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Amendment to HB 243

1 Amend RSA 659:63 as inserted by section 1 of the bill by replacing it with the following:

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3       659:63 Counting ***and Tabulation*** to be Public. The counting ***and tabulation*** of votes shall be  
4 public and conducted within the guardrail and shall not be adjourned nor postponed until it shall  
5 have been completed. No ballot shall be placed within 4 feet of the guardrail during the counting of  
6 votes. ***In this section, "tabulation" means the aggregation of results from the long report***  
7 ***tapes and hand counting to determine the final results of an election in a polling place or***  
8 ***at the central polling location provided in RSA 659:59. Documents generated during the***  
9 ***tabulation of votes shall be available for public review when election results are***  
10 ***announced at the polling place. If RSA 659:75, II applies, the long report tape shall be***  
11 ***posted for public review at the polling place within 60 minutes of running the last ballot***  
12 ***through the machine or machines.***

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AMENDED ANALYSIS

This bill requires the tabulation of votes in an election to be done in public and requires documents generated during the tabulation of votes in an election also be made available to the public.