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HB 354 - AS INTRODUCED

2021 SESSION

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HOUSE BILL

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COMMITTEE:

Ways and Means

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Approved: April 23, 2021  
Effective Date: July 01, 2021

# Committee Minutes

# SENATE CALENDAR NOTICE

## Ways and Means

Sen Bob Giuda, Chair  
Sen Lou D'Allesandro, Vice Chair  
Sen Gary Daniels, Member  
Sen Erin Hennessey, Member  
Sen Cindy Rosenwald, Member

Date: March 16, 2021

### HEARINGS

Monday		03/22/2021
(Day)		(Date)
Ways and Means	REMOTE 000	9:00 a.m.
(Name of Committee)	(Place)	(Time)
9:00 a.m.	<b>HB 354</b>	relative to the local option for sports betting.
9:10 a.m.	<b>HB 306</b>	relative to revenue estimates while operating under emergency orders caused by the COVID-19 pandemic.
9:25 a.m.	<b>HB 281-FN</b>	relative to the tax expenditure report and relative to delaying the enactment of the single sales factor under the business profits and business enterprise taxes.
9:45 a.m.	<b>HB 324-FN</b>	relative to the administration of certain state taxes by the department of revenue administration.

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### EXECUTIVE SESSION MAY FOLLOW

**Sponsors:**

**HB 354**

Rep. Lang

Rep. Pearl

Rep. Moffett

Rep. Trottier

**HB 306**

Rep. Major

**HB 281-FN**

Rep. Abrami

Rep. Ames

**HB 324-FN**

Rep. Major

Rep. Almy

Rep. Ames

Sonja Caldwell 271-2117

Bob J. Giuda  
Chairman



**Senate Ways and Means Committee**  
*Sonja Caldwell 271-2117*

HB 354, relative to the local option for sports betting.

**Hearing Date:** March 22, 2021

**Members of the Committee Present:** Senators Giuda, D'Allesandro, Daniels, Hennessey and Rosenwald

**Members of the Committee Absent :** None

**Bill Analysis:** This bill makes the language relative to local adoption of sports betting parallel to the language relative to local adoption of keno.

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Rep. Trottier

Rep. Pearl

Rep. Moffett

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**Who supports the bill:** Ruth Larson, Charles McIntyre, Nicole Fordey, Lucinda Hope, Richard DeMark

**Who opposes the bill:** No one

**Who is neutral on the bill:** No one

**Summary of testimony presented:**

**Rep. Tim Lang**

- This is a housekeeping bill.
- When the previous sports betting bill was passed, the language wasn't vetted well.
- The lottery commission agreed that the language that appears on a ballot when a town seeks to allow sports betting within a community should be cleaned up.
- This bill passed on consent in the House.

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Date Hearing Report completed: March 23, 2021

# Speakers

Name	Representing	Position	Testifying
Larson Ruth	Myself	Support	No
McIntyre Charles	Myself	Support	No
Fordey Nicole	Myself	Support	No
Hope Lucinda	Myself	Support	No
DeMark Richard	Myself	Support	No

# Voting Sheets

**Senate Ways & Means Committee**  
**EXECUTIVE SESSION RECORD**  
*2021-2022 Session*

Bill # HB354

Hearing date: 3-22-21

Executive Session date: 3-22-21

Motion of: OTP Vote: 5-0

Committee Member	Present	Made by	Second	Yes	No
Sen. Giuda, Chair	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Sen. D'Allesandro, VC	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Sen. Daniels	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Sen. Hennessey	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Sen. Rosenwald	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Motion of: consent Vote: 5-0

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Sen. Giuda, Chair	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Sen. D'Allesandro VC	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
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Sen. Hennessey	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Sen. Rosenwald	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

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

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Sen. Rosenwald	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Reported out by: Rosenwald

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

STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

SENATE

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE  
FOR THE CONSENT CALENDAR

Tuesday, March 23, 2021

THE COMMITTEE ON Ways and Means

to which was referred **HB 354**

AN ACT relative to the local option for sports betting.

Having considered the same, the committee recommends that the Bill

OUGHT TO PASS

BY A VOTE OF: 5-0

Senator Cindy Rosenwald  
For the Committee

This bill simply clarifies the language that would appear on a ballot when a municipality seeks to adopt sports betting. It will now mirror the language that would appear on a ballot relative to the adoption of keno. It does not change any provisions or limitations contained in existing law relative to sports betting.

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FOR THE CONSENT CALENDAR

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Ought to Pass, Vote 5-0.

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## General Court of New Hampshire - Bill Status System

**Docket of HB354**

Docket Abbreviations

**Bill Title:** relative to the local option for sports betting.*Official Docket of HB354.:*

<b>Date</b>	<b>Body</b>	<b>Description</b>
1/9/2021	H	<b>Introduced</b> (in recess of) 01/06/2021 and referred to Ways and Means <b>HJ 2 P. 44</b>
1/27/2021	H	Public Hearing: 02/04/2021 02:00 pm Members of the public may attend using the following link: To join the webinar: <a href="https://www.zoom.us/j/95843569442">https://www.zoom.us/j/95843569442</a> / Executive session on pending legislation may be held throughout the day (time permitting) from the time the committee is initially convened.
2/4/2021	H	Full Committee Work Session: 02/10/2021 09:00 am Members of the public may attend using the following link: To join the webinar: <a href="https://www.zoom.us/j/99928276230">https://www.zoom.us/j/99928276230</a> / Executive session on pending legislation may be held throughout the day (time permitting) from the time the committee is initially convened.
2/16/2021	H	Committee Report: Ought to Pass (Vote 23-0; CC) <b>HC 12 P. 14</b>
2/24/2021	H	<b>Ought to Pass:</b> MA VV 02/24/2021 <b>HJ 3 P. 21</b>
3/4/2021	S	Introduced 03/04/2021 and Referred to Ways and Means; <b>SJ 7</b>
3/16/2021	S	Remote <b>Hearing:</b> 03/22/2021, 09:00 am; Links to join the hearing can be found in the Senate Calendar; <b>SC 16</b>
3/23/2021	S	Committee Report: Ought to Pass, 04/01/2021; Vote 5-0; CC; <b>SC 17</b>
4/1/2021	S	<b>Ought to Pass:</b> RC 23Y-1N, MA; OT3rdg; 04/01/2021; <b>SJ 10</b>
4/12/2021	S	Enrolled <b>RC 24Y-0N, MA, (In recess of 04/08/2021); SJ 12</b>
4/12/2021	H	Enrolled (in recess of) 04/09/2021 <b>HJ 7 P. 99</b>
4/26/2021	H	Signed by Governor Sununu 04/23/2021; Chapter 13; Eff: 07/01/2021

NH House

NH Senate

# Other Referrals

# Senate Inventory Checklist for Archives

Bill Number: HB354

Senate Committee: Ways & Means

Please include all documents in the order listed below and indicate the documents which have been included with an "X" beside

Final docket found on Bill Status

### Bill Hearing Documents: (Legislative Aides)

- Bill version as it came to the committee
- All Calendar Notices
- Hearing Sign-up sheet(s)
- Prepared testimony, presentations, & other submissions handed in at the public hearing
- Hearing Report
- Revised/Amended Fiscal Notes provided by the Senate Clerk's Office

### Committee Action Documents: (Legislative Aides)

All amendments considered in committee (including those not adopted):

\_\_\_ - amendment # \_\_\_\_\_      \_\_\_ - amendment # \_\_\_\_\_

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- Executive Session Sheet
- Committee Report

### Floor Action Documents: (Clerk's Office)

All floor amendments considered by the body during session (only if they are offered to the senate):

\_\_\_ - amendment # \_\_\_\_\_      \_\_\_ - amendment # \_\_\_\_\_

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### Post Floor Action: (if applicable) (Clerk's Office)

- Committee of Conference Report (if signed off by all members. Include any new language proposed by the committee of conference):
- Enrolled Bill Amendment(s)
- Governor's Veto Message

### All available versions of the bill: (Clerk's Office)

- as amended by the senate
- as amended by the house
- final version

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