

REGULAR CALENDAR

February 23, 2022

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

REPORT OF COMMITTEE

**The Majority of the Committee on Education to which
was referred HB 1113,**

**AN ACT prohibiting the department of education and
the state board of education from directing or limiting
school instructional options, such as remote learning.**

**Having considered the same, report the same with the
following resolution: **RESOLVED, that it is
INEXPEDIENT TO LEGISLATE.****

Rep. Glenn Cordelli

FOR THE MAJORITY OF THE COMMITTEE

MAJORITY COMMITTEE REPORT

Committee:	Education
Bill Number:	HB 1113
Title:	prohibiting the department of education and the state board of education from directing or limiting school instructional options, such as remote learning.
Date:	February 23, 2022
Consent Calendar:	REGULAR
Recommendation:	INEXPEDIENT TO LEGISLATE

STATEMENT OF INTENT

Remote instruction and student learning loss are huge issues. Our math proficiency scores have dropped from 48% to 38% of students proficient. Studies have reported learning loss of over one-half a school year. This bill would prohibit the Department of Education from limiting school options such as closing or going to remote learning. It is an attempt to overturn the new rules just passed by the state Board of Education and the Joint Legislative Committee on Administrative Rules. These rules do not prohibit closures and specifically allow for closures due to weather or a parental request for remote instruction. They provide for parental options rather than school mandates. We should do all we can to keep our schools open and providing in-person instruction.

Vote 10-9.

Rep. Glenn Cordelli
FOR THE MAJORITY

Original: House Clerk
Cc: Committee Bill File

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Education

HB 1113, prohibiting the department of education and the state board of education from directing or limiting school instructional options, such as remote learning. **MAJORITY: INEXPEDIENT TO LEGISLATE. MINORITY: OUGHT TO PASS WITH AMENDMENT.**

Rep. Glenn Cordelli for the **Majority** of Education. Remote instruction and student learning loss are huge issues. Our math proficiency scores have dropped from 48% to 38% of students proficient. Studies have reported learning loss of over one-half a school year. This bill would prohibit the Department of Education from limiting school options such as closing or going to remote learning. It is an attempt to overturn the new rules just passed by the state Board of Education and the Joint Legislative Committee on Administrative Rules. These rules do not prohibit closures and specifically allow for closures due to weather or a parental request for remote instruction. They provide for parental options rather than school mandates. We should do all we can to keep our schools open and providing in-person instruction. **Vote 10-9.**

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school instructional options, such as remote learning.**

**Having considered the same, and being unable to agree
with the Majority, report with the following
amendment, and the recommendation that the bill
OUGHT TO PASS WITH AMENDMENT.**

Rep. Marjorie Porter

FOR THE MINORITY OF THE COMMITTEE

**MINORITY
COMMITTEE REPORT**

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Date:	February 23, 2022
Consent Calendar:	REGULAR
Recommendation:	OUGHT TO PASS WITH AMENDMENT 2022-0878h

STATEMENT OF INTENT

Throughout the pandemic, the state, saying one size does not fit all, left it up to individual school districts to determine the best way to keep their students, staff, and the community they serve safe and healthy. When emergency orders were in place, schools went to remote learning as a way to keep kids safe and learning, and staff and families as well; as things progressed, remote, hybrid, and in person options were used. Districts were nimble, pivoting quickly from one to the other as conditions required. However, even though the pandemic is not over, a recent rule change at the Department of Education takes away the remote option as a way to meet the 180-day school year requirement. Under the current rule, days of remote instruction must be made up at the end of the year, except if used for a snow day. The bill, as amended, allows schools to use remote instruction as an emergency option for up to five days per school year, and to petition the Department of Education for a waiver if more than five days are needed. The minority believes that systems and tools are in place and staff have gained the skills to make remote learning a viable option in times of emergency, and that schools should be able to stay nimble if they need to be.

Rep. Marjorie Porter
FOR THE MINORITY

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Floor Amendment to HB 1113

1 Amend the title of the bill by replacing it with the following:

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3 AN ACT allowing remote instruction to satisfy the required number of hours of school.

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5 Amend the bill by replacing all after the enacting clause with the following:

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7 1 Education; Days of School; Remote Instruction. Amend RSA 189:1 to read as follows:

8 189:1 Days of School; **Remote Instruction.**

9 **I.** The school board of every district shall provide standard schools for at least 180 days in
10 each year, or the equivalent number of hours as required in the rules of the department of education,
11 [~~at such places in the district~~] as will best serve the interests of education and give to all the pupils
12 within the district as nearly equal advantages as are practicable.

13 **II.** *A school district may conduct remote instruction for up to 5 days per year, or the*
14 *equivalent number of hours, when the school has been closed due to inclement weather, an*
15 *emergency, or other extenuating circumstances impacting the health, safety, and welfare of*
16 *students and school staff. Remote instruction shall satisfy the required amount of*
17 *instructional time under applicable statutes and state board of education rules. If a*
18 *district desires to implement remote instruction for more than 5 days per year, the district*
19 *may petition the commissioner of the department of education requesting that the district*
20 *be allowed to offer remote instruction for more than 5 days per year. The petition shall*
21 *state why inclement weather, an emergency, or other extenuating circumstances impacting*
22 *the health, safety, and welfare of students and school staff makes it necessary for the*
23 *district to offer more than 5 days of remote instruction per year. The commissioner shall*
24 *accept or deny the request within 48 hours of receipt of the petition.*

25 2 Effective Date. This act shall take effect 60 days after its passage.

Floor Amendment to HB 1113
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AMENDED ANALYSIS

This bill allows remote instruction to satisfy school instruction requirements for up to 5 school days for when a school is closed due to inclement weather, an emergency, or other extenuating circumstances.

HOUSE COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION

EXECUTIVE SESSION on HB 1113

BILL TITLE: prohibiting the department of education and the state board of education from directing or limiting school instructional options, such as remote learning.

DATE: February 24, 2022

LOB ROOM: 207

MOTIONS: INEXPEDIENT TO LEGISLATE

Moved by Rep. Cordelli

Seconded by Rep. Hobson

Vote: 10-9

Respectfully submitted,

Rep Melissa Litchfield, Clerk

HOUSE COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION

EXECUTIVE SESSION on Bill # 1113

BILL TITLE: ... prohibiting the dept of ed and the state board of ed from directing or limiting school instructional options, such as remote learning
DATE: 2/24/22
LOB ROOM: 207

MOTION: (Please check one box)

- OTP
- ITL
- Retain (1st year)
- Adoption of Amendment # ~~455~~
- Interim Study (2nd year)
- (if offered)

Moved by Rep. Cordelli Seconded by Rep. Hobson Vote: 10-9

MOTION: (Please check one box)

- OTP
- OTP/A
- ITL
- Retain (1st year)
- Adoption of Amendment # _____
- Interim Study (2nd year)
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Moved by Rep. _____ Seconded by Rep. _____ Vote: _____

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Moved by Rep. _____ Seconded by Rep. _____ Vote: _____

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- Retain (1st year)
- Adoption of Amendment # _____
- Interim Study (2nd year)
- (if offered)

Moved by Rep. _____ Seconded by Rep. _____ Vote: _____

CONSENT CALENDAR: _____ YES _____ NO

Minority Report? Yes _____ No If yes, author, Rep: Porter Motion OTPA

Respectfully submitted: [Signature]
Rep. Melissa Litchfield, Clerk



2022 SESSION

Education

Bill #: 1113 Motion: ITL AM #: _____ Exec Session Date: 2/24/22

<u>Members</u>	<u>YEAS</u>	<u>Nays</u>	<u>NV</u>
Ladd, Rick M. Chairman <i>1st</i>	10		
Cordelli, Glenn Vice Chairman <i>1st</i>	1		
Litchfield, Melissa A. Clerk	2		
Boehm, Ralph G.	3		
Lekas, Alicia D.	4		
Moffett, Michael	5		
Hobson, Deborah L.	6		
Ford, Oliver J.	7		
Soti, Julius F.	8		
Nelson, Bill G.	9		
Myler, Mel-Walz, Mary Beth <i>2nd</i>		2	
Luneau, David J. <i>1st</i>		1	
Cornell, Patricia		3	
Tanner, Linda L.		4	
Ellison, Arthur S.		5	
Mullen, Sue M.		6	
Woodcock, Stephen L.		7	
Porter, Marjorie		8	
A. Hall, Muriel C.		9	
TOTAL VOTE:	10	9	

HOUSE COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION

PUBLIC HEARING on Bill # HB1113

BILL TITLE: prohibiting the department of education and the state board of education from directing or limiting school instructional options, such as remote learning.

DATE: 1/20/22

ROOM: 207

Time Public Hearing Called to Order: 2:15 pm

Time Adjourned: _____

Committee Members: Reps. Ladd, Cordelli, Boehm, A. Lekas, Moffett, Hobson, Ford, Soti, B. Nelson, Litchfield, Myler, Luneau, Cornell, Tanner, Ellison, Mullen, Woodcock, Hall and Porter

Rep Porter:

Prime Sponsor, wants schools to be able to shut down and be remote.

Barrett Christina: NHSBA:

They are in support of this bill.

Rep Ladd: Verbiage for this law is going to go under school performance. Is there not a better place to put this language?

Rep Lekas: Reading this bill, seems more encompassing than just this situation.

Response: Talk of maybe a ten-day waiver.

Drew Cline: Board of Education- Opposes this bill-

Just for the record, there is no prohibition on closing schools whatsoever. The rule says instruction can only be remote if inclement weather. The only other way you can go remote under the rule is for parents who request it. They do not require the school to offer it. Crafted a rule, Netherlands went remote for a short closure- the learning loss reflected 1/3 of school year. Always accommodated the minority that needed in person could have it.

MIT, Brown and Univ of Nebraska- declines higher in districts that were not open.

Going in person reduced the learning loss by 71% in Math and 51% in reading.

In Harvard Gazette, we see that students are four to five months behind in Math. There has been a casualness of closing schools that I just do not understand.... Schools should not close.

U.S. Dept of Education under Biden - NH- 2019 to 2021 prof in math fell 10% and reading fell 4%.

The number of students failing at least one course in Manchester is at 36%.

Study in Chicago, kids feeling anger and depression when not in classroom. Another study showing considerable harms even if remote learning. In person learning may be critical to the physical and mental health in students.

This is directly related to the loss in public school students. NH lost 8,000 students that did not come back this fall!

You are potentially enabling school districts to go remote when and for as long as they want. Parents should have a buy in and a say. And if they don't, they will continue to leave the system.

Rep Ladd, we have lost one million higher ed students in the US in the last year.

Has the dept looked into what instruction looks like? For example, just handing over assignments?

Rep Walz: Why is it not better for local control? Why is it ok for them to be warehoused in a cafeteria? Why not just shut down for 2 or 3 days? Why are we taking away local control in this time?

Response: Devastating catastrophic impacts of remote instruction. Again, schools can shut down for a day.

Rep Luneau: Looking at rule proposal that went to the State Board.

Rep Mullen: What would he advise for a school that does not have enough bodies.

Response: Then close. They are trying to do what is best for students. Clearly being in class is the best thing for students.

Rep Hall: What happens if June 30 - do not have 180 days - if a district had to say tack on 3 weeks, they are able to come to the dept and request a waiver for instructional hours.

Respectfully submitted,

Rep. Melissa Litchfield, Clerk

House Remote Testify

Education Committee Testify List for Bill HB1113 on 2022-01-20

Support: 168 Oppose: 19 Neutral: 0 Total to Testify: 0

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<u>Name</u>	<u>City, State</u> <u>Email Address</u>	<u>Title</u>	<u>Representing</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Testifying</u>	<u>Non-Germane</u>	<u>Signed Up</u>
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From: [Kit Lord](#)

Sent: Wednesday, January 19, 2022 3:13:44 PM

To: [~House Education Committee](#)

Subject: Vote YES on HB 1113 -

Importance: Normal

Dear Representatives,

I strongly urge you to vote YES on this bill.

HB1113 - prohibiting the department of education and the state board of education from directing or limiting school instructional options, such as remote learning.

Do everything you can to support this bill to empower our school districts to put student health and safety first!
Their safety spreads out to my safety.

Sincerely,
Kit Lord, Northwood

Archived: Thursday, January 20, 2022 11:42:23 AM

From: [Jody Mercier](#)

Sent: Tuesday, January 18, 2022 9:54:42 AM

To: [~House Education Committee](#)

Subject: NH House Remote Testify: 1:45 pm - HB1113 in House Education

Importance: Normal

I support HB 1113. As a citizen and retired School Counselor, I support decisions regarding hybrid or remote learning during this pandemic should be made by Local Education Officials. They are the most knowledgeable about the conditions and needs of the community they serve. Thank you.

Jody L Mercier
307 E. Dunbarton Rd
Goffstown, NH

I support this bill HB 1113

Our school boards and school districts have an obligation to look out for the health and safety of our students and teachers. Herding 100-300+ students in one room during a 25% positivity rate covid19 pandemic crisis wave is child endangerment and toxic unsafe workplaces. Do not punish schools for looking out for students and making safety decisions. Remote learning should always count as school days and be used periodically (as needed) during pandemic wave spikes to lower the curve and to prevent a community crisis and avoid people dying in hospital waiting rooms. Violence and danger in our schools increase when students are not supervised. This bill is a basic humanitarian need to protect students and staff in our NH schools.

Sonia Prince

49 tufts Drive

Nashua NH 03064

I am strongly in support of this bill. As we have seen at previous points during this pandemic, a one-size-fits-all approach is completely inappropriate for the cities and towns that make up New Hampshire. What might be appropriate for the school children and families in Nashua will likely not be the best solution for the students and families in Tilton, given each locale's size and student population. Leave the power to determine what's best for each town or city up to the governing bodies that are best informed to make those decisions, local school boards and districts. I hope that you will vote to support this bill and demonstrate to NH citizens that you're not using this pandemic as an opportunity to score political points and that you're willing to put the safety of our students and their families above partisanship.

Archived: Friday, January 21, 2022 9:01:37 AM

From: [Jon Kiper](#)

Sent: Thursday, January 20, 2022 8:56:02 PM

To: [~House Education Committee](#)

Subject: Vote No on HB1113

Importance: Normal

Dear House Education Committee,

I urge you to vote no on HB1113. I don't need The NH Dept. of education micromanaging my sons kindergarten school schedule. That is why we elect a school board. I did not vote for Commissioner Edelblut. I voted for my school board.

Jon Kiper
Newmarket

Sent from my iPhone

Testimony on HB1113
From Debrah Howes, President AFT-NH

To NH House Education Committee

Dear Chairman Ladd and Members of the Committee,

My name is Debrah Howes. I am the president of the American Federation of Teachers – NH. AFT-NH represents 3,500 teachers, paraeducators and school support staff, public service employees and higher education staff across New Hampshire.

I am writing to urge support of HB 1113. Make no mistake about it, my members want to be in the classroom with their students in person. They want to be engaging students in lessons face to face, seeing their reactions, being able to respond to questions, give feedback and encouragement on the spot. But we also know that with COVID widespread in communities across the state and substitutes for any position in insufficient supply, keeping schools open reliably without interruptions is next to impossible.

The State Board of Education just adopted a top-down rule that would prevent local districts from using remote learning as a planned part of its toolkit and count it towards its required instructional time. HB1113 would allow local districts to vote to adopt whatever learning model the school board decided was appropriate for local circumstances and be able to count the hours as instructional time.

Right now, we have schools struggling to stay open despite high staff and student absences. In an effort to keep in-person schooling going, paraeducators are being pulled from their normal jobs supporting students to cover classes. If there isn't an adult available to cover a class, the students are split up amongst several classrooms, disrupting their routine and lessons. In some schools, there are so many staff out that they have to combine several classes together in the gym and the students work independently. Many students are also sick and missing school. One teacher described it as a juggling act of always having to have multiple assignments going for each class, every single day: new material for the students who had been in class the previous day and make up assignments for the students who had been absent. There is not a lot of quality instruction able to take place under these circumstances.

Please, give local school boards the tools they need to keep students learning. I urge you to vote this bill Ought to Pass.

Sincerely,
Debrah Howes

Debrah Howes
President AFT-NH

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From: [TERESA MCINERNY](#)
Sent: Tuesday, January 18, 2022 1:32:47 PM
To: [~House Education Committee](#)
Subject: SUPPORT HB1113
Importance: Normal

Please vote in SUPPORT OF HB1113!

Each school district should have individual control over their own response and policies regarding this pandemic!!! Local communities should have that control since what is best for one may not be the best for another! In person or remote learning should not be a statewide mandate. This is a local decision.

Teresa McInerny
14 Neighborhood Ct
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HB 1113 - AS INTRODUCED

2022 SESSION

22-2834

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HOUSE BILL **1113**

AN ACT prohibiting the department of education and the state board of education from directing or limiting school instructional options, such as remote learning.

SPONSORS: Rep. Porter, Hills. 1; Rep. Woodcock, Carr. 2; Rep. Myler, Merr. 10; Rep. Mullen, Hills. 7; Rep. Ellison, Merr. 27

COMMITTEE: Education

ANALYSIS

This bill prohibits the department of education and the state board of education from directing or limiting remote learning options.

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

AN ACT prohibiting the department of education and the state board of education from directing or limiting school instructional options, such as remote learning.

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

1 1 School Performance and Accountability; Remote Learning. Amend RSA 193-H:5 to read as
2 follows:

3 193-H:5 Powers of the Department of Education. Nothing in this chapter shall be construed to
4 permit either the department of education or the state board of education to take control of the daily
5 operations of any local public school. ***The department of education and the state board of***
6 ***education are prohibited from directing or limiting the implementation by school boards of***
7 ***school instructional options including remote learning.***

8 2 Effective Date. This act shall take effect 60 days after its passage.