## REGULAR CALENDAR

February 16, 2022

## HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

## REPORT OF COMMITTEE

The Majority of the Committee on Labor, Industrial and Rehabilitative Services to which was referred CACR 14,

AN ACT relating to unions. Providing that all workers have the right to join a union. Having considered the same, report the same with the following resolution: RESOLVED, that it is INEXPEDIENT TO LEGISLATE.

Rep. Leonard Turcotte

FOR THE MAJORITY OF THE COMMITTEE

Original: House Clerk

# MAJORITY COMMITTEE REPORT

Committee:	Labor, Industrial and Rehabilitative Services
Bill Number:	CACR 14
Title:	relating to unions. Providing that all workers have the right to join a union.
Date:	February 16, 2022
Consent Calendar:	REGULAR
Recommendation:	INEXPEDIENT TO LEGISLATE

### STATEMENT OF INTENT

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Vote 12-9.

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Labor, Industrial and Rehabilitative Services

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TO PASS.

Rep. Donald Bouchard

FOR THE MINORITY OF THE COMMITTEE

Original: House Clerk

## MINORITY COMMITTEE REPORT

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Bill Number:	CACR 14			
Title:	relating to unions. Providing that all workers have the right to join a union.			
Date:	February 16, 2022			
Consent Calendar:	REGULAR			
Recommendation:	OUGHT TO PASS			

### STATEMENT OF INTENT

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### **Heather Goley**

From: Will Infantine <will.infantine@optisure.com>

Sent: Tuesday, February 15, 2022 10:20 PM

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Subject: FW: CACR14 Blurb



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# HOUSE COMMITTEE ON LABOR, INDUSTRIAL AND REHABILITATIVE SERVICES

### **EXECUTIVE SESSION on CACR 14**

BILL TITLE:

relating to unions. Providing that all workers have the right to join a union.

DATE:

February 3, 2022

LOB ROOM:

305 - 307

**MOTIONS**:

INEXPEDIENT TO LEGISLATE

Moved by Rep. Turcotte

Seconded by Rep. Avellani

Vote: 12-9

CONSENT CALENDAR: NO

**Statement of Intent:** 

Refer to Committee Report

Respectfully submitted,

Rep Jonathan Mackie, Clerk

# HOUSE COMMITTEE ON LABOR, INDUSTRIAL AND REHABILITATIVE SERVICES EXECUTIVE SESSION on CACR 14

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# Labor, Industrial and Rehabilitative Services

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<u>Members</u>	YEAS	<u>Nays</u>	NV
Infantine, William J. Chairman			
Seaworth, Brian Vice Chairman	v		
Avellani, Lino M.	V		
Callum, John M.	V		Washington and the
Mackie, Jonathan D. Clerk	V/		
Love, David C.	V		
Warden, Mark	V		
Turcotte, Leonard P.	V		
Prout, Andrew J.	V		
Boyd, Stephen E.			
Hough, Gregg			
Sullivan, Brian M.		V.	
Soucy, Timothy A.		V	
Baroody, Benjamin C. Pimentel		V	
Cahill, Michael D.	V		ATTENDED ON STREET
DiSilvestro, Linda A.		V	
Schmidt, Janice E.		V	
Toomey, Dan		V	
Bouchard, Donald J.		V	
Adjutant, Joshua		V	
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# HOUSE COMMITTEE ON LABOR, INDUSTRIAL AND REHABILITATIVE SERVICES PUBLIC HEARING ON

**BILL TITLE:** CACR 14 Relating to unions. Providing that all workers have the right to join a union.

**DATE: 1/13/22** 

**ROOM: 305-307** Time Public Hearing Called to Order: 10:05

Time Adjourned: 10:11

### (Members high-lighted in red were absent)

<u>Committee Members:</u> Reps. Infantine, Seaworth, Mackie, Avellani, Callum, Nunez, Warden, Turcotte, Prout, Boyd, Hough, Sullivan, Soucy, Baroody, Cahill, DiSilvestro, J. Schmidt, Toomey, Bouchard, Adjutant and Maneval

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# **House Remote Testify**

Labor, Industrial and Rehabilitative Services Committee Testify List for Bill CACR14 on 2022-01-13
Support: 6 Oppose: 4 Neutral: 0 Total to Testify: 0

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HB1351 prohibiting certain employers from requiring a COVID-19 vaccination as a condition of employment.

I OPPOSE this bill. The legislature has spent an inordinate amount of time proposing and debating bills that have a very narrow focus. Are all employers prohibited from requiring any vaccination as condition of employment or will we see a never ending stream of similar legislation for for other vaccinations?

New Hampshire law He-P 301.13-15 requires that all children enrolled in any school, pre-school, or child care have certain immunizations to protect them and those around them from vaccine preventable diseases. So there is a precedent in NH to require vaccinations for the collective good. If HB1351 passes, will it be the beginning of dismantling of RSA 301.13-15?

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HB1385 prohibiting the use of credit history in employment decisions.

I SUPPORT this bill. Unless the job involves financial management or responsibility, credit history does not provide any meaningful information in employment decisions. I would like to see this bill amended to include a clause that provides similar access to HB 1156 to require that any potential employee who is subject to a credit history investigation receive a copy of the investigation report.

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HB1386 establishing a committee to study the effects of heat and high temperature on employee working conditions.

I am NEUTRAL on this bill.

### **Heather Goley**

From: Patti Anastasia <patti.anastasia@gmail.com> Sent: Wednesday, January 26, 2022 3:00 PM To: ~House Labor, Industrial and Rehabilitative Services Cc: Al Baldasaro; Betsy McKinney; Doug Thomas; Wayne MacDonald; David Lundgren; Sherman Packard; Tom Dolan **Subject:** Testimony for Thursday Jan 27 Committee Meeting hearing From: Patricia Anastasia, 50 Holstein Ave, Londonderry, NH To: House Labor, Industrial, and Rehabilitative Service Committee Dear Committee members, The House Calendar is not permitting me to record my testimony on bills to be heard by your committee on Thursday 1/27. The remote sign-in button is not available on the page. Here is my testimony for your committee hearing. Thank you for your consideration of my testimony. CACR14 relating to unions. Providing that all workers have the right to join a union. I am NEUTRAL on CACR14 HB1053 relative to the hourly rate paid to an employee for hours worked but not previously scheduled. I SUPPORT this bill. We need to support our hourly wage workers. R HB1156 requiring certain public servants to receive a copy of a pre-employment background investigation. I SUPPORT this bill. Denying potential employees who are subject to investigations means that they cannot address any issue and/or mistakes in the investigation. This bill is about transparency. HB1207 requiring an employer to provide paid time off for an employee to vote. I SUPPORT this bill. We should be doing everything we can to encourage every eligible voter to vote. Many employees currently do not have the freedom of being able to adjust their schedules to allow them time to vote while meeting other important family committments.

I SUPPORT this bill. Delays in worker's compensation put heavy burdens on people who are not able to work because of

HB1231 relative to failure to make payment of compensation.

a workplace injury. It is imperative to resolve these cases in a timely manner.

### CACR 14 - AS INTRODUCED

### 2022 SESSION

22-2189 07/10

CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT
CONCURRENT RESOLUTION 14

**RELATING TO:** 

unions.

PROVIDING THAT:

all workers have the right to join a union.

SPONSORS:

Rep. Labranche, Hills. 22; Rep. Gallager, Merr. 15; Rep. Bouchard, Hills. 11; Rep. Grassie, Straf. 11; Rep. Frost, Straf. 16; Rep. Laughton, Hills. 31; Rep.

Petrigno, Hills. 23

COMMITTEE:

Labor, Industrial and Rehabilitative Services

### **ANALYSIS**

This constitutional amendment concurrent resolution establishes the right for workers to join a union in the state 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 Twenty Two

### CONCURRENT RESOLUTION PROPOSING CONSITUTIONAL AMENDMENT

**RELATING TO:** 

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PROVIDING THAT:

all workers have the right to join a union.

Be it Resolved by the House of Representatives, the Senate concurring, that the Constitution of New Hampshire be amended as follows:

- I. That the first part of the constitution be amended by inserting after article 2-b the following new article:
  - [Art.] 2-c. [Right to Unionize.] All workers within this state shall have the right to join a union.
  - II. That the above amendment proposed to the constitution be submitted to the qualified voters of the state at the state general election to be held in November, 2022.
  - III. That the selectmen of all towns, cities, wards and places in the state are directed to insert in their warrants for the said 2022 election an article to the following effect: To decide whether the amendments of the constitution proposed by the 2022 session of the general court shall be approved.
    - IV. That the wording of the question put to the qualified voters shall be:
  - "Are you in favor of amending the first part of the constitution by inserting after article 2-b a new article to read as follows:
    - [Art.] 2-c. [Right to Unionize.] All workers within this state shall have the right to join a union."
  - V. That the secretary of state shall print the question to be submitted on a separate ballot or on the same ballot with other constitutional questions. The ballot containing the question shall include 2 squares next to the question allowing the voter to vote "Yes" or "No." If no cross is made in either of the squares, the ballot shall not be counted on the question. The outside of the ballot shall be the same as the regular official ballot except that the words "Questions Relating to Constitutional Amendments proposed by the 2022 General Court" shall be printed in bold type at the top of the ballot.
  - VI. That if the proposed amendment is approved by 2/3 of those voting on the amendment, it becomes effective when the governor proclaims its adoption.
    - VII. Voters' Guide.
  - AT THE PRESENT TIME, the New Hampshire constitution does not provide workers the right to join a union.
- 26 IF THE AMENDMENT IS ADOPTED, the New Hampshire constitution will provide 27 workers with the right to join a union.

Hello Members of the House Labor, Industrial, and Rehabilitative Services Committee,

My name is Representative Tony Labranche and I represent Amherst, NH. I come before you today to introduce CACR 14. CACR 14 is a simple constitutional amendment that would add the right to unionize to our State Constitution, therefore giving it the status of a fundamental right. Currently the right to unionize and to join a union is governed and protected by the National Labor Relations Act of 1935. Although this is a simple act of congress that could be repealed at any moment. This amendment would strengthen this right and make it a fundamental right therefore being much harder to revoke. Unions are what built the American middle class and since their decline in the 1980s we have seen rising inequality and an associated decline in the American middle class. Unions are currently under attack in this country with so called "Right to Work" laws, which is just a fun way of saying Union Busting, being passed around the country. We must turn the tide and protect this fundamental human right.

With that I ask the committee to pass this bill with an OTP motion.

Respectfully Submitted,

Rep. Tony Labranche

Amherst, NH