

Appendix A – Authorizing Legislation for HB 1295

CHAPTER 71

HB 1295 – FINAL VERSION

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HOUSE BILL **1295**

AN ACT establishing a Commission to study issues relating to stormwater.

SPONSORS: Rep. Spang, Straf 7; Rep. Borden, Rock 18; Sen. Cilley, Dist 6

COMMITTEE: Resources, Recreation and Development

ANALYSIS

This bill establishes a Commission to study issues relating to stormwater.

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Matter which is either (a) all new or (b) repealed and reenacted appears in regular type.

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STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

In the Year of Our Lord Two Thousand Eight

AN ACT establishing a Commission to study issues relating to stormwater.

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

71:1 Commission Established. There is established a Commission to study the issue of stormwater management.

71:2 Membership and Compensation.

I. The members of the Commission shall be as follows:

(a) Three members of the house of representatives, including at least one member of the resources, recreation, and development committee, appointed by the speaker of the house of representatives.

(b) One member of the senate, appointed by the president of the senate.

(c) The Commissioner of the department of environmental services, or designee.

- (d) A representative of the New Hampshire Association of Regional Planning Commissions, appointed by that organization.
- (e) A representatives of the Business and Industry Association of New Hampshire, appointed by that organization.
- (f) A representative of the New Hampshire Local Government Center, appointed by that organization.
- (g) An expert on stormwater management or watershed management from the university system of New Hampshire, appointed by the university president.
- (h) The director of the office of energy and planning, or designee.
- (i) A representative of the Home Builders & Remodelers Association of New Hampshire, appointed by that organization.
- (j) A member of the New Hampshire Rivers Council, appointed by that organization.
- (k) A member of the New Hampshire Lakes Association, appointed by that organization.
- (l) A representative of the Associated General Contractors of New Hampshire, appointed by that organization.
- (m) A representative of the New Hampshire Public Works Association who is employed by a municipal separate storm sewer system community.
- (n) A representative of the American Council of Engineering Companies of New Hampshire, appointed by the council.
- (o) The Commissioner of the department of transportation, or designee.
- (p) A member of the Nature Conservancy, appointed by that organization.
- (q) A member of the New Hampshire Timberland Owners Association, appointed by that organization.
- (r) A member of the New Hampshire Farm Bureau, appointed by that organization.

II. Legislative members of the Commission shall receive mileage at the legislative rate when attending to the duties of the Commission.

71:3 Duties. The Commission shall study:

- (a) The effects of stormwater and stormwater management on water quality, water supply and quantity, terrestrial and aquatic habitat, flooding, and drought hazards.
- (b) The relationship between land use change and stormwater.
- (c) The relationships among and adequacy of federal, state, and local regulations and practices that pertain to stormwater management.
- (d) State and municipal infrastructure construction and maintenance practices.
- (e) The role of design, construction, and maintenance practices by residential, commercial, and industrial property owners.

(f) The effects of climate change on stormwater and stormwater management.

71:4 Chairperson. The members of the Commission shall elect a chairperson from among the members. The first meeting of the Commission shall be called by the first-named house member. The first meeting of the Commission shall be held within 45 days of the effective date of this section.

71:5 Report. The Commission shall make an interim report on or before November 1, 2008, with a final report of its findings and any recommendations for proposed legislation to the speaker of the house of representatives, the president of the senate, the house clerk, the senate clerk, the governor, and the state library on or before November 1, 2009.

71:6 Effective Date. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

Approved: May 21, 2008

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