

## Section 1 Header

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HOUSE BILL

*[bill number]*

AN ACT

repealing the refugee resettlement program in the department of health and human services and prohibiting expenditure of state funds on refugee resettlement.

SPONSORS: [sponsors]

COMMITTEE: [committee]

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### ANALYSIS

This bill repeals the refugee resettlement program in the department of health and human services and prohibits expenditure of state funds on refugee resettlement.

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Matter which is either (a) all new or (b) repealed and reenacted appears in regular type.

## STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

*In the Year of Our Lord Two Thousand Twenty-Six*

AN ACT

repealing the refugee resettlement program in the department of health and human services and prohibiting expenditure of state funds on refugee resettlement.

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

1       1 Termination of Refugee Program Administered Through the Department of Health and  
2 Human Services.

3           I. In this section "refugee resettlement programs" means U.S. Refugee Admissions Program  
4 (USRAP) and any other federal programs or non profit programs or grants designed to settle, fund,  
5 or otherwise help refugees or asylees.

6           II. On the effective date of this section, the department of health and human services shall,  
7 as promptly as practicable, terminate any contracts administered under the New Hampshire refugee  
8 resettlement program.

9           III. No department, agency, or administrative unit of state government may accept money  
10 from any source for refugee resettlement.

11           VI. No department, agency or administrative unit of state government may spend money to  
12 settle, fund, or otherwise assist refugee resettlement, either directly or indirectly via payments to  
13 towns or non governmental organizations.

14       2 Severability Clause. If any provision of this act or its application is held invalid, the  
15 remainder shall not be affected.

16       3 Repeal. RSA 161:2, XVIII, relative to the New Hampshire refugee resettlement program, is  
17 repealed.

18       4 Effective Date. This act shall take effect 60 days after its passage.