

**CHAPTER 70**  
**HB 343 - FINAL VERSION**

2019 SESSION

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HOUSE BILL                    **343**

AN ACT                    relative to application of the state fire code to foster homes.

SPONSORS:            Rep. Morrison, Rock. 9; Rep. Doucette, Rock. 8; Rep. Sylvia, Belk. 6; Rep. McGuire, Merr. 29; Rep. Rice, Hills. 37; Rep. Cahill, Rock. 17; Rep. Crawford, Carr. 4; Rep. Berrien, Rock. 18

COMMITTEE:          Executive Departments and Administration

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ANALYSIS

This bill provides that a foster family home shall be exempt from local fire regulations and ordinances provided that the home complies with the requirements of the state fire code.

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                         Matter which is either (a) all new or (b) repealed and reenacted appears in regular type.

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*In the Year of Our Lord Two Thousand Nineteen*

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

1            70:1 Foster Home Licensing; Compliance with State Fire Code. Amend RSA 170-E:28, II to read  
2 as follows:

3            II. Either the state fire marshal or the local fire department shall review compliance of the  
4 foster family home with ~~[applicable state fire safety laws and local ordinances]~~ ***the state fire code***.  
5 In conducting the review, the state fire marshal or local fire department shall apply the appropriate  
6 single family or multi-unit dwelling provisions of the ~~[applicable]~~ ***state fire code***. ***A foster family***  
7 ***home shall be exempt from local fire regulations and ordinances, provided that the home***  
8 ***complies with the requirements of the state fire code.***

70:2 Effective Date. This act shall take effect 60 days after its passage.

Approved: June 07, 2019  
Effective Date: August 06, 2019