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Amendment to HB 1604-FN

1 Amend the bill by replacing all after the enacting clause with the following:

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- 1 Medical Freedom from Immunization; Exemption for State Medical Facilities. RSA 141-C:1-a, II(e) is repealed and reenacted to read as follows:
- (e) Apply to a county nursing home, the New Hampshire state hospital, or any other medical facility or provider operated by the state of New Hampshire or any political subdivision identified in paragraph I, which is subject to a valid and enforceable Medicare or Medicaid condition of participation that imposes a vaccination requirement. Such facilities or providers shall, upon an employee's, contractor's, patient's, visitor's, or student's request for a medical, religious, or conscientious exemption, grant such exemption. The written request for exemption shall simply state: "I, (insert requestor's name), hereby submit a request for a medical, religious, or conscientious exemption from the required vaccinations. (insert requestor's signature and date)" and it shall be granted.
 - 2 Effective Date. This act shall take effect 60 days after its passage.

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AMENDED ANALYSIS

This bill requires state hospitals and medical facilities that institute a vaccination requirement to grant an exemption on medical or religious grounds or as a matter of conscience.