

## Section 1 Header

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HOUSE BILL        ***[bill number]***

AN ACT            relative to a motor vehicle exception to criminal restraint or false imprisonment.

SPONSORS:        [sponsors]

COMMITTEE:       [committee]

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### ANALYSIS

This bill adds an exception to the criminal restraint and false imprisonment statutes based on temporary detainment in a motor vehicle.

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                         Matter which is either (a) all new or (b) repealed and reenacted appears in regular type.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

AN ACT                      relative to a motor vehicle exception to criminal restraint or false imprisonment.

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

1            1 Interference With Freedom; Criminal Restraint. Amend RSA 633:2 to read as follows:  
2            633:2 Criminal Restraint.

3            I. A person is guilty of a class B felony if ~~he~~ **such person** knowingly confines another  
4 unlawfully in circumstances exposing ~~him~~ **such other person** to risk of serious bodily injury.

5            II. The meaning of "confines another unlawfully", as used in this section and RSA 633:3,  
6 includes but is not limited to confinement accomplished by force, threat, or deception or, in the case  
7 of a person who is under the age of 16 or incompetent, if it is accomplished without the consent of his  
8 **or her** parent or guardian. **"Confines another unlawfully" shall not include confinement in a**  
9 **motor vehicle caused by a temporary circumstance such as traffic, parades, or protest,**  
10 **where there is minimal risk of bodily harm.**

11           2 Effective Date. This act shall take effect January 1, 2023.