

Bill as Introduced

HB 1338 - AS INTRODUCED

2010 SESSION

10-2199

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HOUSE BILL **1338**

AN ACT relative to scholarships for higher education for early graduating high school students.

SPONSORS: Rep. Daniels, Hills 6

COMMITTEE: Municipal and County Government

ANALYSIS

This bill enables cities and towns to adopt and offer higher education scholarships for high school pupils to any high school pupil who graduates high school early and who achieves a score in the "proficient" range or above on all subjects tested in the statewide assessment. The scholarship would be equivalent to 1/2 of the total per pupil expenditure for high school pupils in such city or town to be used to defray tuition costs at any public or private institution of higher education within or outside of New Hampshire

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Matter which is either (a) all new or (b) repealed and reenacted appears in regular type.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

AN ACT relative to scholarships for higher education for early graduating high school students.

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

1 1 New Subdivision; Higher Education Scholarships for High School Pupils. Amend RSA 198 by
2 inserting after section 61 the following new subdivision:

3 Higher Education Scholarships for High School Pupils

4 198:62 Higher Education Scholarships for High School Pupils. Upon adoption of this subdivision
5 in a city or town, a pupil who graduates from high school prior to his or her scheduled graduation
6 date, and who achieves a score in the "proficient" range or above in all subjects tested in the
7 statewide assessments, shall receive from the city or town in which he or she resides, a scholarship
8 equal to 1/2 of the total per pupil expenditure for high school pupils in such city or town for the
9 purpose of defraying tuition costs at any public or private institution of higher education within or
10 outside of New Hampshire.

11 198:63 Procedure for Adoption.

12 I. Any town or city may adopt the provisions of RSA 198:62 in the following manner:

13 (a) In a town, other than a town that has adopted a charter pursuant to RSA 49-D, the
14 question shall be placed on the warrant of a special or annual town meeting, by the governing body
15 or by petition pursuant to RSA 39:3.

16 (b) In a city or town that has adopted a charter pursuant to RSA 49-C or RSA 49-D, the
17 legislative body may consider and act upon the question in accordance with its normal procedures for
18 passage of resolutions, ordinances, and other legislation. In the alternative, the legislative body of
19 such municipality may vote to place the question on the official ballot for any regular municipal
20 election.

21 II. The vote shall include the provisions of RSA 198:62. If a majority of those voting on the
22 question vote "yes," RSA 198:62 shall take effect within the town or city, on the date set by the
23 governing body, or July 1 following its adoption, whichever shall occur first.

24 III. A town or city may modify, if applicable, or rescind the provisions of RSA 198:62 in the
25 manner described in this section.

26 IV. An amendment to RSA 198:62 related to the amount of the scholarship or eligibility for
27 the scholarship, shall apply in a town or city which previously adopted the provision only after the
28 town or city complies with the procedure in this section, unless otherwise expressly required by law.

29 2 Effective Date. This act shall take effect 60 days after its passage.

Speakers

Hearing Minutes

HOUSE COMMITTEE ON MUNICIPAL AND COUNTY GOVERNMENT

PUBLIC HEARING ON HB 1338

BILL TITLE: relative to scholarships for higher education for early graduating high school students.

DATE: January 14, 2010

LOB ROOM: 301 **Time Public Hearing Called to Order:** 12:16 pm

Time Adjourned: 12:35 pm

(please circle if present)

Committee Members: Reps. ~~Cooney, Gagnon, Osborne, L. Brown, Laliberte, Wheeler, Boisvert, Carlson, Lauterborn, Lewis, Schuett, Patten, Boyce, C. Soucy, J. Sullivan, Crisler, Ferrante, Perkins~~ and Sterling.

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TESTIMONY

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Respectfully submitted,

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Voting Sheets

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EXECUTIVE SESSION on HB1338

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Amendments:

Sponsor: Rep. OLS Document #:

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Motions: OTP, OTP/A, ITL Interim Study (Please circle one.)

Moved by Rep. Osborne

Seconded by Rep. Wheeler

Vote: 17-0 (Please attach record of roll call vote.)

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Vote: (Please attach record of roll call vote.)

CONSENT CALENDAR VOTE: 17-0

(Vote to place on Consent Calendar must be unanimous.)

Statement of Intent: Refer to Committee Report

Respectfully submitted,

Rep. Dianne E. Schuett, Clerk,

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CONSENT CALENDAR VOTE: *YES*

(Vote to place on Consent Calendar must be unanimous.) *Salikerte / Sauterborn*

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MUNICIPAL AND COUNTY GOVERNMENT

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 PH Date: 1/14/2010 Exec Session Date: 1/20/2010

Motion: ITC Amendment #: _____

MEMBER	YEAS	NAYS
Cooney, Mary R, Chairman	17	
Gagnon, Raymond G, V Chairman	1	
Osborne, Jessie L	2	
Brown, Larry	3	
Laliberte, Suzanne S	4	
Wheeler, Deborah	5	
Boisvert, Ronald R	6	
Carlson, Nancy L	absent	
Lauterborn, Elaine M	7	
Lewis, Robert D	absent	
Schuett, Dianne E, Clerk	8	
Patten, Betsey L	9	
Boyce, Laurie J	10	
Soucy, Connie M	11	
Sullivan, James M	12	
Crisler, Margaret M	absent	
Ferrante, Beverly A	13	
Perkins, Amy Stasia	14	
Sterling, Franklin W	15	
<u>CUNNINGHAM</u>	16	
TOTAL VOTE:	17	0

Committee Report

CONSENT CALENDAR

January 21, 2010

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

REPORT OF COMMITTEE

**The Committee on MUNICIPAL AND COUNTY
GOVERNMENT to which was referred HB1338,**

**AN ACT relative to scholarships for higher education
for early graduating high school students. Having
considered the same, report the same with the following
Resolution: RESOLVED, That it is INEXPEDIENT TO
LEGISLATE.**

Rep. Jessie L Osborne

FOR THE COMMITTEE

COMMITTEE REPORT

Committee:	MUNICIPAL AND COUNTY GOVERNMENT
Bill Number:	HB1338
Title:	relative to scholarships for higher education for early graduating high school students.
Date:	January 21, 2010
Consent Calendar:	YES
Recommendation:	INEXPEDIENT TO LEGISLATE

STATEMENT OF INTENT

The committee commends the sponsor for his intentions, but finds that this bill does not address financial need nor will it save money. Further, school districts, not cities and towns are usually involved in awarding scholarships.

Vote 17-0.

Rep. Jessie L Osborne
FOR THE COMMITTEE

Original: House Clerk
Cc: Committee Bill File

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DATE: 1/20/2010 CONSENT CALENDAR: YES NO

- OUGHT TO PASS
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- INEXPEDIENT TO LEGISLATE
- INTERIM STUDY (Available only 2nd year of biennium)

Amendment No.

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COMMITTEE VOTE: 17-0

- Copy to Committee Bill File
- Use Another Report for Minority Report

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED,

Rep. Osborne
For the Committee