

REGULAR CALENDAR

October 26, 2022

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

REPORT OF COMMITTEE

**The Committee on Municipal and County Government
to which was referred HB 1172-FN,**

**AN ACT requiring composting and waste recycling to be
made available to residents of public housing. Having
considered the same, report the same: NOT
RECOMMENDED FOR FUTURE LEGISLATION.**

Rep. Jim Maggiore

FOR THE COMMITTEE

COMMITTEE REPORT

Committee:	Municipal and County Government
Bill Number:	HB 1172-FN
Title:	requiring composting and waste recycling to be made available to residents of public housing.
Date:	October 26, 2022
Consent Calendar:	REGULAR
Recommendation:	NOT RECOMMENDED FOR FUTURE LEGISLATION

STATEMENT OF INTENT

The majority of the committee voted "not to recommend for future legislation" on HB 1172 – a bill requiring composting and waste recycling to be made available to residents of public housing. The bill lacks the required input from public housing authorities, solid waste disposal companies, and recycling companies necessary to analyze the cost-benefit of such a mandate. The prime sponsor of the bill is open to inviting the necessary agencies and companies to any future discussions on the merits of this or a similar bill.

Vote 10-7.

Rep. Jim Maggiore
FOR THE COMMITTEE

Original: House Clerk
Cc: Committee Bill File

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Municipal and County Government

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REGULAR CALENDAR

March 10, 2022

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

REPORT OF COMMITTEE

The Majority of the Committee on Municipal and County Government to which was referred HB 1172-FN, AN ACT requiring composting and waste recycling to be made available to residents of public housing. Having considered the same, report the same with the recommendation that the bill be REFERRED FOR INTERIM STUDY.

Rep. Ivy Vann

FOR THE MAJORITY OF THE COMMITTEE

**MAJORITY
COMMITTEE REPORT**

Committee:	Municipal and County Government
Bill Number:	HB 1172-FN
Title:	requiring composting and waste recycling to be made available to residents of public housing.
Date:	March 10, 2022
Consent Calendar:	REGULAR
Recommendation:	REFER FOR INTERIM STUDY

STATEMENT OF INTENT

Given that there is an ongoing study committee focusing on solid waste issues, which include compost, the committee felt that considering composting from that point of view was the better alternative to inexpedient to legislate.

Vote 11-8.

Rep. Ivy Vann
FOR THE MAJORITY

Original: House Clerk
Cc: Committee Bill File

REGULAR CALENDAR

Municipal and County Government

HB 1172-FN, requiring composting and waste recycling to be made available to residents of public housing. **MAJORITY: REFER FOR INTERIM STUDY. MINORITY: INEXPEDIENT TO LEGISLATE.**

Rep. Ivy Vann for the **Majority** of Municipal and County Government. Given that there is an ongoing study committee focusing on solid waste issues, which include compost, the committee felt that considering composting from that point of view was the better alternative to inexpedient to legislate. **Vote 11-8.**

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March 10, 2022

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

REPORT OF COMMITTEE

The Minority of the Committee on Municipal and County Government to which was referred HB 1172-FN,

AN ACT requiring composting and waste recycling to be made available to residents of public housing. Having considered the same, and being unable to agree with the Majority, report with the following resolution: RESOLVED, that it is INEXPEDIENT TO LEGISLATE.

Rep. Tony Piemonte

FOR THE MINORITY OF THE COMMITTEE

**MINORITY
COMMITTEE REPORT**

Committee:	Municipal and County Government
Bill Number:	HB 1172-FN
Title:	requiring composting and waste recycling to be made available to residents of public housing.
Date:	March 10, 2022
Consent Calendar:	REGULAR
Recommendation:	INEXPEDIENT TO LEGISLATE

STATEMENT OF INTENT

This bill was designed to make public access to composting mandatory. The New Hampshire Municipal Association opposed the bill. The minority felt that this legislation needed a broader approach.

Rep. Tony Piemonte
FOR THE MINORITY

Original: House Clerk
Cc: Committee Bill File

REGULAR CALENDAR

Municipal and County Government

HB 1172-FN, requiring composting and waste recycling to be made available to residents of public housing. **INEXPEDIENT TO LEGISLATE.**

Rep. Tony Piemonte for the **Minority** of Municipal and County Government. This bill was designed to make public access to composting mandatory. The New Hampshire Municipal Association opposed the bill. The minority felt that this legislation needed a broader approach.

Original: House Clerk

Cc: Committee Bill File

HOUSE COMMITTEE ON MUNICIPAL AND COUNTY GOVERNMENT

EXECUTIVE SESSION on HB 1172-FN

BILL TITLE: requiring composting and waste recycling to be made available to residents of public housing.

DATE: October 11, 2022

LOB ROOM: 301 - 303

MOTION:

Interim Study (2nd yr) Not Recommended for Future Legislation

Moved by Rep. Piemonte

Seconded by Rep. Tripp

Vote: 10-7

CONSENT CALENDAR: NO

Statement of Intent: Refer to Committee Report

Respectfully submitted,

Rep John MacDonald, Clerk

HOUSE COMMITTEE ON MUNICIPAL AND COUNTY GOVERNMENT

EXECUTIVE SESSION on HB 1172-FN

10/11/22

BILL TITLE: requiring composting and waste recycling to be made available to residents of public housing.


DATE: 10/11/22

LOB ROOM: 301 - 303

MOTION: Recommended for Future Legislation
 Not Recommended for Future Legislation

Moved by Rep. Piemonte Seconded by Rep. Tripp Vote: 10-7

Respectfully submitted,

Rep. 
Committee Clerk

Piemonte
Rep. ~~Messina~~
Rep. Maggione.

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Report

2022 SESSION

Municipal and County Government

Bill #: HB 1172 Motion: Not Recommended AM #: _____ Exec Session Date: 10/11/22

<u>Members</u>	<u>YEAS</u>	<u>Nays</u>	<u>NV</u>
Dolan, Tom Chairman	10		
Piemonte, Tony Vice Chairman	1		
MacDonald, John T. Clerk	2		
Tripp, Richard P.	3		
Guthrie, Joseph A.	4		
Lascelles, Richard W.	5		
McBride, Everett P. Rep. Plett	6		
Melvin, Charles R.	7		
Ayer, Paul F. Rep. Smith	8		
Pauer, Diane	9		
Maggiore, Jim V.		1	
Treleaven, Susan GS			
Gilman, Julie D.		2	
Stavis, Laurel		3	
Mangipudi, Latha D.		4	
Vann, Ivy C.		5	
Klee, Patricia S.			
Gallager, Eric B.		6	
Rung, Rosemarie Rep. Runk		7	
TOTAL VOTE:			

HOUSE COMMITTEE ON MUNICIPAL AND COUNTY GOVERNMENT

EXECUTIVE SESSION on HB 1172-FN

BILL TITLE: requiring composting and waste recycling to be made available to residents of public housing.

DATE: February 23, 2022

LOB ROOM: 301 - 303

MOTIONS: OUGHT TO PASS WITH AMENDMENT

Moved by Rep. Vann

Seconded by Rep. Stavis

AM Vote: 17-2

Amendment # 2022-0658h

MOTIONS: REFER FOR INTERIM STUDY

Moved by Rep. Vann

Seconded by Rep. Stavis

Vote: 11-8

CONSENT CALENDAR: NO

Statement of Intent: Refer to Committee Report

Respectfully submitted,

Rep John MacDonald, Clerk

HOUSE COMMITTEE ON MUNICIPAL AND COUNTY GOVERNMENT

EXECUTIVE SESSION on HB 1172-FN

BILL TITLE: requiring composting and waste recycling to be made available to residents of public housing.

DATE: 2/23/22

LOB ROOM: 301-303

MOTION: (Please check one box)

OTP ~~ITL~~ Retain (1st year) Adoption of Amendment # 2022-0658h (if offered)
Moved by Rep. Lascelles UANN Secended by Rep. Aker STAVIS Vote: 17-2

MOTION: (Please check one box)

OTP OTP/A ITL Retain (1st year) Adoption of Amendment # 11-8 (if offered)
Moved by Rep. UANN Secended by Rep. STAVIS Vote: _____

MOTION: (Please check one box)

OTP OTP/A ITL Retain (1st year) Adoption of Amendment # _____ (if offered)
Moved by Rep. _____ Secended by Rep. _____ Vote: _____

MOTION: (Please check one box)

OTP OTP/A ITL Retain (1st year) Adoption of Amendment # _____ (if offered)
Moved by Rep. _____ Secended by Rep. _____ Vote: _____

CONSENT CALENDAR: _____ YES _____ NO

Minority Report? _____ Yes _____ No If yes, author, Rep: _____ Motion: _____

Rep. Gallagher MAJORITY

Respectfully submitted: [Signature] Rep John MacDonald, Clerk



2022 SESSION

Municipal and County Government

HB 1172 FN Motion: ~~Amend~~ Adoption of 2022-0658h AM #: Exec Session Date: 2/23/22

<u>Members</u>	<u>YEAS</u>	<u>Nays</u>	<u>NV</u>
Dolan, Tom Chairman		2	
Piemonte, Tony Vice Chairman	1		
MacDonald, John T. Clerk	2		
Tripp, Richard P.	3		
Guthrie, Joseph A.		1	
Lascelles, Richard W.	4		
McBride, Everett P. Rep. Plett	5		
Melvin, Charles R.	6		
Ayer, Paul F.	7		
Pauer, Diane	8		
Maggiore, Jim V.	9		
Treleaven, Susan GS	10		
Gilman, Julie D.	11		
Stavis, Laurel	12		
Mangipudi, Latha D.	13		
Vann, Ivy C.	14		
Klee, Patricia S.	15		
Gallager, Eric B.	16		
Rung, Rosemarie	17		
TOTAL VOTE:	17	2	



2022 SESSION

Municipal and County Government

Bill #: HB1172 FN Motion: Interim AM #: _____ Exec Session Date: 2/23/22

<u>Members</u>	<u>YEAS</u>	<u>Nays</u>	<u>NV</u>
	11		
Dolan, Tom Chairman			
Piemonte, Tony Vice Chairman		1	
MacDonald, John T. Clerk		2	
Tripp, Richard P.		3	
Guthrie, Joseph A.		4	
Lascelles, Richard W.	1		
McBride, Everett P. <i>Plett</i>		5	
Melvin, Charles R.		6	
Ayer, Paul F.		7	
Pauer, Diane		8	
Maggiore, Jim V.	2		
Treleaven, Susan GS	3		
Gilman, Julie D.	4		
Stavis, Laurel	5		
Mangipudi, Latha D.	6		
Vann, Ivy C.	7		
Klee, Patricia S.	8		
Gallager, Eric B.	9		
Rung, Rosemarie	10		
TOTAL VOTE:			

HOUSE COMMITTEE ON MUNICIPAL AND COUNTY GOVERNMENT

PUBLIC HEARING ON HB 1172-FN

BILL TITLE: requiring composting and waste recycling to be made available to residents of public housing.

DATE: February 9, 2022

LOB ROOM: 301 - 303 **Time Public Hearing Called to Order:** 12:49 p.m.

Time Adjourned: 1:45 p.m.

Committee Members: Reps. Dolan, Piemonte, J. MacDonald, Tripp, Lascelles, Pauer, Maggiore, Gilman, Stavis, Mangipudi, Vann, Klee, Gallagher and Rung

Bill Sponsors:
Rep. Gallagher

TESTIMONY

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

Rep. Ivy Vann - Introduced the bill. Provide the tenants of the facility with composting facilities.

Natch Gneyes, NH Municipal Association - Opposes the bill. Requiring municipalities to collect compost. We need something broader as a statewide approach to composting.

Rep. Mangipudi: The NHMA opposes zoning and planning. What does the NHMA support or not support? **ANS:** Takes away local control or state mandate that costs the towns/municipalities. Composting at a local option.

Rep. Tripp: Meaning of public housing. The legislature cannot pass any laws without funding them, article 28a? **ANS:** Article 28a - offset some of the costs at solid waste facilities and it is sold to farmers. I can't predict the market. I don't know if it would work without putting in another bin.

Rep. Rung: HB 1406, if passed, would it not make this bill necessary? **ANS:** They would make a lot of compost collectively.

Rep. Stavis: Prime sponsor of this bill is here.

Rep. Eric Gallagher - Prime sponsor of the bill. Concord Representative. Downtown Concord public housing projects. Just have a single dumpster. I bring my compost to my parents house. Access to facility, public housing would make a 2nd dumpster available for material for composting. Improve waste management policies. Improve quality of life at public housing.

Rep. Stavis: Subsidized housing? **ANS:** Yes, Concord housing accepts Section 8. The state has a rule in setting conditions of standard of living. Anything that prevents them from composting? **ANS:** Financial - my parents have a backyard. My apartment does not - a green space. our local recycling is not available on the bus lines or bus stops.

Rep. Pauer: Line 4, word access - Do you agree the language is unclear and needs work? **ANS:** Yes, I am not really sure of what language i better to use. I am thinking a dumpster in a parking complex.

Rep. Mangipudi: Go look at Grow Nashua curbside pickup. Have you seen what Vermont is doing?
ANS: Concord does have curbside for the bigger apartments. There would not be enough room for curbside.

Rep. Gilman: Public Housing Authority have rules, standards of living. Could the residents petition to do this? ANS: Yes, they could petition. But it might be difficult. The Housing Authority is one way. This is my approach to do it by legislation.

Rep. Rung: Amend town to municipality.

Rep. Dolan: They are all interchangeable.

Rep. Rung: Access on site? ANS: My intent was on site. I would prefer it to be on site. The point is to have it available.

Rep. Pauer: Facility, no necessary a dumpster? ANS: Facility should be replaced.

Respectfully submitted,

Rep. John MacDonald
Clerk

House Remote Testify

Municipal and County Government Committee Testify List for Bill HB1172 on 2022-02-09

Support: 2 Oppose: 7 Neutral: 0 Total to Testify: 0

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<u>Name</u>	<u>City, State</u> <u>Email Address</u>	<u>Title</u>	<u>Representing</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Testifying</u>	<u>Non-Germane</u>	<u>Signed Up</u>
Noyes, Chris	Bethlehem, NH Chris@crosstowncourierservice.com	A Member of the Public	Myself	Oppose	No	No	2/5/2022 3:56 PM
Medeiros, Jesse	Plainfield, NH bgtrek458@gmail.com	A Member of the Public	Myself	Oppose	No	No	2/6/2022 3:50 PM
Dargie, Paul	Milford, NH pauldargie@gmail.com	An Elected Official	Myself	Oppose	No	No	2/6/2022 5:26 PM
Kudlik, Cindy	Grafton, NH CindyKudlik@protonmail.com	An Elected Official	Myself	Oppose	No	No	2/7/2022 2:20 PM
Howland, Curtis	Manchester, NH howland@priss.com	A Member of the Public	Myself	Oppose	No	No	2/7/2022 4:11 PM
Barndollar, Karin	Portsmouth, NH karin.bdollars@gmail.com	A Member of the Public	Myself	Support	No	No	2/7/2022 8:32 PM
Buschbacher, Dan	Manchester, NH Dbuschbacher@gmail.com	A Member of the Public	Myself	Oppose	No	No	2/8/2022 6:54 AM
Ferrantello, Anthony	Keene, NH ajfnino@gmail.com	A Member of the Public	Myself	Oppose	No	No	2/9/2022 8:00 AM
Foss, Carol	Concord, NH cfoss@nhaudubon.org	A Lobbyist	NH Audubon	Support	No	No	2/9/2022 9:30 AM



February 9, 2022

The Honorable Tom Dolan
House Municipal and County Government Committee
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NEWFOUND CENTER

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Hebron, NH 03241
Phone 603-744-3516

Re: Support of HB 1172 requiring composting and waste recycling to be made available to residents of public housing.

Dear Chair Dolan and Members of the Committee:

Thank you for this opportunity to provide testimony regarding HB 1172 on behalf of NH Audubon. We are a statewide conservation organization dedicated to protecting New Hampshire's environment for wildlife and for people.

We support providing access to composting and waste recycling facilities for public housing residents. Disposal of solid waste is an increasing challenge in New Hampshire. Wastes deposited in landfills break down very slowly and produce toxins, leachates, and greenhouse gasses. Acreage available for landfills is limited, and capped landfills must be monitored for at least 30 years after closure. Waste incineration dramatically reduces the volume of material that must be landfilled, but is expensive and even with emissions control technologies releases pollutants to the air.

Dumpsters are the only option for waste disposal for many of New Hampshire's public housing units. As a result, household waste from these units that could be recycled or composted winds up at a landfill or incinerator.

In the U.S. approximately 40% of all food grown goes to waste. Food waste that goes to the landfill decomposes anaerobically. This process releases methane, a potent greenhouse gas that contributes more per molecule to climate change than carbon dioxide. Food waste typically has a relatively high moisture content, which makes it inefficient to incinerate.

Composting unused food creates a useable product that supports soil health and, in turn, healthier ecosystems. It also preserves increasingly valuable landfill space for other types of waste that cannot as easily be converted into useable products, thereby reducing the need for landfill expansions and new landfill development. The aerobic decomposition that occurs during composting creates a mix of materials that act as a slow-release fertilizer and help to retain moisture in the soil. Thus, applications

of compost create long-lasting benefits for soil health where the compost is spread.

Recycling solid wastes, from paper to beverage containers, cardboard to clothing, reduces the volume of material sent to landfills and incinerators, provides a domestic source of materials that reduces extraction of natural resources, prevents pollution and greenhouse gas emissions, and saves energy.

Recycling and composting also create jobs. Many composting businesses are small, local businesses that bring new jobs to the communities in which they are located. Increasing the accessibility of services for residents of public housing would increase support for these local jobs.

Providing access to recycling and composting opportunities at public housing facilities would benefit New Hampshire's environment, economy, and quality of life. We urge you to vote HB 1172 OUGHT TO PASS.

Sincerely,



Carol R. Foss
Senior Advisor for Science and Policy

Heather Goley

From: Brett Tourigny <tourigny936@gmail.com>
Sent: Sunday, January 30, 2022 8:19 PM
To: ~House Municipal and County Govt
Subject: HB1172

My name is Brett Tourigny, resident of Moultonborough NH. I oppose this bill.

HB 1172-FN - AS INTRODUCED

2022 SESSION

22-2265
05/04

HOUSE BILL ***1172-FN***

AN ACT requiring composting and waste recycling to be made available to residents of public housing.

SPONSORS: Rep. Gallager, Merr. 15

COMMITTEE: Municipal and County Government

ANALYSIS

This bill requires towns to ensure that residents of public housing have access to a composting and waste recycling facility.

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 Twenty Two

AN ACT requiring composting and waste recycling to be made available to residents of public housing.

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

1 1 New Paragraph; Solid Waste Management; Town Responsibility and Authority; Composting
2 and Waste Recycling For Residents of Public Housing. Amend RSA 149-M:17 by inserting after
3 paragraph VI the following new paragraph:

4 VII. Each town shall ensure that residents of public housing located in the town have access
5 to a composting and waste recycling facility.

6 2 Effective Date. This act shall take effect 60 days after its passage.

**HB 1172-FN- FISCAL NOTE
AS INTRODUCED**

AN ACT requiring composting and waste recycling to be made available to residents of public housing.

FISCAL IMPACT: State County Local None

LOCAL:	Estimated Increase / (Decrease)			
	FY 2022	FY 2023	FY 2024	FY 2025
Revenue	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Expenditures	\$0	Indeterminable Increase	Indeterminable Increase	Indeterminable Increase

METHODOLOGY:

This bill requires towns to ensure residents of public housing have access to composting and waste recycling facilities. The New Hampshire Municipal Association states there would be an indeterminable increase in local expenditures for towns, with residents of public housing that currently do not have access to composting and waste recycling facilities. They are also unable to determine which options towns would choose in providing these types of facilities since there are various options when choosing access to composting and waste recycling facilities.

It is assumed the fiscal impact would not occur until FY 2023.

AGENCIES CONTACTED:

New Hampshire Municipal Association