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SENATE CALENDAR

MEETINGS, NOTICES

THE SENATE WILL MEET IN SESSION AT THE CALL OF THE CHAIR

LAID ON THE TABLE

CACR 14, relating to the funding of public education. Providing that the state shall fund an amount not less than 30 percent of the total average statewide expenditure for public education for kindergarten through grade 12 during the previous biennium and that the general court shall have the power to apportion this amount by statute; that the state shall assure the opportunity for an adequate public education for all pupils in the state in grades kindergarten through 12; and that no tax in any form on the value of real property shall be used to fund the state's obligation to cherish and support public education. **4/03/03, pending motion Re-refer to committee, Education, SJ 11, pg. 232**

SB 12-FN-A-L, establishing a property tax relief program for low income homeowners. **3/27/03, pending motion Re-refer to committee, Way & Means, SJ 10, pg. 203**

SB 27, extending the kindergarten construction program. **4/03/03, pending motion OTP with committee amendment failed, Finance, SJ 11 pg. 240**

SB 37-FN, increasing the amount paid to the firemen's relief fund from insurance department revenues. **3/27/03, pending motion OTP, Insurance, SJ 10 pg. 175**

SB 38-FN-A-L, (New Title) authorizing special number plates for firefighters. **4/03/03, pending motion ITL, Finance, SJ 11, pg. 240**

SB 102-FN, relative to the computation of tax on certain telecommunications services under the communications services tax. **3/20/203, pending motion committee amendment (0715s), Ways & Means, SJ 9, pg. 134**

SB 106, relative to the operation of personal watercraft. **4/03/03, pending motion ITL, Wildlife & Recreation, SJ 11, pg. 264**

SB 144-FN, relative to the lease agreement between the department of regional community-technical colleges and Pease development authority. **4/10/03, pending motion OTP, Finance, SJ 12, pg. 291**

SB 151-FN-A-L, relative to the taxation of telecommunications poles and conduits. **3/27/03, pending motion Re-refer to committee, Energy and Economic Development, SJ 10, pg. 147**

SB 160-FN-A, making a capital appropriation to continue construction of the vocational center in Nashua. **4/03/03, pending motion Re-refer to committee, Capital Budget, SJ 11, pg. 231**

SB 189, relative to certain automobile accidents. **4/10/03, pending motion Re-refer to committee, Insurance, SJ 12, pg. 302**

SB 203-FN, requiring the New Hampshire court system to automate mental health records to comply with federal law prohibiting possession of firearms by certain persons. **3/27/03, pending motion ITL, Judiciary, SJ 10, pg. 179**

SB 208-FN, establishing a property tax cap and abatement program. **3/27/03, pending motion Re-refer to committee, Ways & Means, SJ 10, pg. 209**

SB 209, relative to permissible campaign contributions by business organizations and labor unions. **4/03/03, pending motion Re-refer to committee, Internal Affairs, SJ 11, pg. 254**

SB 214-FN-A, establishing new positions in the department of health and human services and making an appropriation therefor. **4/10/03, pending motion OTP, Finance, SJ 12, pg. 294**

SB 216-FN-A, relative to the developmental services priority waiting list and making an appropriation therefor. **4/03/03, pending motion OTP, Finance, SJ 11, pg. 243**

SB 217-FN, relative to the calculation of average daily membership in residence for the purpose of calculating the cost of an adequate education. **4/10/03, pending motion ITL, Finance, SJ 12, pg. 294**

SB 224-FN-A-L, relative to the education property tax and needs-based targeted education aid and reducing the rates of the business enterprise tax and the business profits tax. **3/27/03, pending motion Re-refer to committee, Ways & Means, SJ 10, pg. 209**

SCR 1, urging a study of the operating efficiency of state government. **3/13/03, pending motion OTP, Internal Affairs, SJ 8, pg. 82**

HB 162, relative to remedies and penalties for injuries to domestic animals caused by dogs. **5/29/03, pending motion committee amendment (1723s), Wildlife & Recreation, SJ 18, pg. 515**

HB 177, excluding stepchildren from the definition of "child" in the context of support orders. **5/29/03, pending motion ITL, Judiciary, SJ 18, pg. 508**

HB 213, relative to reporting requirements for dedicated funds. **5/22/03, pending motion ITL, Executive Departments & Administration, SJ 17, pg. 441**

HB 222, specifying the term for physicians and dentists at the department of corrections and relative to the special school district within the department of corrections. **6/5/03, pending motion Floor Amendment (1464), Executive Departments & Administration, SJ 19, pg. TBA**

HB 293, establishing a commission to identify medical errors and their causes. **5/15/03, pending motion OTPA, Executive Departments & Administration, SJ 16, pg. 374**

HB 311, (New Title) repealing the obligation to provide persons applying for a marriage license with a list of family planning services and with brochures on fetal alcohol syndrome and the human immunodeficiency virus. **5/29/03, pending motion OTP, Public Affairs, SJ 18, pg. 509**

HB 327, establishing a committee to study the use of state vehicles. **4/17/03, pending motion ITL, Transportation, SJ 13, pg. 325**

HB 364-FN, relative to the use of automatic telephone dialing systems for political advocacy. **5/22/03, pending motion OTP, Internal Affairs SJ 17, pg. 453**

HB 419, establishing a committee to study issues related to the management of railroads operating with leases on state property. **5/15/03, pending motion OTPA, Transportation, SJ 16 pg. 384**

HB 424, (New Title) relative to a net asset qualification for the elderly property tax exemption, and clarifying certain references in property tax exemptions. **6/5/03, pending motion ITL, Ways & Means, SJ 19, pg. TBA**

HB 455, relative to residency requirements for disabled persons applying for a tax deferral of property taxes. **6/5/03, pending motion ITL, Ways & Means, SJ 19, pg. TBA**

HB 466, relative to the adoption procedure for property tax exemptions and credits. **6/5/03, pending motion ITL, Ways & Means, SJ 19, pg. TBA**

HB 467, (New Title) allowing towns or cities to increase the property tax credit for service-connected total disability, and relative to the date for filing for exemptions and tax credits. **5/6/03 pending motion ITL, Ways & Means, SJ 19, pg. TBA**

HB 495, relative to unauthorized access to a wireless computer network. **6/5/03, pending motion ITL, Judiciary, SJ 19, pg. TBA**

HB 528, establishing a commission to study computer standards used in public schools in New Hampshire. **5/29/03, pending motion ITL, Education, SJ 18, pg. 498**

HB 638-FN, increasing the oil import license fee, changing the rate of interest assessed on overdue oil import fees, and repealing underground storage facility permit fees. **5/22/03, pending motion Re-refer to committee, Transportation, SJ 17, pg. 476**

HB 676-FN, relative to lake level investigations. **4/24/03, pending motion OTP, Environment, SJ 14, pg. 334**

HB 720-FN-L, extending the kindergarten aid program. **6/5/03, pending motion OTP, Finance, SJ 19, pg TBA**

HB 735-FN, relative to prescription drugs and medicaid best practices. **5/22/03, pending motion ITL, Public Institutions, Health & Human Services, SJ 17, pg. 475**

HB 776, relative to emergency medical care for pregnant women. **6/5/03, pending motion ITL, Insurance, SJ 19, pg. TBA**

HB 786-FN-L, relative to the participation of the state and its political subdivisions in the federal No Child Left Behind Act of 2001. **5/22/03, pending motion OTPA (committee amendment adopted), Education, SJ 17, pg. 437**

HCR 9, urging the President and the Joint Chiefs of Staff to abandon the Total Information Awareness Initiative. **6/5/03, pending motion OTP, Interstate Cooperation, SJ 19, pg. TBA**

MEETINGS

MONDAY, JUNE 9, 2003

ASSESS THE OPERATION EFFICIENCY OF STATE GOVERNMENT (HB 171, Chapter 1:1, Laws of 2003)

8:30 a.m. Room 100, SH Regular Meeting

GUARDIAN AD LITEM BOARD (RSA 490-C:1)

1:00 p.m. Room 102, LOB Regular Meeting

THURSDAY, JUNE 12, 2003

NEWBURYPORT MA TO KITTEERY ME EASTERN LINE RAIL SERVICE TASK FORCE (HB 1378, Chapter 45:1, Laws of 2000)

7:00 p.m. Portsmouth City Hall Regular Meeting
Council Chambers

FRIDAY, JUNE 13, 2003

BOARD OF CLAIMS (RSA 541-B:3)

9:00 a.m. Room 100, SH Regular Meeting

JUDICIAL COUNCIL (RSA 494:1)

10:30 a.m. Rooms 206-208, LOB Regular Meeting

TASK FORCE ON FAMILY LAW (HB 447, Chapter 250:1, Laws of 2002)

12:00 p.m. - 2:00 p.m. Room 206-208, LOB Regular Meeting

MONDAY, JUNE 16, 2003

ASSESS THE OPERATION EFFICIENCY OF STATE GOVERNMENT (HB 171, Chapter 1:1, Laws of 2003)

8:30 a.m. Room 100, SH Regular Meeting

BOARD OF MANUFACTURED HOUSING (RSA 205-A:25)

1:00 p.m. Room 201, LOB Complaint Hearing

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 18, 2003

FISCAL COMMITTEE OF THE GENERAL COURT (RSA 14:30-a)

9:00 a.m. Rooms 210-211, LOB Regular Business

TASK FORCE ON JUVENILE JUSTICE SERVICE CAPACITY AND ADMINISTRATIVE SIMPLIFICATION (HB 179, Chapter 170:7, Laws of 2002)

2:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m. Room 206, LOB Regular Meeting

FRIDAY, JUNE 20, 2003

WORKERS' COMPENSATION ADVISORY COUNCIL (RSA 281-A:62)

9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. Room 306, LOB Regular Meeting

ASSESSING STANDARDS BOARD (RSA 21-J:14-a)

9:30 a.m. NH Department of Revenue Administration, Regular Meeting
Community Services Division in the Training Room

MONDAY, JUNE 23, 2003

ADMINISTRATIVE RULES (RSA 541-A:2)

9:00 a.m. Rooms 306-308, LOB Regular Meeting

OIL FUND DISBURSEMENT BOARD (RSA 146-D:4)

9:00 a.m. Room 305, LOB Regular Meeting

NH DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION (Hollis 13528 Reconstruction of the intersection at Broad Street and NH Route 130 (Ash Street))

7:00 p.m. Hollis Town Hall Combined Public Officials/
7 Monument Square Public Informational Meeting
Hollis, NH

TUESDAY, JUNE 24, 2003

NH DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION (Tilton 13576 US Route 3/NH Route 11 and Clark Road intersection)

7:00 p.m. Winnisquam Middle School Commission Hearing
Cafeteria
76 Winter Street
Tilton, NH

THURSDAY, JUNE 26, 2003

NH DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION (Nashua 13117 Park N Ride, multimodal facility)

7:00 p.m. Nashua City Hall Auditorium Commission Hearing
229 Main Street
Nashua, NH

MONDAY, JUNE 30, 2003

COMMISSION TO STUDY PROBLEMS RELATED TO DELIVERY OF LOCAL ASSISTANCE (HB 1109, Chapter 184, Laws of 2002)

10:00 a.m. Room 301, LOB Regular Meeting

THURSDAY, JULY 17, 2003

ADMINISTRATIVE RULES (RSA 541-A:2)

9:00 a.m. Rooms 306-308, LOB Regular Meeting

FRIDAY, AUGUST 1, 2003

ASSESSING STANDARDS BOARD (RSA 21-J:14-a)

9:30 a.m. NH Department of Revenue Administration, Regular Meeting
Community Services Division in the Training Room

FRIDAY, AUGUST 15, 2003

ASSESSING STANDARDS BOARD (RSA 21-J:14-a)

9:30 a.m. NH Department of Revenue Administration, Regular Meeting
Community Services Division in the Training Room

THURSDAY, AUGUST 21, 2003

ADMINISTRATIVE RULES (RSA 541-A:2)

9:00 a.m. Rooms 306-308, LOB Regular Meeting

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FISCAL NOTE ADDITIONS AND UPDATES HAVE BEEN AMENDED TO THE BILLS ON THE WEB SITE AND ARE AVAILABLE IN THE SENATE CLERK'S OFFICE FOR THE FOLLOWING 2003 SENATE BILLS: 14, 15, 16, 19, 29, 34, 35, 36, 38, 41, 46, 47, 51, 54, 56, 57, 58, 59, 63, 64, 66, 69, 70, 71, 74, 78, 79, 80, 85, 88, 90, 92, 94, 95, 96, 97, 98, 101, 102, 103, 105, 107, 115, 117, 118, 120, 124, 126, 127, 128, 130, 132, 138, 140, 141, 142, 144, 145, 148, 149, 151, 152, 159, 161, 169, 179, 186, 190, 192, 197, 202, 205, 208, 210, 214, 215, 216, 217, 221, 222, 223, 224. HOUSE BILLS: 25, 104, 109, 112, 135, 205, 210, 302, 304, 387, 447, 521, 524, 528, 533, 543, 593, 598, 608, 619, 620, 621, 638, 646, 654, 669, 671, 674, 680, 703, 705, 711, 717, 720, 735, 737, 738, 758, 787, 788, 791, 816, 828

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NOTICES

Copies of the Help America Vote Act of 2002 (HAVA) Preliminary State Plan are available in the Secretary of State's Office for review and comment. The plan is also available on-line at www.state.nh.us/sos/HAVA. The federal Help America Vote Act requires that New Hampshire's citizens have an opportunity to comment on the plan before it is submitted for publication in the Federal Register. Any comments will be welcome, and it will help document your review if you would submit any comments in writing to the Secretary of State's Office, or e-mail them to elections@sos.state.nh.us no later than June 16, 2003.

Senator Robert K. Boyce

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WEDNESDAY, JUNE 11, 2003

Rockingham Park is holding a legislators day on June 11, 2003 from 12:00 – 4:00 p.m. Entrance at Administration Building Gate. Show Legislative ID. All are cordially invited for a barbecue and beverages. Please RSVP to 898-2311 Ext. 297

Senator Lou D'Allesandro

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SENATE SCHEDULE 2003 SESSION

Wednesday, June 18, 2003, 3:00 p.m.	The deadline for committee of conference report sign off.
Friday, July 4, 2003	Independence Day (State Holiday)
Monday, September 1, 2003	Labor Day (State Holiday)
Monday, October 20, 2003	Filing period for legislation to be acted on in the second half of the biennium, beginning January 2004, will commence.
Tuesday, November 11, 2003	Veteran's Day (State Holiday)
Friday, November 14, 2003, 3:00 p.m.	The office of Legislative Services shall not draft a Senate bill or joint resolution, unless a request by a member for drafting with complete information has been received.
Thursday, November 27, 2003	Thanksgiving Day (State Holiday)
Friday, November 28, 2003	Day after Thanksgiving (State Employee Holiday)
Friday, December 19, 2003, 3:00 p.m.	Last day to sign-off legislation for the January 2004 session.
Thursday, December 25, 2003	Christmas Day (State Holiday)

VISITORS CENTER SCHEDULE - JUNE

As a convenience to the members of the NH General Court, the Visitors' Center offers the following schedule of schools and other groups visiting the State House in **June 2003**. These listings will replace individual notifications in an effort to reduce paper usage and to ensure all members will be notified in a timely manner. Our schedule is tightly booked for the remainder of the school year. Please contact the Visitors' Center concerning school tour booking information. Thank you for your continued participation with your School Visitation Program.

Kenneth Leidner, Director

<i>DATE</i>	<i>TIME</i>	<i>GROUP</i>	<i>CLASS/Size</i>
June 9	10:00 & 11:00	Pelham Elementary School	4/50
June 10	10:00 & 11:00	Pelham Elementary School	4/50
June 11	10:00 & 11:00	Pelham Elementary School	4/50
June 12	10:00	Pelham Elementary School	4/25
June 16	10:00 & 11:30	Matthew Thornton School – Londonderry	4/100
June 20	10:30	Superior Court Law Clerks - Manchester	15 Adults
June 23	10:00	Campton/Thornton Seniors	20 Adults
June 24	10:00	Granite State Independent Living Group	20 Adults
June 27	10:30	Pittsfield Area Senior Center	20 Adults
June 27	1:00	Free State Project Group	30 Adults