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SENATE BILL **67**

AN ACT relative to the definitions of resident and residency.

SPONSORS: Sen. Levesque, Dist 12; Sen. Hennessey, Dist 5; Sen. Rosenwald, Dist 13; Sen. Fuller Clark, Dist 21; Sen. Kahn, Dist 10; Sen. Feltes, Dist 15; Rep. Buchanan, Merr. 15; Rep. Telerski, Hills. 35; Rep. Levesque, Straf. 4; Rep. Espitia, Hills. 31; Rep. Cohen, Hills. 28

COMMITTEE: Election Law and Municipal Affairs

ANALYSIS

This bill makes changes to the definitions of resident and residency.

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Matter which is either (a) all new or (b) repealed and reenacted appears in regular type.

STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

In the Year of Our Lord Two Thousand Nineteen

AN ACT relative to the definitions of resident and residency.

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

1 1 Resident; Inhabitant. Amend RSA 21:6 to read as follows:

2 21:6 Resident; Inhabitant. A resident or inhabitant or both of this state and of any
3 city, town, or other political subdivision of this state shall be a person who is domiciled
4 or has a place of abode or both in this state and in any city, town, or other political
5 subdivision of this state, and who has, through all of his or her actions, demonstrated a
6 current intent to designate that place of abode as his or her principal place of physical
7 presence to the exclusion of all others. ***A person who satisfies the definition of resident***
8 ***or inhabitant in this section, but who does not have a current intent to maintain his or***
9 ***her domicile or place of abode within New Hampshire for the indefinite future,***
10 ***including military personnel, a student of any institution of learning, or a person***
11 ***employed for a fixed term, is not a resident for the purposes of Title XXI of New***
12 ***Hampshire's statutes governing motor vehicles.***

13 2 Residence. Amend RSA 21:6-a to read as follows:

14 21:6-a Residence. Residence or residency shall mean a person's place of abode or
15 domicile. The place of abode or domicile is that designated by a person as his or her
16 principal place of physical presence to the exclusion of all others. Such residence or
17 residency shall not be interrupted or lost by a temporary absence from it, if there is an
18 intent to return to such residence or residency as the principal place of physical
19 presence. ***A person who satisfies the definition of residency in this section, but who does***
20 ***not have a current intent to maintain his or her domicile or place of abode within New***
21 ***Hampshire for the indefinite future, including military personnel, a student of any***
22 ***institution of learning, or a person employed for a fixed term, is not a resident for the***
23 ***purposes of Title XXI of New Hampshire's statutes governing motor vehicles.***

24 3 Effective Date. This act shall take effect July 1, 2019.

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26 VETOED August 16, 2019