

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE MINUTES

**HB71**

# Bill as Introduced

HB 71 - AS INTRODUCED

2023 SESSION

23-0452  
02/04

HOUSE BILL

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COMMITTEE: Education

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Approved: May 17, 2023  
Effective Date: July 16, 2023



# Committee Minutes

**SENATE CALENDAR NOTICE**  
**Education**

Sen Ruth Ward, Chair  
Sen Carrie Gendreau, Vice Chair  
Sen Timothy Lang, Member  
Sen Suzanne Prentiss, Member  
Sen Donovan Fenton, Member

Date: March 22, 2023

**HEARINGS**

Tuesday	03/28/2023
(Day)	(Date)
Education	Legislative Office Building 101 9:00 a.m.
(Name of Committee)	(Place) (Time)
9:00 a.m. <b>HB 71</b>	repealing a department of education report on chartered public school funding.
9:15 a.m. <b>HB 170</b>	requiring the teaching of cursive handwriting and multiplication tables.
9:30 a.m. <b>HB 377-FN</b>	relative to screening and intervention in public schools and public charter schools for dyslexia and related disorders, and establishing an addition to adequate education grants for certain pupils screened for dyslexia and related disorders.
9:45 a.m. <b>HB 435</b>	relative to relief aid calculation in determining grants for adequate education.
10:00 a.m. <b>HB 536</b>	relative to the chartered public school joint legislative oversight committee.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION MAY FOLLOW**

**Sponsors:**

**HB 71**

Rep. Mooney                      Sen. Ward

**HB 170**

Rep. Hobson                      Rep. Ball                      Rep. Kuttab                      Rep. Ladd

**HB 377-FN**

Rep. Kuttab                      Rep. Ball                      Rep. Ebel                      Rep. Tanner  
Rep. Cordelli                      Rep. Hobson                      Rep. Prudhomme-O'Brien                      Sen. Ward

Sen. Avard

**HB 435**

Rep. Luneau

**HB 536**

Rep. Tanner                      Rep. Wallner                      Rep. Luneau                      Rep. Massimilla  
Rep. Telerski

Peter Mulvey 271-4063

Ruth Ward  
Chairman

# Senate Education Committee

*Peter Mulvey 271-4063*

**HB 71**, repealing a department of education report on chartered public school funding.

**Hearing Date:** March 28, 2023

**Time Opened:** 9:00 a.m.

**Time Closed:** 9:05 a.m.

**Members of the Committee Present:** Senators Ward, Gendreau, Lang, Prentiss and Fenton

**Members of the Committee Absent :** None

**Bill Analysis:** This bill removes the requirement that the commissioner of the department of education submit a report to the fiscal committee of the general court for each payment made in a fiscal year by the state to a chartered public school.

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**Sponsors:**

Rep. Mooney

Sen. Ward

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**Who supports the bill:** Rep. Maureen Mooney (Hillsborough D-12), Rep. Glenn Cordelli (Carroll D-7), Rep. Rick Ladd (Grafton D-5), Caitlin Davis (Department of Education), Julie Smith, Walter Kisch, Deborah Glidden, Patrick Doughty, and Jennifer Mercer.

**Who opposes the bill:** None.

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

**Summary of testimony presented:**

**Representative Maureen Mooney**

*Hillsborough - District 12*

- Representative Mooney Introduced HB 71.
- Rep. Mooney described HB 71 as a repeal of RSA 194-B:11-I.(e), the charter school funding chapter of New Hampshire Law
- HB 71 was written as an exact duplicate of SB 25, which was also introduced in the 2023 session.
  - Rep. Mooney shared that SB 25 left the Senate Education Committee with a unanimous recommendation of ought to pass in January of 2023.
  - The legislation also passed the full Senate via voice vote later that same month.
- HB 71 came at the request of the New Hampshire Department of Education.
- According to Rep. Mooney, a change in statute caused the charter school's reporting requirement within the specified RSA to be moot.

- Previously, additional charter school money would be determined by the finance committee.
- Rep. Mooney shared that currently, the standard practice to provide charter schools with additional money was to have the Department of Education draw a warrant, which negated the fiscal committee.
- Despite the reports no longer being necessary, the Department of Education would still produce them. Rep. Mooney said the Department used approximately 15 hours of staff time to produce each report.
- Reports on charter school funding could be found on the New Hampshire Department of Education's website.
- HB 71 passed 16-4 in the House Education Committee.
- Rep. Mooney described the bill as straightforward, and said it had considerable support in both chambers.
- HB 71 ought to be used to repeal the reporting provision in RSA 194-B:11-I.(e) per the request of the Department of Education.

**Caitlin Davis**

***New Hampshire Department of Education***

- Sen. Ward asked if HB 71 was considered a technical correction.
  - Ms. Davis agreed and said enrollments and the Department's payment data were available online.
  - Ms. Davis further said that the reporting requirement was a carry-over from when the Department of Education had less authority over the funding of charters.
  - Ms. Davis said that considering the fiscal committee had not demonstrated interest or inquiry regarding the annual reports, they did not provide much value to anybody.

# Speakers



# Senate Remote Testify

Education Committee Testify List for Bill HB71 on 2023-03-28

Support: 5 Oppose: 0

<u>Name</u>	<u>Title</u>	<u>Representing</u>	<u>Position</u>
Smith, Julie	A Member of the Public	Myself	Support
kisch, walter	A Member of the Public	Myself	Support
glidden, deborah	A Member of the Public	Myself	Support
Doughty, Patrick	A Member of the Public	Myself	Support
Mercer, Jennifer	A Member of the Public	Myself	Support

# Voting Sheets



# Senate Education Committee

## EXECUTIVE SESSION RECORD

### 2023-2024 Session

Bill # HB71

Hearing date: 3/28

Executive Session date: 3/28

Motion of: OTP Vote: 5-0

Committee Member	Present	Made by	Second	Yes	No
Sen. Ward, Chair	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Sen. Gendreau, Vice Chair	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Sen. Lang	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Sen. Prentiss	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Sen. Fenton	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input 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
Sen. Ward, Chair	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
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Reported out by: Sen. Lang

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

STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

SENATE

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE  
FOR THE CONSENT CALENDAR

Thursday, March 30, 2023

THE COMMITTEE ON Education

to which was referred HB 71

AN ACT

repealing a department of education report on  
chartered public school funding.

Having considered the same, the committee recommends that the Bill

OUGHT TO PASS

BY A VOTE OF: 5-0

Senator Timothy Lang  
For the Committee

As introduced HB 71 seeks to remove the requirement for the commissioner of the department of education to submit a report to the fiscal committee of the general court for each payment made by the state to a chartered public school in a fiscal year. This bill would repeal RSA 194-B:11 I(e), which is noted as the exact same bill as SB 25. This bill comes upon the request of the department of education as a law change caused the reporting requirement to be moot.

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FOR THE CONSENT CALENDAR

**EDUCATION**

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Ought to Pass, Vote 5-0.

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## General Court of New Hampshire - Bill Status System

**Docket of HB71**

Docket Abbreviations

**Bill Title:** repealing a department of education report on chartered public school funding.*Official Docket of HB71.:*

<b>Date</b>	<b>Body</b>	<b>Description</b>
12/23/2022	H	<b>Introduced</b> 01/04/2023 and referred to Education
1/5/2023	H	Public Hearing: 01/11/2023 10:00 am LOB 205-207
1/25/2023	H	Executive Session: 02/01/2023 11:15 am LOB 205-207
2/8/2023	H	Executive Session: 02/15/2023 09:00 am LOB 205-207
3/1/2023	H	Executive Session: 03/06/2023 09:30 am LOB 205-207
3/8/2023	H	Committee Report: Ought to Pass 03/06/2023 ( <b>Vote 16-4; RC</b> ) <b>HC 15 P. 12</b>
3/16/2023	H	<b>Ought to Pass:</b> MA VV 03/16/2023 <b>HJ 9 P. 38</b>
3/21/2023	S	Introduced 03/16/2023 and Referred to Education; <b>SJ 11</b>
3/22/2023	S	<b>Hearing:</b> 03/28/2023, Room 101, LOB, 09:00 am; <b>SC 15</b>
4/6/2023	S	Committee Report: Ought to Pass, 04/13/2023; Vote 5-0; CC; <b>SC 17</b>
4/13/2023	S	<b>Ought to Pass:</b> MA, VV; OT3rdg; 04/13/2023; <b>SJ 13</b>
5/12/2023	S	Enrolled Adopted, VV, (In recess 05/11/2023); <b>SJ 15</b>
5/15/2023	H	Enrolled (in recess of) 05/04/2023
5/19/2023	H	Signed by Governor Sununu 05/17/2023; Chapter 27; Eff: 07/16/2023

NH House

NH Senate

# Other Referrals

**Senate Inventory Checklist for Archives**

Bill Number: HB 71

Senate Committee: Education

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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