

SB 459-FN - AS AMENDED BY THE SENATE

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2024 SESSION

24-3005

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SENATE BILL

***459-FN***

AN ACT

establishing a committee to study the child protection act.

SPONSORS:

Sen. Carson, Dist 14; Sen. Whitley, Dist 15; Rep. M. Pearson, Rock. 34; Rep. Cordelli, Carr. 7

COMMITTEE:

Judiciary

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AMENDED ANALYSIS

This bill establishes a committee to study the child protection act.

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Matter which is either (a) all new or (b) repealed and reenacted appears in regular type.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

AN ACT establishing a committee to study the child protection act.

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

1 1 Committee Established. There is established a committee to study the child protection act.

2 2 Membership and Compensation.

3 I. The members of the committee shall be as follows:

4 (a) Two members of the senate, one from the majority and one from the minority,  
5 appointed by the president of the senate.

6 (b) Three members of the house of representatives, appointed by the speaker of the  
7 house of representatives.

8 II. Members of the committee shall receive mileage at the legislative rate when attending to  
9 the duties of the committee.

10 3 Duties. The committee shall:

11 I. Study the definitions under the child protection act.

12 II. Study circumstances creating a rebuttable presumption of harm under RSA 169-C:12-f  
13 and prospective repeal of the section on July 1, 2024, pursuant to 2020, 26:56.

14 III. Study the expansion of the child abuse reporting requirement to include health care  
15 providers who treat a child under 13 years of age for a sexually transmitted disease.

16 IV. Propose any legislation the committee deems appropriate as a result of its study.

17 4 Chairperson; Quorum. The members of the study committee shall elect a chairperson from  
18 among the members. The first meeting of the committee shall be called by the first-named senate  
19 member. The first meeting of the committee shall be held within 45 days of the effective date of this  
20 section. Three members of the committee shall constitute a quorum.

21 5 Report. The committee shall report its findings and any recommendations for proposed  
22 legislation to the president of the senate, the speaker of the house of representatives, the senate  
23 clerk, the house clerk, the governor, and the state library on or before November 1, 2024.

24 6 Effective Date. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

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Amended 4/23/24

**SB 459-FN- FISCAL NOTE**  
**AS AMENDED BY THE SENATE (AMENDMENT #2024-1471s)**

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**FISCAL IMPACT:**    ☐ State            ☐ County        ☐ Local            ☒ None

**METHODOLOGY:**

The Office of Legislative Budget Assistant states this bill, as amended by the Senate, will have no impact on state, county or local expenditures or revenue.

**AGENCIES CONTACTED:**

None