Bill as Introduced

HB 332 - AS AMENDED BY THE HOUSE

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2021 SESSION

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HOUSE BILL

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AN ACT

relative to deadlines for consideration of developments of regional impact by

planning boards.

SPONSORS:

Rep. Seaworth, Merr. 20; Sen. Birdsell, Dist 19

COMMITTEE:

Municipal and County Government

ANALYSIS

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Explanation:

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CHAPTER 69 HB 332 - FINAL VERSION

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Approved: June 10, 2021

Effective Date: August 09, 2021

Committee Minutes

SENATE CALENDAR NOTICE Election Law and Municipal Affairs

Sen James Gray, Chair Sen Regina Birdsell, Vice Chair Sen Ruth Ward, Member Sen Donna Soucy, Member Sen Rebecca Perkins Kwoka, Member

Date: April 21, 2021

HEARINGS

Monday			04/26/2021		
Election L	Election Law and Municipal Affairs		REMOTE	9:00 a.m.	
9:00 a.m.	HB 67-LOCAL	relative to war village district	rant articles in official ballot t meetings.	own, school district, or	
9:15 a.m.	HB 332	relative to deadlines for consideration of developments of regions impact by planning boards.		elopments of regional	
9:30 a.m.	HB 374	relative to the official ballot referendum form of town meetings		n of town meetings.	
9:45 a.m.	HB 545	relative to the use of certain out-of-state banks by the state trea and municipal and county treasurers or trustees.			

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Rep. Lang HB 332

Rep. Seaworth

Sen. Birdsell

HB 374

Rep. McGuire

Rep. Yokela

Rep. J. MacDonald

Rep. Lewicke

Rep. M. Pearson

Rep. Pauer Rep. Warden

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Rep. Laflamme

Rep. Merner

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HEARINGS

Election L	aw and Municipal A	Affairs REMOTE 9:00 a.m.
9:00 a.m.	HB 476	relative to election officers at additional polling places.
9:10 a.m.		Hearing on proposed Amendment #2021-1127s, relative to election officers at additional polling place and relative to legalizing, ratifying and confirming all actions, votes, and proceedings of the annual meeting of the town of Middleton, to HB 476, relative to election officers at additional polling places.
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Rep. Pitre	Rep. Hayward	Sen. Morse	
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Senate Election Law and Municipal Affairs Committee

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HB 332, relative to deadlines for consideration of developments of regional impact by planning boards.

Hearing Date:

April 26, 2021

Members of the Committee Present: Senators Gray, Birdsell, Ward, Soucy and Perkins Kwoka

Members of the Committee Absent: None

Bill Analysis:

This bill clarifies the date upon which planning boards begin formal

consideration of plats relating to developments of regional impact.

Sponsors:

Rep. Seaworth

Sen. Birdsell

Who supports the bill: Senator Regina Birdsell, Rep. Brian Seaworth, Cordell Johnston

Who opposes the bill: None

Summary of testimony presented in support:

Representative Brian Seaworth

- HB 332 makes a simple change to the law that will create an even playing field when there is a finding of development of regional impact.
- Development of Regional Impact is a situation when a planning board application impacts communities outside the boards jurisdiction.
- The RSA's that govern the Regional Planning Commission specify the procedure for what follows.
- Each of the impacted communities and the Regional Planning Commission itself are formally notified.
- Next, each community is given the equivalent of abutter status in a public hearing.
- When this happens, it delays the evaluation of the application and typically that is about a month.
- This bill adds 30 days to the allowed time for a decision when the DRI process in invoked.
- It will automatically give the planning board and all the participants in the review back the time lost going through the DRI process.
- This change will smooth the process all around and allow both applicants and the board to focus on the merits of the application and less on administrative compliance with the RSAs.

Summary of testimony presented in opposition: None

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Date Hearing Report completed: April 29, 2021

Speakers

Senate Remote Testify

Election Law and Municipal Affairs Committee Testify List for Bill HB332 on 2021 Support: 3 Oppose: 0 Neutral: 0 Total to Testify: 1

<u>Name</u>	Email Address	Phone	<u>Title</u>	Representing	Position	Testifing	S
Seaworth, Brian	Brian.Seaworth@leg.state.nh.us	Not Given	An Elected Official	Prime Sponsor	Support	Yes	4
Birdsell, Senator Regina	Not Given	Not Given	An Elected Official	Senate District 19	Support	No	4
Johnston, Cordell	Not Given	Not Given	A Lobbyist	NH Municipal Association	Support	No	4

Voting Sheets

Senate Election Law & Municipal Affairs Committee

EXECUTIVE SESSION RECORD

2021 Session

			Bill HB 33	2
Hearing date:4-26-2021_				-
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Motion of:	OT	Ρ	Vote	: 5-0
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Committee Report

STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

SENATE

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE FOR THE CONSENT CALENDAR

Monday, April 26, 2021

THE COMMITTEE ON Election Law and Municipal Affairs

to which was referred HB 332

AN ACT

relative to deadlines for consideration of developments of regional impact by planning boards.

Having considered the same, the committee recommends that the Bill

OUGHT TO PASS

BY A VOTE OF: 5-0

Senator Rebecca Perkins Kwoka For the Committee

This bill gives planning boards an additional 30 days to act to approve, conditionally approve, or disapprove, plats relating to developments of regional impact. Currently in statute, a planning board has 65 days to render a decision on plans. Considering that regional impact may involve consultation with multiple stakeholders, the additional time allows for a more informed determination.

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7/15/2021 Bill_Status

General Court of New Hampshire - Bill Status System

Docket of HB332

Docket Abbreviations

Bill Title: relative to deadlines for consideration of developments of regional impact by planning boards.

Official Docket of HB332.:

Date	Body	Description
1/9/2021	Н	Introduced (in recess of) 01/06/2021 and referred to Municipal and County Government HJ 2 P. 44
1/27/2021	Н	Public Hearing: 02/08/2021 10:30 am Members of the public may attend using the following link: To join the webinar: https://www.zoom.us/j/96815613466 / Executive session on pending legislation may be held throughout the day (time permitting) from the time the committee is initially convened.
2/2/2021	н	Executive Session: 02/09/2021 02:00 pm Members of the public may attend using the following link: To join the webinar: https://www.zoom.us/j/93215390740
3/15/2021	Н	Committee Report: Without Recommendation (Vote; RC) HC 18 P. 57
4/9/2021	Н	FLAM #2021-0344h (Rep. Seaworth): AA VV 04/09/2021 HJ 7 P. 30
4/9/2021	Н	Ought to Pass with Amendment 2021-0344h: MA VV 04/09/2021 HJ 7 P. 30
4/13/2021	S	Introduced 04/08/2021 and Referred to Election Law and Municipal Affairs; SJ 12
4/21/2021	S	Remote Hearing: 04/26/2021, 10:15 am; Links to join the hearing can be found in the Senate Calendar; SC 21
4/28/2021	S	Committee Report: Ought to Pass, 05/06/2021; Vote 5-0; CC; SC 22
5/6/2021	S	Ought to Pass: RC 23Y-0N, MA; OT3rdg; 05/06/2021; SJ 14
6/2/2021	S	Enrolled Adopted, VV, (In recess 05/27/2021); SJ 18
6/3/2021	Н	Enrolled (in recess of) 06/03/2021
6/14/2021	Н	Signed by Governor Sununu 06/10/2021; Chapter 69; Eff: 08/09/2021

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