None			
Expenditures*	Indeterminable			
<i>Funding Source</i>	General Fund			
Appropriations*	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
<i>Funding Source</i>	None			

***Expenditure = Cost of bill
bill**

***Appropriation = Authorized funding to cover cost of**

Estimated Political Subdivision Impact				
	FY 2025	FY 2026	FY 2027	FY 2028

County Revenue	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
County Expenditures	Indeterminable			
Local Revenue	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Local Expenditures	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

AGENCIES CONTACTED:

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