

Bill as Introduced

HB 1151 - AS INTRODUCED

2012 SESSION

12-2322
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HOUSE BILL *1151*

AN ACT relative to the default budget in official ballot towns and districts.

SPONSORS: Rep. Umberger, Carr 1; Rep. Simard, Graf 8

COMMITTEE: Municipal and County Government

ANALYSIS

This bill modifies the definition of default budget in official ballot towns.

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 Matter which is either (a) all new or (b) repealed and reenacted appears in regular type.

STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

In the Year of Our Lord Two Thousand Twelve

AN ACT relative to the default budget in official ballot towns and districts.

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

- 1 1 Definitions; Default Budget. RSA 40:13, IX(b) is repealed and reenacted to read as follows:
2 (b) "Default budget," as used in this subdivision, means the amount of the
3 appropriations contained in the operating budget authorized for the previous year reduced or
4 increased by the terms of any employment contract previously approved by the voters.
5 2 Use of Official Ballot. RSA 40:13, XI(a)(2) and (3) is repealed and reenacted to read as follows:
6 (2) Reductions or increases to the previous year's budget described in subparagraph
7 IX(b).
8 3 Effective Date. This act shall take effect 60 days after its passage.

Speakers

Hearing Minutes

HOUSE COMMITTEE ON MUNICIPAL AND COUNTY GOVERNMENT

PUBLIC HEARING ON HB 1151

BILL TITLE: relative to the default budget in official ballot towns and districts.

DATE: January 31, 2012

LOB ROOM: 301 **Time Public Hearing Called to Order:** 1:50 pm

Time Adjourned: 2:28 pm

(please circle if present)

Committee Members: Reps. Ferrante, Sterling, B. Patten, Lockwood, Accornero, Belanger,
Burt, Coffey, Copeland, Moore, Munck, Shackett, Stroud, DeStefano, Roberts, Hooper and
Patro

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TESTIMONY

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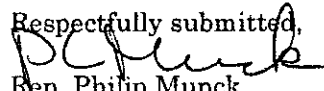
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Respectfully submitted,

Rep. Philip Munck
Clerk

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Testimony

CONWAY SCHOOL DISTRICT DEFAULT BUDGET FOR 2012-2013

GRAND TOTAL ADOPTED BUDGET 2011-12:

2/13/12

Article 1	Budget	32,798,634	
Article 6	AFSCME Negotiated Contract	0	
Article 7	CEA Negotiated Contract	147,419	
Article 8	CESP Negotiated Contract	<u>12,360</u>	
	Sub Total Budget/Separate Warrant Articles		32,958,413
Article 2	ExpTrust-HS Maintenance (Spec Art)	54,443	
Article 3	ExpTrust-MS Maintenance (Spec Art)	17,086	
Article 4	ExpTrust-ELEM Maintenance (Spec Art)	9,900	
	Sub Total Special Warrant Articles (Approved by DRA)		<u>81,429</u>
	GRAND TOTAL APPROVED BUDGET 2011-12		33,039,842

2012-13 DEFAULT CALCULATION:

	2011-12 GRAND TOTAL APPROVED BUDGET		33,039,842
Less Article 2	ExpTrust-HS Maintenance (Spec Art)	-54,443	
Less Article 3	ExpTrust-MS Maintenance (Spec Art)	-17,086	
Less Article 4	ExpTrust-ELEM Maintenance (Spec Art)	-9,900	
	Less Sub Total Special Warrant Articles		-81,429
Less One Time Expenses		-62,717	
Plus Federal Projects (offset by revenue)		120,160	
Less Debt Service Reduction		-601,743	
Plus SAU Share Increase		23,896	
Plus School Lunch Program (offset by revenue)		9,344	
Less Health Insurance		-324,220	
Plus Retirement (rate increase)		61,934	
Less Dental Insurance		-28,759	
Plus Special Education Increase (excl health/dental/retirement)		-342,857	
Plus Utilities/Energy - Fuel Oil Oper/Maint Plant		44,404	
Plus Utilities - Electricity Oper/Maint Plant		24,263	
Plus Utilities - Water Oper/Maint Plant		1,127	
Plus Utilities - LP Gas Oper/Maint Plant		1,558	
Less Solid Waste Reduction		-7,065	
Plus Utilities/Energy - Fuel Pupil Transp		8,215	
Less School to Career		-742	
Less Alloc Other Govt Units (SAU9 Bldg Aid)		<u>-30,000</u>	
	Plus Sub Total Additions/Decreases		<u>-1,103,202</u>
	TOTAL ESTIMATED 2012-13 DEFAULT BUDGET		31,855,211

School Board Proposed Budget \$31,901,212
 (\$46,001 increase over default = (0.144%)

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DEFAULT BUDGET 2012

	2011
PREVIOUS YEAR	9,004,800
PLUS	
EMPLOYEE BENEFITS	22,207
POLICE SALARY & BENEFITS	247,929
PW UNION SALARY & BENEFITS	30,639
ELECTIONS	9,150
MINUS	
AUDIT	-1,000
NON PRECINCT FIRE	-5,871
AMBULANCE CONTRACT	-102,666
DEBT SERVICE	-331,300
TOTAL	8,873,888
PROPOSED BUDGET	9,123,800

TITLE III TOWNS, CITIES, VILLAGE DISTRICTS, AND UNINCORPORATED PLACES

CHAPTER 40 GOVERNMENT OF TOWN MEETING

Section 40:13

40:13 Use of Official Ballot. –

I. Notwithstanding RSA 39:3-d, RSA 40:4-e, or any other provision of law, any local political subdivision as defined in RSA 40:12 which has adopted this subdivision shall utilize the official ballot for voting on all issues before the voters.

II. The warrant for any annual meeting shall prescribe the place, day and hour for each of 2 separate sessions of the meeting, and notice shall be given as otherwise provided in this section. Final budgets and ballot questions shall be printed in the annual report made available to the legislative body at least one week before the date of the second session of the annual meeting.

II-a. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, all local political subdivisions which adopt this subdivision, who have not adopted an April or May election date under RSA 40:14, X, shall comply with the following schedule pertaining to notice, petitioned articles, hearings, and warrants for the annual meeting:

(a) The final date for posting notice of budget hearings under RSA 32:5 and RSA 195:12 and hearings under RSA 33:8-a shall be the second Tuesday in January.

(b) The "budget submission date" as defined in RSA 273-A:1, III and the final date for submission of petitioned articles under RSA 39:3 and RSA 197:6 shall be the second Tuesday in January.

(c) Budget hearings under RSA 32:5 and RSA 195:12 and hearings under RSA 33:8-a and RSA 675:3 shall be held on or before the third Tuesday in January. One or more supplemental budget hearings may be held at any time before the first session of the annual meeting, subject to the 7-day notice requirement in RSA 32:5. If the first hearing or any supplemental hearing is recessed to a later date or time, additional notice shall not be required for a supplemental session if the date, time, and place of the supplemental session are made known at the original hearing.

(d) Warrants under RSA 39:5 and RSA 197:7 and budgets shall be posted and copies available to the general public on or before the last Monday in January.

II-b. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, all political subdivisions which hold their annual meetings in April shall comply with the following schedule pertaining to notice, petitioned articles, hearings, and warrants for the annual meeting.

(a) The final date for posting notice of budget hearings under RSA 32:5 and RSA 195:12 and hearings under RSA 33:8-a shall be the second Tuesday in February.

(b) The "budget submission date" as defined in RSA 273-A:1, III and the final date for

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submission of petitioned articles under RSA 39:3 and RSA 197:6 shall be the second Tuesday in February.

(c) Budget hearings under RSA 32:5 and RSA 195:12 and hearings under RSA 33:8-a and RSA 675:3 shall be held on or before the third Tuesday in February. One or more supplemental budget hearings may be held at any time before the first session of the annual meeting, subject to the 7-day notice requirement in RSA 32:5. If the first hearing or any supplemental hearing is recessed to a later date or time, additional notice shall not be required for a supplemental session if the date, time, and place of the supplemental session are made known at the original hearing.

(d) Warrants under RSA 39:5 and RSA 197:7 and budgets shall be posted and copies available to the general public on or before the last Monday in February.

II-c. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, all political subdivisions which hold their annual meetings in May shall comply with the following schedule pertaining to notice, petitioned articles, hearings, and warrants for the annual meeting:

(a) The final date for posting notice of budget hearings under RSA 32:5 and RSA 195:12 and hearings under RSA 33:8-a shall be the second Tuesday in March.

(b) The "budget submission date" as defined in RSA 273-A:1, III and the final date for submission of petitioned articles under RSA 39:3 and RSA 197:6 shall be the second Tuesday in March.

(c) Budget hearings under RSA 32:5 and RSA 195:12 and hearings under RSA 33:8-a and RSA 675:3 shall be held on or before the third Tuesday in March. One or more supplemental budget hearings may be held at any time before the first session of the annual meeting, subject to the 7-day notice requirement in RSA 32:5. If the first hearing or any supplemental hearing is recessed to a later date or time, additional notice shall not be required for a supplemental session if the date, time, and place of the supplemental session are made known at the original hearing.

(d) Warrants under RSA 39:5 and RSA 197:7 and budgets shall be posted and copies available to the general public on or before the last Monday in March.

II-d. The voter checklist shall be updated in accordance with RSA 669:5 for each session of the annual meeting.

III. The first session of the annual meeting, which shall be for the transaction of all business other than voting by official ballot, shall be held between the first and second Saturdays following the last Monday in January, inclusive of those Saturdays; between the first and second Saturdays following the last Monday in February, inclusive of those Saturdays; or between the first and second Saturdays following the last Monday in March, inclusive of those Saturdays at a time prescribed by the local political subdivision's governing body.

IV. The first session of the meeting, governed by the provisions of RSA 40:4, 40:4-a, 40:4-b, 40:4-f, and 40:6-40:10, shall consist of explanation, discussion, and debate of each warrant article. A vote to restrict reconsideration shall be deemed to prohibit any further action on the restricted article until the second session, and RSA 40:10, II shall not apply. Warrant articles may be amended at the first session, subject to the following limitations:

(a) Warrant articles whose wording is prescribed by law shall not be amended.

(b) Warrant articles that are amended shall be placed on the official ballot for a final vote on the main motion, as amended.

(c) No warrant article shall be amended to eliminate the subject matter of the article. An amendment that changes the dollar amount of an appropriation in a warrant article shall

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not be deemed to violate this subparagraph.

V. [Repealed.]

V-a. Any town may vote to require that all votes by an advisory budget committee, a town budget committee, and the governing body or, in towns without a budget committee, all votes of the governing body relative to budget items or any warrant articles or ballot questions shall be recorded votes and the numerical tally of any such vote shall be printed in the town warrant next to the affected warrant article or on the ballot next to the affected ballot question. If a town has not voted to require such tallies to be printed in the town warrant next to the affected warrant article or on the ballot next to the affected ballot question, the governing body may do so on its own initiative.

VI. All warrant articles shall be placed on the official ballot for a final vote, including warrant articles as amended by the first session. All special warrant articles shall be accompanied on the ballot by recommendations as required by RSA 32:5, V, concerning any appropriation or appropriation as amended.

VII. The second session of the annual meeting, to elect officers of the local political subdivision by official ballot, to vote on questions required by law to be inserted on said official ballot, and to vote on all warrant articles from the first session on official ballot, shall be held on the second Tuesday in March, the second Tuesday in April, or the second Tuesday in May, as applicable. Notwithstanding RSA 669:1, 670:1, or 671:2, the second session shall be deemed the annual election date for purposes of all applicable election statutes including, but not limited to, RSA 669:5, 669:19, 669:30, 670:3, 670:4, 670:11, 671:15, 671:19, and 671:30 through 32; and votes on zoning ordinances, historic district ordinances, and building codes under RSA 675.

VIII. The clerk of the local political subdivision shall prepare an official ballot, which may be separate from the official ballot used to elect officers, for all warrant articles. Wording shall be substantively the same as the main motion, as it was made or amended at the first session, with only such minor textual changes as may be required to cast the motion in the form of a question to the voters.

IX. (a) "Operating budget" as used in this subdivision means "budget," as defined in RSA 32:3, III, exclusive of "special warrant articles," as defined in RSA 32:3, VI, and exclusive of other appropriations voted separately.

(b) "Default budget" as used in this subdivision means the amount of the same appropriations as contained in the operating budget authorized for the previous year reduced and increased, as the case may be, by debt service, contracts, and other obligations previously incurred or mandated by law, and reduced by one-time expenditures contained in the operating budget. For the purposes of this paragraph, one-time expenditures shall be appropriations not likely to recur in the succeeding budget, as determined by the governing body, unless the provisions of RSA 40:14-b are adopted, of the local political subdivision.

X. If no operating budget article is adopted, the local political subdivision either shall be deemed to have approved the default budget or the governing body may hold a special meeting pursuant to paragraph XVI to take up the issue of a revised operating budget only; provided that RSA 31:5 and RSA 197:3 shall not apply to such a special meeting. If no operating budget article is adopted the estimated revenues shall nevertheless be deemed to have been approved.

XI. (a) The default budget shall be disclosed at the first budget hearing held pursuant to RSA 32:5 or RSA 197:6. The governing body, unless the provisions of RSA 40:14-b are adopted, shall complete a default budget form created by the department of revenue

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administration to demonstrate how the default budget amount was calculated. The form and associated calculations shall, at a minimum, include the following:

- (1) Appropriations contained in the previous year's operating budget;
- (2) Reductions and increases to the previous year's operating budget; and
- (3) One-time expenditures as defined under subparagraph IX(b).

(b) This amount shall not be amended by the legislative body. However, this amount may be adjusted by the governing body, unless the provisions of RSA 40:14-b are adopted, acting on relevant new information at any time before the ballots are printed, provided the governing body, unless the provisions of RSA 40:14-b are adopted, completes an amended default budget form.

(c) The wording of the second session ballot question concerning the operating budget shall be as follows:

"Shall the (local political subdivision) raise and appropriate as an operating budget, not including appropriations by special warrant articles and other appropriations voted separately, the amounts set forth on the budget posted with the warrant or as amended by vote of the first session, for the purposes set forth therein, totaling \$ _____? Should this article be defeated, the default budget shall be \$ _____, which is the same as last year, with certain adjustments required by previous action of the (local political subdivision) or by law; or the governing body may hold one special meeting, in accordance with RSA 40:13, X and XVI, to take up the issue of a revised operating budget only."

XII. Voting at the second session shall conform to the procedures for the nonpartisan ballot system as set forth in RSA 669:19-29, RSA 670:5-7 and RSA 671:20-30, including all requirements pertaining to absentee voting, polling place, and polling hours.

XIII. Approval of all warrant articles shall be by simple majority except for questions which require a 2/3 vote by law, contract, or written agreement.

XIV. Votes taken at the second session shall be subject to recount under RSA 669:30-33 and RSA 40:4-c.

XV. Votes taken at the second session shall not be reconsidered.

XVI. The warrant for any special meeting shall prescribe the date, place and hour for both a first and second session. The second session shall be warned for a date not fewer than 28 days nor more than 60 days following the first session. The first and second sessions shall conform to the provisions of this subdivision pertaining to the first and second sessions of annual meetings. Special meetings shall be subject to RSA 31:5, 39:3, 195:13, 197:2, and 197:3, provided that no more than one special meeting may be held to raise and appropriate money for the same question or issue in any one calendar year or fiscal year, whichever applies, and further provided that any special meeting held pursuant to paragraphs X and XI shall not be subject to RSA 31:5 and RSA 197:3 and shall not be counted toward the number of special meetings which may be held in a given calendar or fiscal year.

XVII. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, if the sole purpose of a special meeting is to consider the adoption, amendment, or repeal of a zoning ordinance, historic district ordinance, or building code pursuant to RSA 675, the meeting shall consist of only one session, which shall be for voting by official ballot on the proposed ordinance, code, amendment, or repeal. The warrant for the meeting shall be posted in accordance with RSA 39:5. This paragraph shall not apply to a special meeting for consideration of the adoption of an emergency temporary zoning and planning ordinance pursuant to RSA 675:4-a.

Voting Sheets

HOUSE COMMITTEE ON MUNICIPAL AND COUNTY GOVERNMENT

EXECUTIVE SESSION on HB 1151

BILL TITLE: relative to the default budget in official ballot towns and districts.

DATE: February 14, 2012

LOB ROOM: 301

Amendments:

Sponsor: Rep. OLS Document #:

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Motions: OTP, OTP/A, ITL, Interim Study (Please circle one.)

Moved by Rep. Munck

Seconded by Rep. Coffey

Vote: 17-0 (Please attach record of roll call vote.)

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Moved by Rep.

Seconded by Rep.

Vote: (Please attach record of roll call vote.)

CONSENT CALENDAR VOTE: Yes

(Vote to place on Consent Calendar must be unanimous.)

Statement of Intent: Refer to Committee Report

Respectfully submitted,

Rep. Philip Munck, Clerk

HOUSE COMMITTEE ON MUNICIPAL AND COUNTY GOVERNMENT

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2/14/12

LOB ROOM: 301

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MUNICIPAL AND COUNTY GOVERNMENT

Bill #: HB 1151 Title: _____

PH Date: 1/1/12

Exec Session Date: 2/14/12

Motion: ITL

Amendment #: _____

MEMBER	YEAS	NAYS
Ferrante, Beverly A, Chairman	✓	
Sterling, Franklin W, V Chairman	✓	
Patten, Betsey L	✓	
Lockwood, Priscilla P	✓	
Accornero, Harry	✓	
Belanger, James P	✓	
Burt, John A	✓	
Coffey, James E	✓	
Copeland, Timothy D	✓	
Moore, Robert W	✓	
Munck, Philip L, Clerk	✓	
Shackett, Jeffrey S	✓	
Stroud, Kathleen M	✓	
DeStefano, Stephen T	✓	
Roberts, Kris E	✓	
Hooper, Dorothea D <u>Porter, M</u>	✓	
Tatro, Bruce L	✓	
TOTAL VOTE:	17	0

Committee Report

CONSENT CALENDAR

February 22, 2012

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

REPORT OF COMMITTEE

**The Committee on MUNICIPAL AND COUNTY
GOVERNMENT to which was referred HB1151,**

**AN ACT relative to the default budget in official ballot
towns and districts. Having considered the same,
report the same with the following Resolution:**

RESOLVED, That it is INEXPEDIENT TO LEGISLATE.

Rep. Franklin W Sterling

FOR THE COMMITTEE

COMMITTEE REPORT

Committee:	MUNICIPAL AND COUNTY GOVERNMENT
Bill Number:	HB1151
Title:	relative to the default budget in official ballot towns and districts.
Date:	February 22, 2012
Consent Calendar:	YES
Recommendation:	INEXPEDIENT TO LEGISLATE

STATEMENT OF INTENT

This bill would repeal and re-define items that could be included in default budget under RSA 41:13, IX (a) numbers 2, 3. However, the bill would leave in place the definition of a default budget contained in RSA 41:12, IX (b) which includes items contained in RSA 41:13, IX (a) numbers 2 and 3. Therefore the committee voted to ITL. Additionally a bill to study the entire SB2 process, including default budgets is in the Senate and the committee believes this needs a thorough and careful review.

Vote 17-0.

Rep. Franklin W Sterling
FOR THE COMMITTEE

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Cc: Committee Bill File

CONSENT CALENDAR

MUNICIPAL AND COUNTY GOVERNMENT

HB1151, relative to the default budget in official ballot towns and districts. **INEXPEDIENT TO LEGISLATE.**

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COMMITTEE REPORT

COMMITTEE: Municipal and County Government

BILL NUMBER: HB 151

TITLE: Relative to the default budget in official ballot towns + districts

DATE: 2/14/2012 CONSENT CALENDAR: YES NO

- OUGHT TO PASS
- OUGHT TO PASS W/ AMENDMENT
- INEXPEDIENT TO LEGISLATE
- INTERIM STUDY (Available only 2nd year of biennium)

Amendment No. _____

STATEMENT OF INTENT:

COMMITTEE VOTE: _____

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RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED,
 Rep. Lillian W. Stenberg
 For the Committee

COMMITTEE REPORT

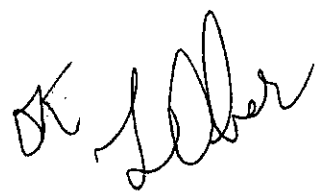
Committee:	MUNICIPAL AND COUNTY GOVERNMENT
Bill Number:	HB1151
Title:	relative to the default budget in official ballot towns and districts.
Date:	February 16, 2012
Consent Calendar:	YES
Recommendation:	INEXPEDIENT TO LEGISLATE

STATEMENT OF INTENT

HB 1151

~~This bill could result in default budgets that are widely at variance with the intent of the official ballot act by requiring, among other things, the inclusive of one-time expenses and debt service on declining payments bond issues which would result in default budgets larger then proposed budgets.~~

Vote 17-0.



HB 1151 would repeal and re-define items that could be included in default budget

Rep. Philip L. Munck
FOR THE COMMITTEE

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COMMITTEE REPORT

Murphy

COMMITTEE: _____

BILL NUMBER: HB 1157

TITLE: relative to the default budget

DATE: 2-14-12

CONSENT CALENDAR: YES NO

OUGHT TO PASS

OUGHT TO PASS W/ AMENDMENT

INEXPEDIENT TO LEGISLATE

INTERIM STUDY (Available only 2nd year of biennium)

Amendment No. _____

STATEMENT OF INTENT:

This bill ~~will~~ ^{could} result in default, that are budgets widely at variance with the intent of the Official Ballot Act by requiring, among other things, the inclusion of one-time expenses, and debt service on declining payments bond issues which would result in default budgets larger than proposal budgets

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COMMITTEE VOTE: 17-0

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED,

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Rep. PC Murphy

For the Committee