

# Bill as Introduced

HB 318 - AS INTRODUCED

2021 SESSION

21-0375  
08/05

HOUSE BILL

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AN ACT

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COMMITTEE:

Environment and Agriculture

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Approved: June 11, 2021

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# Committee Minutes

# SENATE CALENDAR NOTICE

## Executive Departments and Administration

Sen Sharon Carson, Chair  
Sen John Reagan, Vice Chair  
Sen Denise Ricciardi, Member  
Sen Kevin Cavanaugh, Member  
Sen Suzanne Prentiss, Member

Date: March 17, 2021

### HEARINGS

Wednesday	03/24/2021	
(Day)	(Date)	
Executive Departments and Administration	REMOTE 000	9:00 a.m.
(Name of Committee)	(Place)	(Time)
9:00 a.m.	<b>HB 117</b>	relative to the use of force at New Hampshire national guard facilities.
9:15 a.m.	<b>HB 377</b>	relative to the authority of the state fire marshal to grant an exemption from fire code requirements to recovery houses.
9:30 a.m.	<b>HB 356</b>	relative to the city of Manchester employees' contributory retirement system.
9:45 a.m.	<b>HB 318</b>	proclaiming the daring jumping spider to be the state spider of New Hampshire.

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**EXECUTIVE SESSION MAY FOLLOW**

**Sponsors:**

**HB 117**

Rep. Graham

Sen. Giuda

**HB 377**

Rep. Connors

Rep. Cornell

Rep. Goley

Rep. Snow

Sen. D'Allesandro

**HB 356**

Rep. Long

**HB 318**

Rep. McGhee

Cameron Lapine 271-2104

Sharon M Carson  
Chairman



# Senate Executive Departments and Administration Committee

*Cameron Lapine 271-2104*

**HB 318**, proclaiming the daring jumping spider to be the state spider of New Hampshire.

**Hearing Date:** March 24, 2021

**Time Opened:** 10:02 a.m.

**Time Closed:** 10:22 a.m.

**Members of the Committee Present:** Senators Carson, Reagan, Cavanaugh and Prentiss

**Members of the Committee Absent:** Senator Ricciardi

**Bill Analysis:** This bill proclaims the daring jumping spider to be the state spider of New Hampshire.

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**Sponsors:**

Rep. McGhee

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**Who supports the bill:** Geoffrey Seiden, Nora Laine, Eva Constantian, Chloe Constantian, Representative Kat McGhee (Hillsborough – District 27), Representative Howard Pearl (Merrimack – District 26), Tara Happy, Lucinda Hope, Ruth Larson, Richard DeMark, Kori Constantian, Shannon Laine, and Nikki Fordey.

**Who opposes the bill:** None.

**Who is neutral on the bill:** None.

**Summary of testimony presented in support:**

**Representative Kat McGhee**

**Hillsborough – District 27**

- Representative McGhee said that she worked with Mrs. Tara Happy from the Hollis Primary School environmental science class to develop HB 318. She said that the students have embarked on a fascinating journey of ecology and elections.
- Rep. McGhee said that HB 318 was unanimously recommended out of House Environment and Agriculture on an 18-0 vote.
- Rep. McGhee said that the daring jumping spider is a common spider but has unique qualities. She said that the students researched several spiders, argued their case, and

voted, saving the General Court from forming a study committee.

- Rep. McGhee said that there are several other state emblems, including the lady bug (State Insect) and the spotted newt (State Amphibian), that are recognized because some cared enough to advocate for them to become a state symbol.

### **Representative Howard Pearl**

#### **Merrimack – District 26**

- Representative Pearl said that Mrs. Happy and her students did a great job. He said that he was skeptical of HB 318 going into the House hearing but that the students' presentation is a real treat.

### **Tara Happy**

#### **Environmental Science Teacher, Hollis Primary School**

- Mrs. Happy said that students at Hollis Primary School had been learning in-person all year.
- Mrs. Happy said that she worked with the New Hampshire Fish and Game Department on a spider unit and helped students overcome their fears of spiders.
- Mrs. Happy said that there was a school-wide movement to elect a State Spider. She said that she worked with Fish and Game as well as a local nature center and the school held speeches, debates, and an election.
- Senator Carson commended Mrs. Happy for her work and said she thought it was interesting to get children interested in spiders. She said she was ready to learn about the daring jumping spider.
- Speaking for a second time, Mrs. Happy said that "Team Spider" were an amazing group of children, speaking on behalf of the entire school. She said that the last year has been difficult for students as many things have been cancelled. She said that each student has been brave, determined, and hasn't given up.
- Senator Carson said that she did some reading on the daring jumping spider. She asked if it was more common for the daring jumping spider to have fluorescent green or fluorescent blue mouth pieces.
  - Mrs. Happy said that the colorful nature of the daring jumping spider is normally the males of the species looking for mates. She said that there is a variety, but the bolder mouths win out.
- Senator Carson said that she gardens and will now know what to look for.
  - Mrs. Happy said that the fluorescent coloring is very real.
- Senator Carson said that she could tell the students put a lot of hard work into their project and she was very pleased to see children learning how government works.

### **Chloe Constantian**

#### **Hollis Primary School**

- Ms. Constantian read from her written testimony, highlighting that her class hunted for spiders in the wood and held them on sticks and that children are small, like spiders, but can do big things, like spiders.

**Eva Constantian**

**Hollis Primary School**

- Ms. Constantian read from her written testimony, highlighting that the daring jumping spider was chosen by a vote of the entire Hollis Primary School and the spider protects gardens and farms from bugs and pests.

**Nora Laine**

**Hollis Primary School**

- Ms. Laine read from her written testimony, highlighting that only South Carolina has a state spider, and that that effort was led by a 3<sup>rd</sup> grade student, as well as that the daring jumping spider is brave but makes safe choices, like New Hampshire residents.
- Senator Carson asked if Ms. Laine had found a spider with her class.
  - Ms. Laine said that she had and her friends had held them.

**Geoffrey Seiden**

**Hollis Primary School**

- Mr. Seiden read from his written testimony, highlighting that the daring jumping spider is cute and colorful, like autumnal foliage, and is tough and resilient, like New Hampshire residents.

**Summary of testimony presented in opposition: None.**

**Neutral Information Presented: None.**

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Date Hearing Report completed: March 25, 2021

# Speakers

## Senate Remote Testify

Executive Departments and Administration Committee Testify List for Bill HB318 of  
 Support: 13 Oppose: 0 Neutral: 0 Total to Testify: 7

<u>Name</u>	<u>Email Address</u>	<u>Phone</u>	<u>Title</u>	<u>Representing</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Testify</u>
Seiden, Geoffrey	kenseiden@yahoo.com	603.264.0499	A Member of the Public	Myself	Support	Yes
Laine, Nora	shannonlaine.mtbc@gmail.com	603.689.6250	A Member of the Public	Myself	Support	Yes
Constantian, Eva	Not Given	Not Given	A Member of the Public	Myself	Support	Yes
Constantian, Chloe	Not Given	Not Given	A Member of the Public	Myself	Support	Yes
McGhee, Kat	Kat.mcgee@leg.state.nh.us	617.791.3166	An Elected Official	Hillsborough 27, Hollis	Support	Yes
Pearl, Howard	howard.pearl@leg.state.nh.us	603.231.1482	An Elected Official	House E&A Chair	Support	Yes
Happy, Tara	tara.happy@sau41.org	603-204-4102	A Member of the Public	Myself	Support	Yes
Hope, Lucinda	lmhope46@gmail.com	Not Given	A Member of the Public	Myself	Support	No
Larson, Ruth	ruthlarson@msn.com	Not Given	A Member of the Public	Myself	Support	No
DeMark, Richard	demarknh114@gmail.com	603.520.5582	A Member of the Public	Myself	Support	No
Constantian, Kori	Not Given	Not Given	A Member of the Public	Myself	Support	No
Laine, Shannon	shannonlaine.mtbc@gmail.com	603.689.6250	A Member of the Public	Myself	Support	No
Fordey, Nikki	nikkif610@gmail.com	Not Given	A Member of the Public	Myself	Support	No

# Testimony

## Cameron Lapine

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**From:** Kori Constantian <selvagg@hotmail.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, March 23, 2021 4:12 PM  
**To:** Cameron Lapine  
**Subject:** In support of HB318

Dear Mr. Lapine,

Here is my testimony in support of HB318.

Hi, my name is Chloe. I am from Hollis Primary School and I think that the Daring Jumping Spider should be New Hampshire's state spider.

Our environmental science teacher, Mrs. Happy, discovered that New Hampshire does not have a state spider yet and we all think that is should. Mrs. Happy talked to some state representatives and they thought it would be a good idea too! We spent a lot of time learning about spiders. We even went outside into the woods and gardens to look for spiders! We hunted for spiders, spider webs and any traces of spiders that we could find. We found 3 in my class and I held one on a stick.

The Daring Jumping spider is a hunting spider that goes out to find food, just like the people of New Hampshire have to go out and work to survive, we don't just sit down and wait for food. We work hard.

The Daring Jumping spider is really small, but can still capture prey larger than itself. Kids in New Hampshire are small, but we can do big things, like stand up for a State Spider and change history.

Thank you,

Chloe Constantian  
3rd grade  
Hollis Primary School

Sent from my iPhone

## **Cameron Lapine**

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**From:** Kori Constantian <selvagg@hotmail.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, March 23, 2021 4:16 PM  
**To:** Cameron Lapine  
**Subject:** In support of HB318

Dear Mr. Lapine,

Here is my testimony in support of HB318.

My name is Eva and I think that the Daring Jumping Spider should be New Hampshire's state spider. In my class, we went outside to a garden and looked for spiders too. Mrs. Happy, our teacher, went to every class and had them vote on which spider they wanted. Every student had the choice between 4 spiders. We got to see a slide show of the four choices. Every class in the whole school voted and the Daring Jumping Spider had the most votes.

The Daring Jumping spider protects our gardens and farms. It feeds on pests like the Tarnished Plant Bug which is one of the worst insect pests that eats crops grown in New Hampshire. The evil Plant Bug can destroy fruit and vegetable gardens, but the Daring Jumping spider protects the foods we love to eat from our local farms and even from our own gardens.

The Daring Jumping spider is found throughout all of New Hampshire so it can represent the entire state, not just us in Hollis. This makes it fair for all of New Hampshire.

Everyone at HPS is very excited to see if the Daring Jumping Spider will become New Hampshire's state spider! We picked the daring jumping spider and we hope you will too!!

Thank you,

Eva Constantian  
3rd Grade  
Hollis Primary School  
Sent from my iPhone



March 24, 2021

## Testimony of Rep Kat McGhee on HB318 before Executive Departments & Administration

Good afternoon Chairwoman Carlson and members of Senate Executive Departments and Administration. Thank you for having us here today to introduce the Senate to what is referred to as The State Spider bill, HB318

I'm Representative Kat McGhee from Hillsborough 27, Hollis and I am here today to introduce a bill on behalf of my constituents from the Hollis Primary School. Environmental Science teacher, Mrs. Happy first reached out to me in the fall of last year to ask me what it would take to submit a bill for a candidate for State Spider. I will admit, as the Deputy Ranking member on the House Science, Technology & Energy, this bill took me in a new direction.

As we discussed her bill, I came to learn that Mrs Happy had created nothing short of a movement with her 3<sup>rd</sup> graders at the Hollis Primary School. She will explain further what that process was, but suffice it to say that and her students, also known as 'Team Spider', some of whom you will hear from today, had embarked on a fascinating journey of ecological exploration and elections. That journey resulted in the nomination of the Daring Jumping Spider or Bold Jumping Spider (also known as Phidippus Audax) for NH State Spider and a unanimous 18-0 decision from the House Environment and Agricultural Committee that they had made their case.

Although Team Spider's candidate for the honor of State spider is a common spider. His characteristics and unique qualities make him anything but ordinary. These students were given an assignment to research several spiders and then argue and vote for the one they thought deserved to be NH's state spider. When I heard about the work of Team Spider, I could not help but think that they had saved the General Court a subcommittee. Their study and the election grew to encompass the entire elementary school, it became far more than a simple assignment. They began learning how to work for something larger than their own interests, how to advocate and debate, and even how to interact with their state government, during a pandemic, in pursuit of their goal.



The last thing I will say on behalf of the Daring Jumping Spider is that when I researched Title I The State and Its Government, Chapter 3 State Emblems, I learned a few things myself. First, we have a state insect, the ladybug, and 2 state fish, one saltwater, the Striped Bass and one Freshwater, the Brook trout. We even have a state amphibian – the spotted newt. Each of these nominees was a species among many, that someone cared enough about to advocate for its consideration for a state symbol. The Daring Jumping Spider is not less deserving of this distinction.

I will leave it to my constituents Mrs. Happy, Chloe, Nora, Eva and Geoffrey to make their case before you today to see if you agree that the Daring Jumping Spider deserves to be the State Spider of New Hampshire .

I thank you for your time and I am happy to take questions, but I believe you will learn far more if I turn you over to the expert witnesses who are signed up to speak with you today.



# Spiders in New Hampshire

**Highly Venomous**





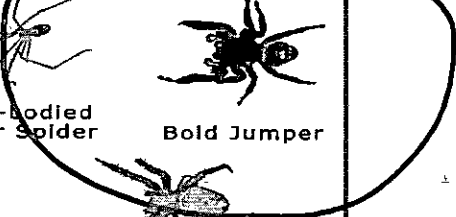


Brown Recluse      Black Widow




**Less Venomous**





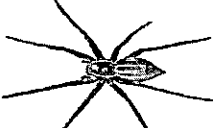

Banded Garden Spider      Furrow Orb-weaver



Orchard Orb-weaver      Cross Orb-weaver      Long-bodied Cellar Spider      Bold Jumper



Hump-backed Orb-weaver      Bridge Orb-weaver      Hentz Orb-weaver



Garden Ghost Spider      Six-spotted Fishing      Striped Fishing Spider      Dark Fishing Spider

SpiderIdentification.com

## Cameron Lapine

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**From:** Shannon Laine <violinistmutx@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, March 23, 2021 8:26 PM  
**To:** Cameron Lapine  
**Subject:** In Support of HB 318-State Spider

### Testimony in Support of HB 318- State Spider

My name is Nora Laine. I am 8 years old and in third grade at Hollis Primary School. One of my favorite classes is Environmental Science with Mrs. Happy. We've spent a lot of time this school year learning about spiders, even finding some in our school gardens! My friends got to hold them. Mrs. Happy taught us about how spiders are such an important part of the wildlife in New Hampshire.

New Hampshire, like most other states, lists many insects among their state symbols. These include honeybees, butterflies, dragonflies, and ladybugs. However - South Carolina is the only state to recognize a spider as a state symbol (it's the Carolina wolf spider), in addition to a state insect. Interestingly, this was the result of the efforts of a THIRD GRADER! Now, New Hampshire 3rd graders like me want to continue to build awareness of how valuable spiders are and select one type that is a good fit for our state.

A lot of people I know don't like spiders. Some people think they're scary, ugly, and annoying! This year I learned that spiders are really helpful to our environment. This is because they eat mosquitoes, flies, stink bugs, and other insects we might encounter when we spend time outside. They help keep those populations balanced, which is good for our gardens and the inside of our homes. If we didn't have spiders, it would disrupt the food chain, and the number of household pests could sky-rocket! We wouldn't want that, would we?

If New Hampshire has nine state species, an official beverage (apple cider), a state dog (the chinook), a state insect (the ladybug), and nine state songs, then spiders should not be left out. Even though spiders might be small and look different from other creatures, they are really mighty, and each one has its own special talents and characteristics.

For New Hampshire, a great choice is the Jumping Spider. They are generally friendly, enjoy spending time in the garden, and they have a super power - they can jump 20-50 times their own body size! When they do this, the Daring Jumping Spider always attaches to a web, just in case. The people of New Hampshire are brave, too, but still make safe choices. Of all the spiders in New Hampshire, the jumping spider is leaps and bounds above the rest. Geoffrey can tell you more about the Daring Jumping Spider.

Nora Laine

Shannon Laine

Nora L Shannon Laine Submitted with permission of her mom

64 Broad Street

Hollis, NH 03049

Good morning. Thank you to the Senate Executive Departments and Administration Committee for letting us speak on behalf of our school.

I think we should have the Daring Jumping Spider as our state spider because of the following reasons:

1. It is colorful and cute just like New Hampshire's trees in the autumn. Young Daring Jumping spiders have orange spots on their backs, which look like some of our beautiful New Hampshire fall leaves.
2. Daring jumping spider babies weave parachutes so they can fly away and be free. Otherwise they would die because there would be too many in one spot, and guess what? Our state motto is Live Free or Die.
3. Like the people of New Hampshire, Daring Jumping Spiders are very tough and resilient. They can survive New Hampshire winters. They don't die like some other common garden spiders.
4. It can also help make MONEY for New Hampshire by selling spider T-shirts, refrigerator magnets, key chains and maybe even put it on the LICENSE PLATE.

New Hampshire has a state vegetable and I don't even like vegetables, so we should have a state spider to even it out a bit.

Thank you for taking our Daring Jumping Spider into consideration. Thank you for your time.

Geoffrey Seiden  
3rd Grade, Hollis Primary School  
13 Barton Rd  
Hollis NH

## Cameron Lapine

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**From:** Happy, Tara <tara.happy@sau41.org>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, March 23, 2021 11:45 AM  
**Cc:** Cameron Lapine  
**Subject:** Testimony in support of HB#318

Dear Cameron Lapine and Members of the Executive Department and Administration Committee,

My name is Tara Happy and I am the Environmental Science teacher at Hollis Primary School. I teach year round outdoor education to Kindergarten through third graders in Hollis, NH. This year has been a bit different of course, but the majority of our students have been in person full time nearly all year long! All of the teachers and young students here have been wearing our masks and carrying on with lots of learning! Today I am with a few of our third grade students to speak to you about the Daring Jumping Spider.

This year, as a result of an online NH Fish & Game workshop I attended, I created a week-long spider unit for third graders. I had found that after I began to learn more about spiders and the amazing things they can do, I was sincerely less afraid of them. Knowing that spiders are a common fear of children, I hoped that with some positive education on the topic I could do the same for my students and eliminate a learned fear that so many of us have. This started as an honest effort to just make children more comfortable with spiders.

What I didn't expect to happen was a school wide movement to elect a NH State Spider! After learning how important spiders are to our world, the students were a little shocked to learn that such an important species wasn't recognized with a state symbol. The kids instantly declared that it wasn't fair and that spiders deserved to be loved.

I was told small and scary things are still special to our world and it was like watching a crowd unravel as they began to cheer on the underdog of a losing football game. I had to admire their determination to help out spiders in general so off we went with the idea. This year so many things these kids love have been cancelled: sports, birthdays, vacations ...and now we have this little spider to rally around.

I tossed my other planned lessons out the door and we began to research spiders, checked with Fish and Game and a local nature center to make sure we had the important species represented, and our election began. Web Spinning Spiders vs' Hunting Spiders. There were spider speeches from our four candidates and some very heated spider debates that took place in our formal forest classroom, but in the end a hunting spider, the Daring Jumping spider won. Some were happy and some were sad, but we all agreed to back up our winning spider candidate.

We felt this spider represented the spirit of New Hampshire:

- Be brave and take jumps, but hey, leave a web as you fly through the air just in case.
- Be tough and survive these long hard winters so you can eventually enjoy the warmer weather.
- Be adventurous. Hunt and explore. Don't just sit in one place and wait for food to come to you ...go get it.

All I know is I started with a class yelling "ewwww", and by the end of the week I had them lined up in our garden waiting for a turn to hold a little black spider with their bare hands. It's all about how something is presented, and today our students are going to explain how and why they love this little Daring Jumping Spider.

Thank you very much for your time with this. We all really do appreciate it!

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Tara Happy  
Environmental Science Specialist

Hollis Primary School

Website: <https://environmentalscience2020.edublogs.org/>

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# Voting Sheets



**Senate Executive Departments and  
Administration Committee  
EXECUTIVE SESSION RECORD  
2021 Session**

Bill # HB 318

Hearing date: 3-24-21

Executive Session date: 3-31-21

Motion of: OTP Vote: 5-0

Committee Member	Present	Made by	Second	Yes	No
Sen. Carson, Chair	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Sen. Reagan, Vice Chair	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
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Sen. Prentiss	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Motion of: Consent Vote: 5-0

Committee Member	Present	Made by	Second	Yes	No
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Sen. Prentiss	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Motion of: \_\_\_\_\_ Vote: \_\_\_\_\_

Committee Member	Present	Made by	Second	Yes	No
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Sen. Prentiss	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Reported out by: Sen. Prentiss

Notes: \_\_\_\_\_  
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# Committee Report

STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE  
SENATE  
REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE  
FOR THE CONSENT CALENDAR

Wednesday, March 31, 2021

THE COMMITTEE ON Executive Departments and Administration

to which was referred **HB 318**

AN ACT

proclaiming the daring jumping spider to be the  
state spider of New Hampshire.

Having considered the same, the committee recommends that the Bill

OUGHT TO PASS

BY A VOTE OF: 5-0

Senator Suzanne Prentiss  
For the Committee

This bill proclaims the daring jumping spider (*Phidippus audax*) to be the State Spider of New Hampshire. This effort has been spearheaded by "Team Spider", a group of third grade students from Mrs. Tara Happy's environmental science class at Hollis Primary School. The daring jumping spider was selected through a school-wide democratic process, involving research, debate, lobbying, and voting. The daring jumping spider is a common spider that exhibits many traits enviable for New Hampshire residents, including perseverance, strength, bold action, and cautious risk-management. Only one other state, South Carolina, currently has a State Spider, allowing New Hampshire to jump ahead of the pack and adopt a new, unique State symbol with a distinct appearance.

Cameron Lapine 271-2104

FOR THE CONSENT CALENDAR

**EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENTS AND ADMINISTRATION**

**HB 318**, proclaiming the daring jumping spider to be the state spider of New Hampshire.

Ought to Pass, Vote 5-0.

Senator Suzanne Prentiss for the committee.

This bill proclaims the daring jumping spider (*Phidippus audax*) to be the State Spider of New Hampshire. This effort has been spearheaded by "Team Spider", a group of third grade students from Mrs. Tara Happy's environmental science class at Hollis Primary School. The daring jumping spider was selected through a school-wide democratic process, involving research, debate, lobbying, and voting. The daring jumping spider is a common spider that exhibits many traits enviable for New Hampshire residents, including perseverance, strength, bold action, and cautious risk-management. Only one other state, South Carolina, currently has a State Spider, allowing New Hampshire to jump ahead of the pack and adopt a new, unique State symbol with a distinct appearance.

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Docket Abbreviations

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1/9/2021	H	<b>Introduced</b> (in recess of) 01/06/2021 and referred to Environment and Agriculture <b>HJ 2 P. 43</b>
1/20/2021	H	Public Hearing: 01/27/2021 02:15 pm Members of the public may attend using the following links: To join the webinar: <a href="https://www.zoom.us/j/92887623403">https://www.zoom.us/j/92887623403</a> / Executive session on pending legislation may be held throughout the day (time permitting) from the time the committee is initially convened.
2/10/2021	H	Committee Report: Ought to Pass (Vote 18-0; CC) <b>HC 12 P. 5</b>
2/24/2021	H	<b>Ought to Pass:</b> MA VV 02/24/2021 <b>HJ 3 P. 7</b>
3/4/2021	S	Introduced 03/04/2021 and Referred to Executive Departments and Administration; <b>SJ 7</b>
3/17/2021	S	Remote <b>Hearing:</b> 03/24/2021, 09:45 am; Links to join the hearing can be found in the Senate Calendar; <b>SC 16</b>
4/1/2021	S	Committee Report: Ought to Pass, 04/08/2021; Vote 5-0; CC; <b>SC 18</b>
4/8/2021	S	<b>Ought to Pass:</b> RC 23Y-1N, MA; OT3rdg; 04/08/2021; <b>SJ 11</b>
4/29/2021	S	Enrolled <b>RC 24Y-0N, MA, (In recess of 04/22/2021); SJ 13</b>
4/29/2021	H	Enrolled (in recess of) 04/09/2021 <b>HJ 7 P. 101</b>
6/15/2021	H	Signed by Governor Sununu 06/11/2021; Chapter 75; Eff: 06/11/2021

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