Bill as Introduced

HB 1643 - AS INTRODUCED

2012 SESSION

12-2797 10/03

HOUSE BILL

1643

AN ACT

relative to county appropriations.

SPONSORS:

Rep. F. McCarthy, Carr 1; Rep. Simard, Graf 8; Rep. Reilly, Graf 8

COMMITTEE:

Municipal and County Government

ANALYSIS

This bill clarifies the definition of an appropriation in the county budget.

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Matter which is either (a) all new or (b) repealed and reenacted appears in regular type.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

AN ACT

relative to county appropriations.

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

- 1 County Convention; Appropriation. Amend RSA 24:14, I-a to read as follows:
 2 I-a. In this chapter, an appropriation means an amount of money authorized for a specified
 3 purpose by the legislative body, and each appropriation shall be classified and defined as a
 4 line item.
- 5 2 Effective Date. This act shall take effect 60 days after its passage.

Speakers

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To Register Opinion If Not Speaking

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Hearing Minutes

PUBLIC HEARING ON HB 1643

BILL TITLE:

relative to county appropriations.

DATE:

February 7, 2012

LOB ROOM:

301

Time Public Hearing Called to Order:

1:00 pm

Time Adjourned:

1:20 pm

(please circle if present)

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

Bill Sponsors: Rep. F. McCarthy, Carr 1; Rep. Simard, Graf 8; Rep. Reilly, Graf 8

TESTIMONY

* Use asterisk if written testimony and/or amendments are submitted.

Rep. Frank McCarthy of Carroll District – sponsor – Goal is to clarify the word appropriation as it appears in county budget. It is clearer in town budget laws. It uses the word "purpose" in the definition synonymous with line item. This bill will clarify the county budget law. I am trying to instill some discipline in spending in Carroll County. People don't understand what an appropriation is. McCarthy continued in response to a question, he said that state law allows the county commissioners to transfer money from one existing appropriation to another. In Carroll County transfers are being made to appropriations that have not previously been included in the budget. Wants the law to say that every line item in a budget is an appropriation.

Betsy Miller representing the NH Association of Counties. Opposes the bill. All of the problems attributed to Carroll County are addressed in existing statutes. MS-22 adequately defines appropriations. This just muddies up the waters.

Rep. Harold Reilly. Supports the bill. It is confusing if the appropriation is just the bottom line of the budget.

Respectfully submitted,

Ran Philip Munck

Clerk

PUBLIC HEARING ON HB 1643

BILL TITLE:

relative to county appropriations.

DATE:

2/7/12

LOB ROOM:

301

Time Public Hearing Called to Order:

1:00

Time Adjourned:

1:20

(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 Tatro

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Voting Sheets

EXECUTIVE SESSION on HB 1643

BILL TITLE:

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DATE:

February 13, 2012

LOB ROOM:

301

Amendments:

Sponsor: Rep.

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Motions:

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Moved by Rep. Coffey

Seconded by Rep. Belanger

Vote: 15-0 (Please attach record of roll call vote.)

Motions:

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

Moved by Rep.

Seconded by Rep.

Vote:

(Please attach record of roll call vote.)

CONSENT CALENDAR VOTE: YES

NO (Please circle one)

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

Statement of Intent:

Refer to Committee Report

Respectfully submitted,

Rep. Philip Munck, Clerk

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Seconded by Rep.

Vote:

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CONSENT CALENDAR VOTE YES NO (Please circle one)

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Statement of Intent:

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Respectfully submitted,

Rep. Philip Munck, Clerk

MUNICIPAL AND COUNTY GOVERNMENT

Bill #: #3 1643 Title:			
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Motion:	Amendment #:		
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Patten, Betsey L			
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Belanger, James P			
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Copeland, Timothy D			
Moore, Robert W			
Munck, Philip L, Clerk			
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Stroud, Kathleen M			
DeStefano, Stephen T			
Roberts, Kris E	Abs		
Hooper, Dorothea D	Abs		
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Committee Report

CONSENT CALENDAR

February 15, 2012

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

REPORT OF COMMITTEE

The Committee on MUNICIPAL AND COUNTY

GOVERNMENT to which was referred HB1643,

AN ACT relative to county appropriations. Having considered the same, report the same with the following Resolution: RESOLVED, That it is INEXPEDIENT TO LEGISLATE.

Rep. James E Coffey

FOR THE COMMITTEE

Original: House Clerk

Cc: Committee Bill File

COMMITTEE REPORT

Committee:	MUNICIPAL AND COUNTY GOVERNMENT	
Bill Number:	HB1643	
Title:	relative to county appropriations.	
Date:	February 15, 2012	
Consent Calendar:	YES	
Recommendation:	INEXPEDIENT TO LEGISLATE	

STATEMENT OF INTENT

This bill adds a phrase to RSA 24:14, I-a that defines each appropriation as a single line item. This would result in chaos for those administering county budgets. The details of managing each county should rest with county commissioners and their delegations. We should avoid micro managing the counties and allow them to develop their own policies and procedures for day to day operation.

Vote 15-0.

Rep. James E Coffey FOR THE COMMITTEE

Original: House Clerk

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CONSENT CALENDAR

MUNICIPAL AND COUNTY GOVERNMENT

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