SCHOOL BOARD LEGAL STATUS

State law provides that public schools will be operated and maintained by local School Boards. As agents of the state, School Boards are required to implement state laws pertaining to public education and to carry out the rules of the State Board of Education.

The Board is an agent of the State and derives its authority from the New Hampshire Constitution, New Hampshire Statutes, and Rules of the State Board of Education.

Further, the School Board shall be responsible for establishing the structure, accountability, advocacy, and delivery of instruction in each school operated and governed in its district, consistent with applicable law.

Legal References:

RSA 189:1-a, Duty to Provide Education

RSA 194:1-3, School Districts: General Powers and Duties

RSA 186:5, State Board of Education Powers

RSA 197:1, General Powers and Duties of School Districts

N.H. Code of Administrative Rules-Section Ed. 303, Duties of School Boards

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