

Amendment to HB 620

1 Amend the bill by replacing section 1 with the following:

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3 1 Compliance With Federal Provisions. Amend RSA 186:6 to read as follows:

4 186:6 Compliance With Federal Provisions. The state board may also make the regulations  
5 necessary to enable the state to comply with the provisions of any law of the United States intended  
6 to promote vocational or other education, to abolish illiteracy and Americanize immigrants, to  
7 equalize educational opportunities, to promote physical health and recreation, and to provide an  
8 adequate supply of trained teachers. ***The state board shall not propose rules that require a***  
9 ***school district or school to expand or modify activities to implement a curriculum, method***  
10 ***of instruction, or statewide assessment program that necessitate additional expenditures***  
11 ***from local revenues. The state board shall not propose a rule pursuant to RSA 541-A that***  
12 ***exceeds the minimum requirements of state or federal law. Proposed rules designed to***  
13 ***implement federal law may exceed the minimum requirements of federal law only if, and***  
14 ***to the extent that, state statute explicitly authorizes the state board to exceed the***  
15 ***minimum requirements of federal law.***

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AMENDED ANALYSIS

This bill prohibits the state board of education from proposing rules that require a school district to comply with a federally mandated curriculum, method of instruction, or statewide assessment program which necessitates the expenditure of local revenues. The bill also repeals a statute relating to rules which exceed state or federal minimum requirements.