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15 Approved: July 23, 2010

16 Effective Date: September 21, 2010

Amendments

Senate Executive Departments and Administration
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Amendment to HB 1415

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Committee Minutes

**SENATE CALENDAR NOTICE
EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENTS AND ADMINISTRATION**

Senator Jacalyn Cilley Chairman ✓
 Senator Martha Fuller Clark V Chairman ✓
 Senator Betsi DeVries ✓
 Senator Michael Downing ✓
 Senator Sharon Carson ✓

*Start 3:10 pm
end 3:52 pm*

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Date: April 7, 2010

HEARINGS

Tuesday

4/13/2010

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENTS AND ADMINISTRATION

LOB 101

2:00 PM

(Name of Committee)

(Place)

(Time)

EXECUTIVE SESSION MAY FOLLOW

2:00 PM	HB510	relative to the position of director of vital records administration.
2:15 PM	HB1158	changing the name of the institutional review board to the vital records privacy board for health-related research.
2:30 PM	HB1271	(New Title) establishing a task force on work and family.
2:45 PM	HB1304	(New Title) extending the task force on homeless teenagers, the commission to study alternate fuel vehicles, the task force to study access to dental care, and the committee to study the certificate of need process.
3:00 PM	HB1415	relative to the donation of official records of state governors and members of Congress to the state of New Hampshire.

Sponsors:

HB510

Rep. Maurice Pilotte

Rep. Don Petterson

HB1158

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Rep. Joan Schulze

Rep. Joan Flurey

HB1271

Rep. Mary Gile

Sen. Sheila Roberge

Sen. Martha Fuller Clark

Rep. Rip Holden

HB1304

Rep. Barbara Shaw

Rep. Julie Brown

Rep. Jane Johnson

HB1415

Rep. James Splaine

Rep. Paul McEachern

Executive Departments & Administration Committee Hearing Report

TO: Members of the Senate

FROM: Patrick Murphy, *Legislative Aide*

RE: Hearing report on HB1415 relative to the donation of official records of state governors and members of Congress to the state of New Hampshire.

HEARING DATE: April 13, 2010

MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE PRESENT:

Senator Cilley (Dist 6), Senator Fuller Clark (Dist 24), Senator DeVries (Dist 18), Senator Downing (Dist 22), Senator Carson (Dist 14)

MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE ABSENT:

None

Sponsor(s):

Rep. Splaine, Rock 16; Rep. McEachern, Rock 16

What the bill does:

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Supporters of the bill:

Rep. Splaine, Rock 16; Rep. Baldasaro, Rock 3; Frank Mevers, State Archivist; Brian Nelson-Burford, State Records Keeper; Paul Twomey

Those in opposition to the bill:

None

Speaking to the bill/Neutral:

None

Summary of testimony received:

Rep. Splaine, Rock 16

- This bill requires the governor to donate a selection of his or her state records to the state within one year of leaving office. The bill also requires the director of the division of archives and record management to accept the official papers of any member of the New Hampshire Congressional delegation who donates his or her papers to the state.
- This sets up a formal process to accept official papers from NH's Governors.
- In response to questions from the Committee, Representative Splaine responded that he believes that the one year time frame is sufficient. There is no fiscal note because archives would collect this information as part of their normal operations and with their current resources.

Frank Mevers, State Archivist Brian Nelson-Burford, State Records Keeper

- In the past the State Archives has accepted donations like this but this would help us as we reach out to the former Governors to remind them to donate some of their official papers. This would give us a better forum to assist the former Governors as they review their papers and decide what to donate.
- Commented that yes it does take a lot of time to go through this information but this would be a step in the right direction to make sure that these documents are properly preserved.
- Archives have approximately 12 million items, some of which date back 300 years. We have 100,000 boxes in archives to go through. About 25 other states have requirements like this.
- We will fit this work in with everything else we do and we will get it done as we can. This added information would add up to a small percentage of the amount of documents we handle each year, and these records have significant value.
- Responded to the Committee that he would not support setting up a "friends of the archives" type of donations capacity because he does not want to compete with other groups like the NH Historical Society. Doesn't want to draw donations away from these other organizations. Has received several hundred thousand dollars over the years in federal grants that are accepted by Governor and Council on behalf of the Secretary of State. The right to know statute would address "sensitive" items that a former governor might donate.

Paul Twomey

- The last sentence of the bill allows the Governor and the Director to work together to determine what documents will be accessible. The Governor can choose what he or she wishes to donate. Supports the 1 year time frame in the bill.
- This isn't retro active but the Director can always contact past office holders to notify them of the opportunity to donate some of their official papers.
- Governors should not be allowed to take official papers with them when they leave office. They belong to the people of New Hampshire. The long term goal should be to collect all official papers from a governor when they leave office.

Funding:

None

Action:

Executive action is pending.

Date: April 13, 2010
Time: 3:10 p.m.
Room: LOB 101

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The Senate Committee on Executive Departments and Administration held a hearing on the following:

HB 1415 relative to the donation of official records of state
 governors and members of Congress to the state of New
 Hampshire.

Members of Committee present: Senator Cilley
 Senator Fuller Clark
 Senator DeVries
 Senator Downing
 Senator Carson

The Chair, Senator Jacalyn L. Cilley, opened the hearing on HB 1415 and invited the prime sponsor, Representative Jim Splaine, to introduce the legislation.

Senator Jacalyn L. Cilley, D. 6: Open the hearing on House Bill 1415 and, did I see Representative Splaine?

Unknown: Yes, he's right outside.

Senator Jacalyn L. Cilley, D. 6: Okay, I thought I just saw him. People are going in the wrong direction. Representative Splaine, welcome.

Representative Jim Splaine: Well, thank you.

Senator Jacalyn L. Cilley, D. 6: It's the first time I've seen you before the Committee this year.

Representative Splaine: I can come back again if you'd like.

Senator Jacalyn L. Cilley, D. 6: Any time, any time. So if you'd introduce yourself for the record.

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Representative Splaine: Madam Chair, members of the Committee, I'm Jim Splaine from Rockingham District 16, Portsmouth and Newington, former State Senator. Remember a lot of long meetings here in this room and I wish you the best on today. It looks like you have a number of issues.

I'm urging you to consider passing this legislation, because it is quite simple. It's a process that we're creating here and two members of the staff from New Hampshire Archives are here from the Secretary of State's Office to speak with you about the value of this legislation. We're creating a process that we could start to make sure that we save as formal official archives, papers from the Governor. And the Governor would, under this process, be asked within a year to donate a selection of his or her papers to archives or to a depository through agreement with the Director of Archives anywhere in the State. And that way, I think that it's clear that we would continue to have some formality for the saving, for the preservation of records from the person who was Governor.

There is no mandate here and I think that might be something that maybe another Legislature might look at, wanting to create decades from now. But at least it sets up a process that a selection of papers would be submitted to Archives for permanent keeping. And that's really the extent of the legislation. And perhaps we might, as they did at the public hearing that we had in the House a couple of months ago, you might ask the two archivists who are here about how they would collect them, how they would work with the person who would be donating them, the Governor. Bottom line, I think it's a way to make sure that these papers and New Hampshire's history is not lost. Not in somebody's garage, not to be easily lost like some of our history has been in past decades and centuries. And maybe 50 years from now, we'll look back and say that we did something good.

Thank you very much.

Senator Jacalyn L. Cilley, D. 6: Thank you. Are there questions? Senator Fuller Clark.

Senator Martha Fuller Clark, D. 24: I do. This has no FN and my concern is that somebody has to look after these papers, to store them appropriately with appropriate archival conditions. And I'm wondering if you could answer that for me, in terms of, and you said there was no mandate but it does require the Governor and it requires that also, that other papers be accepted from the New Hampshire Congressional Delegation. So I think there is a stewardship issue here, once they come to the State. And I just wonder if you could comment on that? And perhaps then we'll also have the Archivist comment.

Representative Splaine: I think they'll be commenting, as they did to that question at the public hearing in the House, that this is part of their function. They don't receive these materials and immediately catalog everything. But they are able to find locations at the State Archives for these donations. You might even ask them about the materials that they receive extensively from one of our members of the Governor's council, the Executive Council. He submits his papers from time to time and while there's no cost, appropriated additional appropriation to Archives, they're able to manage to hold onto those materials and eventually make them available to people who want to use those boxes of files and records for research. I think they may be able to address that very clearly when they speak.

Senator Martha Fuller Clark, D. 24: Thank you.

Senator Jacalyn L. Cilley, D. 6: Okay. Senator Carson.

Senator Sharon M. Carson, D. 14: Thank you, Madam Chair. Good afternoon, Representative. I'd like to bring your attention to line 9. You're talking about the records of the Governor and you're saying within one year of leaving office the Governor *shall* donate. There doesn't seem to be any discretion there.

And I'm wondering if one year is enough time for an individual to go through the number of papers that they might have? I'm thinking of our current Governor, who's been in office for six years. And I'm sure that he might have a big stack of papers and I'm just wondering if one year is enough time?

Representative Splaine: The only mandate, if you want to look at it as mandated, maybe I spoke that this was not a mandate. I was referring to the papers themselves. Everything that is in the Governor's Office, this legislation is not mandating be kept or be turned in to Archives. But the mandate is that within one year, and I think that's a fair period of time, you might consider an amendment to expand it. I think the House would agree to that. But within one year, the Governor shall donate a selection, and a selection can be, well, to meet the letter of the law, a letter, that would be donated to Archives. I think most people who have served as Governor would have a number of papers within a year that he or she would certainly be pleased to donate.

I did want to make sure that as we were drafting this legislation, and I worked out the wording with the Secretary of State and a couple of other people last November, the day before Thanksgiving. When we were working out the wording, I wanted to make sure that we're not talking about having

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to turn in Christmas cards or records of notes about discussions and meetings, or the appointment calendar of the Governor. Or that he or she has to turn in every letter that they receive on every issue. Some states do require similar archive collections to that, what I just described. But I don't think that we want to take that step in New Hampshire. But certainly a selection is fair and I think a selection, that letter of the law, can be met within one year. You might consider two, three. Again, I think that's a question that you might ask of the Archivists as to how they would handle something like that.

Senator Jacalyn L. Cilley, D. 6: Okay.

Senator Sharon M. Carson, D. 14: Thank you.

Senator Jacalyn L. Cilley, D. 6: Further questions? Representative Splaine, you started to touch on something I was going to ask. What do other states do? How many of them have a program? I guess, frankly, when I looked at this bill, I was surprised that there wasn't some mandate already in place that, you know, with our highest executive officer, that there wouldn't be a requirement that anything that goes on in that office would be a matter of public record.

Representative Splaine: One of the archivists will address that, too.

Senator Jacalyn L. Cilley, D. 6: Okay.

Representative Splaine: I'd rather let him address what some of the other states do.

Senator Jacalyn L. Cilley, D. 6: Okay.

Representative Splaine: Also, I should mention that Attorney Paul Twomey, who was

Senator Jacalyn L. Cilley, D. 6: He's actually the only other person I have down here to speak. But either it's on another sheet of paper or we'll figure out who else intended to speak.

Representative Splaine: He had suggested that I consider this last fall, along with a couple of other issues we had discussed. And I think he might be knowledgeable about some of the other states as well.

Senator Jacalyn L. Cilley, D. 6: Okay.

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Representative Splaine: It is to me surprising that here in our state of New Hampshire, which has such a long history, that we haven't addressed this yet in some sort of formal way. So it makes a lot of sense.

Senator Jacalyn L. Cilley, D. 6: Okay. Any final questions?
Representative Splaine, thank you very much.

Representative Splaine: Nice talking with you.

Senator Jacalyn L. Cilley, D. 6: Thank you for bringing this forward.

Representative Splaine: Thank you.

Senator Jacalyn L. Cilley, D. 6: Nice seeing you. I still only see, I see Representative Baldasaro has signed up in support, not wishing to speak. And I see Paul Twomey. Who is the Archivist? Oh, I'm sorry. And your name is?

Dr. Frank Mevers: Frank Mevers.

Senator Jacalyn L. Cilley, D. 6: Did you want to speak?

Dr. Mevers: I will if you would like.

Senator Jacalyn L. Cilley, D. 6: Okay. Why don't, does it make any difference, you want to toss a coin? I just want to make sure we hear from both of you.

Attorney Paul Twomey: My remarks are probably shorter if the Archivist speaks first.

Senator Jacalyn L. Cilley, D. 6: Okay. That way, any questions that he can't answer, we'll ask you.

Attorney Paul Twomey: Probably be more accurate if he speaks.

Senator Jacalyn L. Cilley, D. 6: Mr. Mevers, if you'd come forward. We've had a day of recordkeeping, vital records, archives.

Dr. Mevers: May I ask the State Records Manager to come up here with me?

Senator Jacalyn L. Cilley, D. 6: Absolutely. And ...?

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Dr. Mevers: His name is Brian Nelson-Burford. And my name is Frank Mevers, M-e-v-e-r-s.

Senator Jacalyn L. Cilley, D. 6: M-e-v?

Dr. Mevers: M-e-v-e-r-s.

Senator Jacalyn L. Cilley, D. 6: Oh, okay, I had you down with two e's. Okay. Mr. Nelson-Burford?

Mr. Brian Nelson-Burford: Burford.

Senator Jacalyn L. Cilley, D. 6: Burford.

Mr. Nelson-Burford: Right.

Senator Jacalyn L. Cilley, D. 6: You are the State Records Keeper?

Mr. Nelson-Burford: State Records Manager.

Senator Jacalyn L. Cilley, D. 6: State Records Manager, okay.

Mr. Nelson-Burford: Yes.

Senator Jacalyn L. Cilley, D. 6: And you are both in support or opposition to the bill?

Mr. Nelson-Burford: Support.

Dr. Mevers: Support.

Senator Jacalyn L. Cilley, D. 6: Okay, and speaking. Okay. Alright, and so if you will, well, I guess you have identified yourself for the records, that's sufficiently okay? Okay, so Mr. Mevers and Mr. Nelson-Burford.

Dr. Mevers: Thank you, Madam Chairman. As your State Archivist, I am pleased beyond words that this bill has come forward. We have in the past taken records from various governors and Congressmen and councilors, as Representative Splaine mentioned. Because they are state papers and we are the State Archives and we take their records.

And in the course of events, several of those collections have been processed, we call it. That is, gone through and weeded out to some extent and inventories made and even indexes made, over the years. It takes a long

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time. Senator Clark is correct, it takes a lot of effort to do that. A lot of time and knowledge, and we have done it. We haven't done it completely for all the collections we have, by a long shot. We have over there 100,000 boxes of active state records and about 12 million archival items, going back 300 years.

We have never had a law on the books like this. About, probably, I didn't count, but probably 25 states do have some kind of requirement for governors and others to maintain their papers. The Council of State Archivists nationally, along with the National Association of Governors, National Governors Association, put out a booklet several years ago on a study they did together, of how governors have treated their papers, how states have treated governors' papers, is how I should put it. There have been some, there's been bad blood in some states because of the requirement.

We don't see this, I don't see this as a requirement. I do see it as a requirement for the governors to keep in touch with the Archives and to have intent to get their collections saved for the State. That would be a real step in the right direction. There are some recent governors who have put their records in the Archives. Meldrim Thomson's papers came from Mount Cube. Lane Dwinell, who was Governor in the '50s, his papers came along with the scrapbooks and all sorts of things. In the Congressional realm, we have papers of Gordon Humphrey, Jim Cleveland from New London.

With some of the earlier collections are magnificent. We have collections of Ichabod Goodwin and Nathaniel Barry, who were the two governors during the Civil War, and we are just now, in 2010, inventorying those in a proper archival manner and finding out what gems of information we have in those collections. We even have telegrams still from the Secretary of War during the war. We have letters from the White House. We have letters from the agents for New Hampshire who went down to see the troops and to help the troops out in the various units, and so forth. And it's just magnificent to find that material and uncover it and find out what they, what information that it contains. And it will prove useful in research being done now and yet to come.

Senator Jacalyn L. Cilley, D. 6: Mr. Mevers, if I could be so rude as to interrupt you for just a moment?

Dr. Mevers: Sure.

Senator Jacalyn L. Cilley, D. 6: On that point. It does beg the question, if your archiving something from the Civil War era now, I think getting back to Senator Fuller Clark's question about the burden on your department for,

you know, in doing this. How much more work are we asking you to do with no resources? Could you speak to that?

Dr. Mevers: Yes, yes. The marvelous thing is that we have been able, and this is not the first time we've touched these Civil War records, because they've been in acid free folders and boxes now for 30 years. And they were in scrap books before that. The scrapbook, unfortunately, the scrapbook paper that was used in the late 19th century is a wood pulp paper that gave off acid and was deteriorating the documents. So the first step, years ago, was to take these documents out of the scrapbooks and put them in acid free folders and boxes. That's been done, that was done some years ago, some many years ago. And now we are getting around to finally going through them, piece by piece, reading them, finding out what kind of information is in them, and entering that into an inventory.

But it's a great thing that we've had them and we've been able to preserve them. And I could cite others where the papers are not in a good repository and they are not in good shape. And we know about them, but we can't do an awful lot about them any more.

Senator Jacalyn L. Cilley, D. 6: The question, though, was how much of an additional burden are we placing on you?

Dr. Mevers: Well.

Senator Jacalyn L. Cilley, D. 6: Because I think, of course, I'm speaking only for myself. I think personally this is a great idea and it does begin a process, but there is no fiscal note on this.

Dr. Mevers: No, there is no fiscal note on this. In my view, we do it as we can. We fit it in along with everything else that we have to do. The person who is doing, who is going through the executive papers now, is a person who works part-time, half time, 20 hours a week. And that's all he does is this, which is something we wanted to do. We, all of us, work on different sorts of projects. There's lifetimes worth of work, there's lifetimes worth of work there to do now for a whole staff, if you had it.

Senator Jacalyn L. Cilley, D. 6: So we're adding to it.

Dr. Mevers: You're adding to it, but you're adding, you're adding a value by just preserving the papers and making sure they stay around.

Senator Jacalyn L. Cilley, D. 6: Senator DeVries had a question, then Senator Fuller Clark did.

Senator Betsi DeVries, D. 18: And we thank you. And not meaning to disrupt your testimony, though I have. My concern is probably not as much your ability to handle the extra work load, because having in a prior life spent some time at the Archives, I realize that when projects come up, there sometimes are others who will step up in a volunteer fashion. Whether they're from a university or other, to assist you with these sort of projects if their interests are also piqued.

But there's a physical capacity to your building. And one that, you know, we've given you some room to move there. My concern is, though, because it's not likely that additional storage capacity will be built in the near future, will you quickly outstrip your ability to store in a vaulted environment, these papers?

Dr. Mevers: Would you like to talk to it?

Mr. Nelson-Burford: Well, I'm Brian Nelson-Burford, we went through that a little earlier. But I think you're right from the standpoint that it's not that we start with 1631 and index everything up to the present and we're up to the Civil War at this time. We do put degrees of arrangement and work into arranging the collections. Some are arranged very detailed, post-Civil War time, and some prior to the Civil War are not arranged in detail. But they're there but preserved for people who may have an interest in them.

As far as the space is concerned, this is a relatively small percentage of what we face on a yearly basis or on a biennial basis or not. It does not, it does not put me off. It does not, this does not make me as concerned as many other groups of records would. And this, I think, is a significant set of records.

Senator Betsi DeVries, D. 18: Right. Thank you.

Dr. Mevers: The value of it's, the value, the significance of we get.

Senator Jacalyn L. Cilley, D. 6: Senator Fuller Clark.

Senator Martha Fuller Clark, D. 24: Yes, it's nice to see you, Frank.

Dr. Mevers: It's nice to see you.

Senator Martha Fuller Clark, D. 24: Thank you very much for being here. And I would agree with you, that the intent of this legislation is admirable. I wanted to ask you some additional questions. Do you have a mechanism in

place where you could accept donations and contributions to oversee partially the cost of archiving such donations?

Dr. Mevers: It's been suggested to me many times ..

Mr. Nelson-Burford: Monetary donations or ...?

Dr. Mevers: Monetary donations?

Senator Martha Fuller Clark, D. 24: Yeah.

Mr. Nelson-Burford: Oh, okay.

Senator Martha Fuller Clark, D. 24: Monetary.

Dr. Mevers: It's been suggested to me several times that we set up a Friends of the Archives group or supporters of the Archives group. We would be in competition with the building across the street, the Historical Society, the Shaker Village, the Concord Theater, the Portsmouth entities over there. And my feeling for 30 years has been that these records, everything in that building, is created by and for the people of the state of New Hampshire. And the people of the state of New Hampshire should support it. They have admirably supported it in terms of the building.

I might say, that since the building has been increased in size so much, the staff is the same, it's seven. And we do deliver about 100 files a day to the state agencies and we bring back 100 files a day and refile them from the various state agencies. And that's the bulk of our work. But we run two state boards out of that office, too, the State Municipal Records Board, which deals with the town clerks.

Senator Martha Fuller Clark, D. 24: How is that funded?

Dr. Mevers: There are no funds.

Senator Martha Fuller Clark, D. 24: No funds, okay.

Senator Jacalyn L. Cilley, D. 6: Follow-up.

Senator Martha Fuller Clark, D. 24: Let me just move on, then, because you do herculean work, nobody's challenging that. Could you talk to me about your system of volunteers?

Dr. Mevers: We will entertain anybody that wants to volunteer. We have currently two people that volunteer, I think, on a regular basis.

Senator Martha Fuller Clark, D. 24: And then follow-up to that.

Senator Jacalyn L. Cilley, D. 6: Follow-up.

Senator Martha Fuller Clark, D. 24: So you have a few people that volunteer. Are you are eligible for federal grants to look after some of these materials or might you be?

Dr. Mevers: We have received probably several hundred thousand dollars in federal grants over the years, from the National Archives, the National Historical Publications and Records Commission, which makes grants. And we have received various grants over the years.

Senator Jacalyn L. Cilley, D. 6: Follow-up.

Senator Martha Fuller Clark, D. 24: And do you have, sorry, thank you, Jackie, I'm sorry. Do you already have the legal authority to accept those grants or how are they accepted? Through just the State Library generally? Or through the Department of Archives?

Dr. Mevers: No, they're accepted by the Governor and Council on behalf of the Secretary of State. We are not connected with the State Library, you realize that.

Senator Martha Fuller Clark, D. 24: Okay. You're not connected with the State Library.

Senator Jacalyn L. Cilley, D. 6: No, they're under the state, the Secretary of State.

Senator Martha Fuller Clark, D. 24: Secretary of State.

Dr. Mevers: Secretary of State.

Senator Martha Fuller Clark, D. 24: Okay.

Dr. Mevers: Yes, they have to be approved by the Governor and Council.

Senator Jacalyn L. Cilley, D. 6: Okay.

Senator Martha Fuller Clark, D. 24: Those grants have to be approved. Okay, thank you very much.

Senator Jacalyn L. Cilley, D. 6: Okay. Senator Carson.

Senator Sharon M. Carson, D. 14: Thank you, Madam Chair. And it's good to see you all again. As someone who probably spent two years digging through your Archives, I'm well familiar with how things work.

My question to you is, there's a provision here of one year after leaving office. Do you believe one year is an appropriate amount of time for a governor to sift through the papers and make decisions? Or do you think he or she should have maybe two years?

Mr. Nelson-Burford: I would say that if it's extended out more than a year, other things come into their radar screen that crowd it out. I think that it's important to establish a contact, even if the process isn't completed within one year. And I agree that it probably is often not going to be completed in a meaningful manner in one year, but I do think that it's important to establish a connection and a dialog with the State Archives about the types of things that we think would be valuable to the citizens of the state in the future.

So in that sense, I think one year is probably a good provision. It's maybe the expectation that it would be completed within 12 months that may be unrealistic.

Senator Jacalyn L. Cilley, D. 6: Follow-up, Senator Carson.

Dr. Mevers: May I add to that, just a moment?

Senator Jacalyn L. Cilley, D. 6: Absolutely.

Dr. Mevers: Sitting here and listening to this makes me understand an important asset of this bill, if passed. This bill gives the Archives a handle on connecting with these former office holders. And we're not going to press them or anything like that, but we can contact them and we can say, according to the law, we want you to remember that you have. So I don't know that you want to put any time period on it, particularly. And a year is just as good as two years or six months, or whatever. But it gives us a way to approach them more, with a little more authority.

Senator Jacalyn L. Cilley, D. 6: Okay. Follow-up, Senator Carson.

Senator Sharon M. Carson, D. 14: Thank you, Madam Chair. I just want to make sure that I heard what you said. And I agree with you totally that you would also be advising this person about what would be appropriate.

Mr. Nelson-Burford: We're available to do so, yes.

Senator Sharon M. Carson, D. 14: For them to donate. And you would be doing that.

Mr. Nelson-Burford: That's what we would hope would be the relationship.

Senator Sharon M. Carson, D. 14: Alright, that sounds good. Thank you.

Senator Jacalyn L. Cilley, D. 6: Senator Fuller Clark.

Senator Martha Fuller Clark, D. 24: To follow-up on that, would you have any objections if we were to add the language that says within one year of leaving office, the Governor shall donate a selection of official papers and records to the State, in consultation with the Director of State Archives? So that it's clear that there's a discussion in terms of what might be appropriate, what you might be looking for. I mean, there's nothing here that the Governor and staff could just arrive on your doorstep one day with hundreds of boxes and you would be required to take them. So it seems to me that it might be worthwhile to try to close that loop.

Dr. Mevers: It's a difficult question to answer. We have had hundreds of boxes arrive unexpectedly, from a United States Senator's office. Well, not totally unexpectedly, but at times we didn't know exactly when they were coming. And we didn't know exactly what they were sending. And actually, ...

Senator Martha Fuller Clark, D. 24: Right.

Dr. Mevers: ...they sent everything. And when we went through it, that's when we did a little weeding of our own. And then corresponded with the person about what we thought. And we came to a sort of a marvelous agreement about what should be kept and what shouldn't be kept. But a lot of times, they leave office and don't know what to keep. So it would be a good thing, but I'm not sure if you put it in a bill, they would necessarily follow through with that.

Senator Martha Fuller Clark, D. 24: We'll think about that. Thank you.

Senator Jacalyn L. Cilley, D. 6: Senator DeVries.

Senator Betsi DeVries, D. 18: Well, I'll save it for executive session. Because the language just suggested, I think, concerns me.

Senator Jacalyn L. Cilley, D. 6: Okay.

Senator Betsi DeVries, D. 18: I'll put forward the question and make it easier for you. The concern I would have if we, who has the authority to actually review each and every document within an official's domain? With the insertion of the language to add you into the selection process, that means that you as an office would be, have the ability to, or the Secretary of State would have the ability to look at each and every document and decide whether or not it was appropriate or not. And I'd be interested to know if that's how other states or, you know, presidential libraries handle it. Because some of that can be considered very confidential in nature.

Dr. Mevers: Oh, sure.

Senator Betsi DeVries, D. 18: It might not be something that a blanket authorization should be given to on who has the ability. Because there can be corporate impacts, I can just think of all sorts of ...

Senator Jacalyn L. Cilley, D. 6: Question, Senator DeVries?

Senator Betsi DeVries, D. 18: Would you believe, that it could be very sensitive material.

Dr. Mevers: It could be, and that's why it's important who your Archivists are or who your Archivist is.

Senator Betsi DeVries, D. 18: Let me follow it up with one other.

Senator Jacalyn L. Cilley, D. 6: Okay, we've got folks that have been waiting really patiently, so let's ...

Senator Betsi DeVries, D. 18: Is there any sort of disclosure protection that goes with your position, though? A responsibility to never, I mean, you have a duty to the public, would you agree? To disclose?

Dr. Mevers: Oh, we take an oath, yes.

Senator Betsi DeVries, D. 18: And if something was sensitive or proprietary in nature, and would damage somebody if it was released, would

you have that ability to not disclose it? Do you see where I'm headed with the question?

Senator Jacalyn L. Cilley, D. 6: Let me just add on to that. It's my understanding that anything that's part of Vital Records is a matter of public, you know, the public owns it. Not vital records, but records. Vital records aren't.

Mr. Nelson-Burford: We have a Right to Know statute, RSA 91-A, that talks about what citizens are allowed to look at and what they're not allowed to look at. Additionally, Archivists have been willing in the past to enter into agreements that say, look, this will be closed for a certain period of time. And that's not unacceptable, knowing that someday it is going to be opened and see the light of day. I think that that's the intent of a lot of this, is that our citizens should be able to see what the governor was doing on our behalf. That eventually, they will have the opportunity to see the vast majority of the things. But they can be closed for periods of time by agreement.

Senator Jacalyn L. Cilley, D. 6: Oh, that's interesting, I didn't realize that.
Follow-up.

Senator Betsi DeVries, D. 18: I'm all set. He actually, I do believe that you just gave me the language I was hunting for, would you believe, in the Right to Know statutory reference. Thank you.

Senator Jacalyn L. Cilley, D. 6: Okay. Any final questions? Senator Fuller Clark.

Senator Martha Fuller Clark, D. 24: Just a note, it does say here, shall be preserved and disclosed under such terms and conditions as the governor and Director deem appropriate. I think that's moving in the right direction, but it may not be complete enough to accomplish some of the, address some of the concerns. Thank you.

Senator Jacalyn L. Cilley, D. 6: Okay, any final questions? Thank you very, very much for your testimony.

Mr. Nelson-Burford: Thank you.

Senator Jacalyn L. Cilley, D. 6: Attorney Twomey, nice to see you. I think this is a first for ED&A. Usually in front of Election Law.

Attorney Twomey: That's right. Usually over in Elections. My name's Paul Twomey.

Senator Jacalyn L. Cilley, D. 6: Welcome.

Attorney Twomey: From Chichester. I'm speaking in support of this bill. If I could sort of go out of sequence a little bit, and address the last question, because I am a lawyer. I think the last sentence of 535-B that was just brought up by Senator Martha Fuller Clark, in fact does give the governor or the donator and the Director of Archives the ability to create limitations on access.

That's what's done in other states. There's two ways they do it in other states. One is something like this with an agreement with the person who gives it, sets up, you know, limitations on what can be given out. Another way, though, is to actually have limitations. Some states have, you know, nothing will go out for 20 years or some types of information will go out sooner. Personnel matters will stay for 50 years or something like that. That's another model that you could move to sometime. It seems to me that this bill is a simple way to do it, that does have those kinds of protections in it.

Senator Jacalyn L. Cilley, D. 6: And Senator DeVries has a question on that.

Senator Betsi DeVries, D. 18: While we're on point, it's just so much easier. Because I was not at all concerned with the bill as it was introduced to us. My concern came out of the suggested amended language that would add the *in consultation with the Director of Archives* right into the initial approval process. And that's when I started to wonder what kind of exposure to something that could be sensitive would occur?

Attorney Twomey: Well, I think there, it's, you've got a couple of filters here. First of all, the governor's selecting what they bring over and presumably they're going to be very conservative in what they give in terms of sensitive materials. I would actually, quite frankly, prefer that all of the official correspondence of the governor be given to the Archives because I believe it's the peoples' materials. But I think Representative Splaine said that this was part of the process. And I think we can see how this works and, you know, tweak it down the road.

I would like to pass out, if I could, copies of the Vermont statute, because people have asked about how other states do it. And basically, Vermont says it's, everything belongs to the people and you turn it over. They also have other statutes that I wish I had brought, that say that it's not released for a certain period of time for different classes of information. **See Vermont**

statute submitted by Attorney Twomey attached hereto and hereafter referred to as Attachment 1.

In terms of the one year that Senator Carson asked about, I'd urge you to keep the year for a reason. It's sort of human nature, that if you do two years, they're going to do it in the second year. And it really is the kind of task that you, it's like cleaning out your sock drawer. It's the last thing you go to. And I know that one of the governors that I know has a garage full of stuff that, you know, there's always been something else that she, and when I say the word she, I'd say who it was.

Senator Betsi DeVries, D. 18: Whoops!

Attorney Twomey: Has to do this, that's more pressing.

Senator Jacalyn L. Cilley, D. 6: Wonder who that is?

Attorney Twomey: But I think if we pass this bill, it will enable the Archivist to contact her and I think that'll be the trigger that that will happen. But if you don't create that incentive to do it, it's just, you know, whatever time frame you do it in it's going to expand.

Senator Jacalyn L. Cilley, D. 6: Senator Carson.

Senator Sharon M. Carson, D. 14: Thank you. So this is retroactive?

Attorney Twomey: It's not retroactive, but I think the, at least my understanding from talking to Representative Splaine, is that the Archivist, when this is in place, will reach out to former office holders and say we've got this law now, could you do this. So it doesn't make them do anything. There's nothing in the terms of this legislation that requires anybody to do that. I wouldn't be surprised if it happened though.

Senator Jacalyn L. Cilley, D. 6: Senator Fuller Clark.

Senator Martha Fuller Clark, D. 24: Yes, thank you, Paul, for being here.

Attorney Twomey: You're welcome.

Senator Martha Fuller Clark, D. 24: I would agree that rather than a selection, and I have written this down, that it should be all official papers, because otherwise if you're looking to reconstruct history 50 years later, if the person who's been serving in office is able to sort of, you know, prune shall we say, what goes in and what doesn't go in and we don't really have a full

picture potentially of what was going on at that particular time. So I guess it's a question of what is the long term purpose of having these papers. And I find that the words *a selection* is very broad and may not accomplish what is the real intent of this legislation. So I wonder if you could speak to that a little bit more?

Attorney Twomey: I think you're entirely correct. I don't want to speak against the bill, because I'm thrilled that we're at least going to start down this road. I do think that if you're talking about history, I guess I have two thoughts. I've never had a job where I worked for somebody where I got to take all the correspondence with me and I don't really understand why governors think they can take anything, quite frankly, official papers. But apparently it's been what's happened, and I think this is a good way to stop it.

Eventually, we have to move or we should move if we're going to make this available to our citizens and scholars down the road. We do have to have all the papers, Senator. Whether you want to take that step now is, I'll wait for you. I think eventually that's what you want to do if you want to meet the need here.

Senator Martha Fuller Clark, D. 24: Thank you. And then ...

Senator Jacalyn L. Cilley, D. 6: Follow-up.

Senator Martha Fuller Clark, D. 24: ...to follow up. I'm concerned that this is putting a financial burden on the Department of Archives. And would you have any objections at least if we were to incorporate into this bill language that would say that, you know, the governor or the governor's family or anyone or whatever, could contribute to a fund to help insure the proper maintenance and conservation of these papers? Because, the other thing, you know, you have to buy these conservation boxes, you have to put them in folders with acid free papers when you can get around to it. It's not without expense.

Attorney Twomey: Yeah, I mean I don't have any objection. I think that's sort of in some ways what happens with presidential papers, is that they raise all kinds of money from private sources. And I think the New Hampshire way is to do everything with private sources if we could. But I think that's a question for the Archivist more than me, whether that causes them a problem. I'm not sure if they're still around.

Senator Martha Fuller Clark, D. 24: Sure. I heard that

Senator Jacalyn L. Cilley, D. 6: Follow-up.

Senator Martha Fuller Clark, D. 24: ... they were concerned that this was the responsibility of the State to be able to provide the resources to do this. But in actuality, I certainly know from sitting on our various collection committees, that we've received really priceless donations from individuals over the last 200 years that are not being adequately taken care, are not being looked after, through no fault of anyone, except that we simply haven't created the resources to make it possible. So that's my concern going forward with this bill, without at least looking for an opportunity to be able, you know, to receive those donations to insure that these papers and documents, you know ...

Attorney Twomey: I think that makes sense. Again, in the current situation we're in here, there is no money available to do anything else. I think in the future, it seems to me that these gentlemen work, their work expands to whatever time they have and they don't seem to come here and ask for very much. But it might be something that at some point in the future, you would want to look at and see whether the Archives are adequately funded.

Senator Jacalyn L. Cilley, D. 6: Thank you.

Senator Martha Fuller Clark, D. 24: Thank you very much.

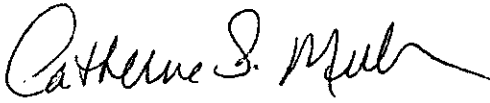
Senator Jacalyn L. Cilley, D. 6: Are there further questions for Attorney Twomey? Any further points you wanted to make?

Attorney Twomey: Just that when I read in the paper that the governors' papers weren't being kept, I was absolutely shocked. I mean, the thought that we have no records of Governor Winant during the Depression. I mean, it's a tragedy, it's a total loss. So I would just urge you to do this.

Senator Jacalyn L. Cilley, D. 6: Thank you. Was there anybody else here to speak on the bill? Seeing none, close the hearing on House Bill 1415.

Hearing concluded at 3:52 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Catherine S. Mullen". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long, sweeping tail that extends to the right.

Catherine S. Mullen

Senate Secretary

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1 Attachment

§ 4. Correspondence.

Vermont Statutes

Title 3. Executive

Part 1. Generally

Chapter 1. GOVERNOR

Current through 2009 Legislative Session

§ 4. Correspondence

(a) The official correspondence of the governor is the property of the state. Upon retiring from office he or she shall cause such correspondence and an itemized list thereof to be deposited with the secretary of state. The secretary of state shall preserve these records in accordance with professional archival practices recommended by the state archivist.

(b) In the discretion of the secretary of state, such correspondence and list, in whole or in part, may be microfilmed or otherwise reformatted in accordance with archival principles. In the discretion of the secretary of state the originals of those papers that are actually reformatted may be disposed of.

History. Amended 1995, No. 148 (Adj. Sess.), § 4(c)(2), eff. May 6, 1996; 1997, No. 75 (Adj. Sess.), § 1.

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RE-REFERRAL

1. THIS INVENTORY IS TO BE SIGNED AND DATED BY THE COMMITTEE SECRETARY AND PLACED INSIDE THE FOLDER AS THE FIRST ITEM IN THE COMMITTEE FILE.
2. PLACE ALL DOCUMENTS IN THE FOLDER FOLLOWING THE INVENTORY IN THE ORDER LISTED.
3. THE DOCUMENTS WHICH HAVE AN "X" BESIDE THEM ARE CONFIRMED AS BEING IN THE FOLDER.
4. THE COMPLETED FILE IS THEN DELIVERED TO THE CALENDAR CLERK.

DOCKET (Submit only the latest docket found in Bill Status)

COMMITTEE REPORT

CALENDAR NOTICE on which you have taken attendance

HEARING REPORT (written summary of hearing testimony)

HEARING TRANSCRIPT (verbatim transcript of hearing)

List attachments (testimony and submissions which are part of the transcript) by number [1 thru 4 or 1, 2, 3, 4] here: 2

SIGN-UP SHEET (2)

ALL AMENDMENTS (passed or not) CONSIDERED BY COMMITTEE:

- AMENDMENT # 16995 _____ - AMENDMENT # _____
_____ - AMENDMENT # _____ _____ - AMENDMENT # _____

ALL AVAILABLE VERSIONS OF THE BILL:

AS INTRODUCED _____ AS AMENDED BY THE HOUSE
 FINAL VERSION _____ AS AMENDED BY THE SENATE

_____ PREPARED TESTIMONY AND OTHER SUBMISSIONS (Which are not part of the transcript)

List by letter [a thru g or a, b, c, d] here: _____

EXECUTIVE SESSION REPORT

_____ OTHER (Anything else deemed important but not listed above, such as amended fiscal notes):

IF YOU HAVE A RE-REFERRED BILL, YOU ARE GOING TO MAKE UP A DUPLICATE FILE FOLDER

DATE DELIVERED TO SENATE CLERK

9-14-10

Catherine S. Muller

COMMITTEE SECRETARY