

New Hampshire Department of Revenue Administration

Fiscal Note Quick Guide

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HB 568-FN, *relative to the taxability of lease interests in public property.*

House Ways & Means

The proposed bill clarifies the current requirement that private use or occupancy of public property is subject to property taxation.

The proposed bill expands the political subdivisions that are required to include the property taxation language in leases to include counties. This may result in an indeterminable decrease in county revenue as lease terms may be renegotiated to account for this new property tax burden imposed on lessees.

The proposed bill allows for the creation of local option property tax exemptions for leases of agricultural land. There would be a small but indeterminable cost to create and administer this local option exemption. There would be a small but indeterminable redistribution of the property tax burden within municipalities that adopt such a local option exemption, but there would be no net impact on municipal revenue.