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SENATE CALENDAR

MEETINGS & NOTICES

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

LAID ON THE TABLE

SB 20, relative to the qualifications for the property tax exemption for the disabled. (Re-referred from 2003) 1/7/04, pending motion committee amendment (2560s), Public Affairs, SJ 1, pg. 24

SB 112-FN-L, relative to state use of domestic steel. (Re-referred from 2003) 1/7/04, pending motion Interim Study, Public Affairs, SJ 1, pg. 24

SB 327, relative to the scope of the administrative review or hearing following suspension or revocation. 2/5/04, pending motion OTP, Judiciary, SJ 4, pg. 57

SB 394-FN, relative to children's product safety. 2/19/04, pending motion Interim Study, Interstate Cooperation, SJ 6, pg. 97

SB 396-FN, relative to farm tractor registrations. 2/19/04, pending motion ITL, Transportation, SJ 6, pg. 104

SB 398, relative to residency requirements for Medicaid recipients in nursing homes. 3/17/04, pending motion OTP, Public Institutions, Health & Human Services, SJ 9, pg. 229

SB 405-FN, relative to standards for comprehensive physical rehabilitation service areas. 3/04/04, pending motion OTP, Public Institutions, Health & Human Services, SJ 7, pg. 133

SB 422-FN, relative to the use of Route 28 in Derry and establishing a penalty for violating weight control designations made by the commissioner of the department of transportation. 2/19/04, pending motion ITL, Transportation, SJ 6 pg. 105

SB 435-FN, relative to accessible housing for persons of all abilities. 2/12/04, pending motion ITL, Executive Departments & Administration, SJ 5, pg. 70

SB 468, relative to solid waste management. 3/17/04, pending motion committee amendment (0822s), Environment, SJ 9, pg. 187

SB 474-L, exempting property owned by a private secondary or postsecondary educational institution from the education property tax. 3/17/04, pending motion OTP, Ways & Means, SJ 9, pg. 218

SB 485-FN, relative to video stalking. 2/12/04, pending motion ITL, Judiciary, SJ 5, pg. 74

SB 486, prohibiting floatplanes on Pickerel Pond. 2/5/04, pending motion ITL, Environment, SJ 4, pg. 60

SB 501, establishing a committee to study a certain parcel of land along the Baker river. 2/5/04, pending motion OTP, Environment, SJ 4, pg. 60

SB 507, establishing a committee to study the application of advanced information technology in certain state agencies. 2/5/04, pending motion ITL, Internal Affairs, SJ 4, pg. 62

SB 516-FN, relative to special needs trusts. 3/04/04, pending motion Interim Study, Judiciary, SJ 7, pg. 126

HB 107, relative to bingo. (Re-referred from 2003) 1/7/04, pending motion OTP, Ways & Means, SJ 1, pg. 24

HB 108, (New Title) relative to the adoption of an optional veterans' property tax credit. (Re-referred from 2003) 1/7/04, pending motion ITL, Ways & Means, SJ 1, pg. 24-25

HB 499, expanding opportunities for teacher certification. (Re-referred from 2003) 1/22/04, pending motion Interim Study, Education, SJ 2, pg. 34

HB 829, relative to ward boundaries in Manchester and Nashua to be used in state elections. **(Re-referred from 2003) 1/22/04, pending motion committee amendment (0068s), Internal Affairs, SJ 2, pg. 37**

HB 1290, (New Title) establishing a study committee to examine time limits on eligibility for Temporary Assistance for Needy Families. **4/01/04, pending motion ITL, Public Institutions, Health & Human Services, SJ 10, pg. 247**

HB 1376, (New Title) relative to agency fees assessed pursuant to public employer collective bargaining agreements. **4/29/04, pending motion OTP, Public Affairs, SJ 14, 363**

HB 1424-FN-A, (New Title) establishing a pharmaceutical study commission to study direct purchasing of prescription medication by the state. **4/22/04, pending motion ITL, Interstate Cooperation, SJ 13, pg. 324**

MEETINGS

MONDAY, MAY 17, 2004

PUBLIC HEALTH AND ENVIRONMENT RELATIONSHIP COMMISSION (HB 1390, Chapter 114:2, Laws of 2000)

10:00 a.m. Room 205, LOB Regular Meeting

NH BRAIN AND SPINAL CORD INJURY ADVISORY COUNCIL (RSA 137-K:2)

2:00 p.m. Room 105-A, SH Regular Meeting

TUESDAY, MAY 18, 2004

COMMISSION TO STUDY CHILD SUPPORT AND RELATED CHILD CUSTODY ISSUES (HB 310, Chapter 277:1, Laws of 2003)

3:00 p.m. Room 206, LOB Regular Meeting

WEDNESDAY, MAY 19, 2004

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

Rescheduled Rooms 210-211, LOB Regular Business

THURSDAY, MAY 20, 2004

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

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

LEGISLATIVE ETHICS COMMITTEE (RSA 14-B:2)

9:30 a.m. Room 105-A, SH Regular Meeting and Public Hearing on Amendments to the Ethics Guidelines and Procedural Rules

FRIDAY, MAY 21, 2004

COMMISSION ON EDUCATION OF DEAF AND HARD OF HEARING PERSONS IN NH (HB 1283, Chapter 43:1, Laws of 2000)

10:00 a.m. Room 103, SH Regular Meeting

COMMISSION TO STUDY THE RIGHT-TO-KNOW LAW (HB 606, Chapter 287:2, Laws of 2003)

10:00 a.m. Room 304, LOB Regular Meeting

NH LONG-TERM CARE INSTITUTE BOARD (RSA 126-L:2)

10:00 a.m. Rooms 210-211, LOB Regular Meeting

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

2:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m. Room 206-208, LOB Regular Meeting

MONDAY, MAY 24, 2004

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

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

FRIDAY, MAY 28, 2004

COMMISSION TO IDENTIFY MEDICAL ERRORS AND THEIR CAUSES (HB 287, Chapter 255:6, Laws of 2003)

Cancelled Room 205, LOB Regular Meeting

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT SYSTEM JOINT LEGISLATIVE OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE (RSA 21-P:51)

1:00 p.m. Room 205, LOB Regular Meeting

TUESDAY, JUNE 1, 2004

COMMISSION ON SETBACK REQUIREMENTS FOR LAND APPLICATION OF SEPTAGE, BIOSOLIDS AND SHORT PAPER FIBERS (SB 87, Chapter 302:1, Laws of 2003)

9:00 a.m. Room 303, LOB Regular Meeting

STATE VETERANS ADVISORY COMMITTEE (RSA 115-A:2, VI)

5:00 p.m. American Legion Post 79 Regular Meeting
35 W Brook St.
Manchester, NH

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 2, 2004

WATER RESOURCES COMMITTEE (RSA 481:1-b)

10:00 a.m. Room 103, SH Regular Meeting

NH DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION (Ossipee-Effingham 13332, Pavement overlay, upgrading existing guardrail & bridge deck replacement along NH 25 from NH 16/ NH 25 interchange east 6.4 miles to the NH 25 / School Street intersection)

7:00 p.m. Ossipee Town Hall Public Officials/
55 Main Street Public Informational Meeting
Ossipee, NH

FRIDAY, JUNE 4, 2004

COMMISSION TO STUDY THE RIGHT-TO-KNOW LAW (HB 606, Chapter 287:2, Laws of 2003)

10:00 a.m. Room 304, LOB Regular Meeting

COMMISSION TO STUDY FINANCIAL EXPLOITATION OF THE ELDERLY AND PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES (HB 461, Chapter 227:2, Laws of 2003)

1:00 p.m. Room 205, LOB Regular Meeting

MONDAY, JUNE 7, 2004

COMMISSION ON SETBACK REQUIREMENTS FOR LAND APPLICATION OF SEPTAGE BIOSOLIDS AND SHORT PAPER FIBERS (SB 87, Chapter 302:1, Laws of 2003)

9:00 a.m. Room 303, LOB Regular Meeting

COMMISSION ON EDUCATION OF DEAF AND HARD OF HEARING PERSONS IN NH (HB 1283, Chapter 43:1, Laws of 2000)

10:00 a.m. Room 103, SH Subcommittee Meeting

WELLNESS AND PRIMARY PREVENTION COUNCIL (RSA 126-M:3)

1:00 p.m. Room 205, LOB Regular Meeting

TUESDAY, JUNE 8, 2004

COMMISSION TO STUDY CHILD SUPPORT AND RELATED CHILD CUSTODY ISSUES (HB 310, Chapter 277:1, Laws of 2003)

3:00 p.m. Room 206, LOB Regular Meeting

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 9, 2004

NH DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION (Conway, 13078 Widening of River Road, provide 4' shoulders for bikes, road surface rehab/drainage improve 500 ft west of intersection Rte 16 approximately 1.5 miles west to intersection of River and West Side Rd.)

7:00 p.m. Conway Police Department Public Officials/Public
39 East Conway Road Informational Meeting
Conway, NH

THURSDAY, JUNE 10, 2004

NH DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION (Londonderry 13015, Alterations to NH Route 128)

7:00 p.m. Londonderry High School Room 221 Public Hearing (Commission)
295 Mammoth Road
Londonderry, NH

FRIDAY, JUNE 11, 2004

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

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

MONDAY, JUNE 14, 2004

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

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

TUESDAY, JUNE 15, 2004

JOINT LEGISLATIVE PERFORMANCE AUDIT AND OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE (RSA 17-N:1)

10:00 a.m. Room 103, SH Regular Meeting

FRIDAY, JUNE 18, 2004

COMMISSION TO STUDY THE RIGHT-TO-KNOW LAW (HB 606, Chapter 287:2, Laws of 2003)

10:00 a.m. Room 304, LOB Regular Meeting

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

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

MONDAY, JUNE 21, 2004

COMMISSION ON EDUCATION OF DEAF AND HARD OF HEARING PERSONS IN NH (HB 1283, Chapter 43:1, Laws of 2000)

10:00 a.m. Room 103, SH Regular Meeting

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 23, 2004

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

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

MONDAY, JUNE 28, 2004

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

1:00 p.m. Room 102, LOB Work Session

NH BRAIN AND SPINAL CORD INJURY ADVISORY COUNCIL (RSA 137-K:2)

2:00 p.m.

Room 105-A, SH

Regular Meeting

MONDAY, JULY 12, 2004**GUARDIAN AD LITEM BOARD (RSA 490-C:1)**

1:00 p.m.

Room 102, LOB

Regular Meeting

WEDNESDAY, JULY 14, 2004**CAPITAL BUDGET OVERVIEW COMMITTEE (RSA 17-J:2)**

9:30 a.m.

Room 201, LOB

Regular Meeting

FRIDAY, JULY 16, 2004**COMMISSION TO IDENTIFY MEDICAL ERRORS AND THEIR CAUSES (HB 287, Chapter 255:6, Laws of 2003)**

1:00 p.m.

Room 205, LOB

Regular Meeting

MONDAY, JULY 26, 2004**GUARDIAN AD LITEM BOARD (RSA 490-C:1)**

1:00 p.m.

Room 102, LOB

Work Session

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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 2004 SENATE BILLS: 126, 128, 205, 301, 303, 312, 313, 324, 325, 326, 329, 331, 333, 338, 347, 348, 353, 361, 365, 366, 367, 375, 376, 381, 383, 384, 388, 396, 397, 401, 407, 409, 411, 413, 414, 415, 419, 422, 424, 429, 430, 432, 433, 435, 436, 442, 444, 448, 450, 454, 469, 470, 471, 473, 478, 481, 485, 490, 491, 494, 495, 498, 500, 503, 504, 505, 508, 509, 510, 511, 512, 515, 516, 518, 523, 525, 532, 534, HOUSE BILLS: 85, 369, 618, 643, 651, 698, 713, 730, 803, 1188, 1162, 1207, 1225, 1241, 1248, 1254, 1276, 1308, 1325, 1348, 1380, 1416, 1426, 1424, 2004

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SENATE BILLS AMENDED BY THE HOUSE

SB 19-FN, (New Title) relative to notification of groundwater contamination and requiring a certain report from the department of environmental services. **(Senate Concurred)**

SB 61, (New Title) relative to collective bargaining units at charter schools and charter conversion schools, and relative to leaves of absence for teachers to accept employment at a charter school. **(Committee of Conference)**

SB 99, relative to high cost mortgage loans. **(Senate Concurred)**

SB 109, adopting the model Drug Dealer Liability Act. **(Committee of Conference)**

SB 128-FN, transferring the bureau of vital records and health statistics from the department of health and human services to the department of state. **(Senate Concurred)**

SB 153, adopting the nurse licensure compact. **(Committee of Conference)**

SB 176, relative to standards for plats recorded in the registry of deeds. **(Senate Concurred)**

SB 199, revising the nurse practice act. **(Committee of Conference)**

SB 207, relative to transactions exempt from the consumer protection act. **(Senate Concurred)**

SB 301-FN, relative to liquor licenses. **(Senate Concurred)**

SB 302-FN-L, making technical corrections to the education funding formula. **(Committee of Conference)**

SB 303-FN, (2nd New Title) eliminating the business profits tax exemption for qualified investment companies and relative to access by the legislative budget assistant to confidential information maintained by the department of revenue administration. **(Senate Concurred)**

SB 312-FN, establishing a state code of ethics. **(Committee of Conference)**

SB 314, relative to access to medical records. **(Senate Concurred)**

SB 316, relative to the payment of salaried employees. **(Senate Concurred)**

SB 317, relative to registration of pesticide applicators and rules of the pesticide control board. **(Committee of Conference)**

SB 324-FN-A-L, relative to the calculation of the commissioner's warrant for the statewide enhanced education tax to be raised by a municipality. **(Senate Concurred)**

SB 329-FN, relative to the recovery by the retirement system of the overpayment of benefit amounts. **(Senate Concurred)**

SB 333-FN, establishing a unique pupil identification system. **(Senate Concurred)**

SB 336-L, relative to certain costs in the development of a high school in the town of Bedford. **(Senate Concurred & Signed by Governor)**

SB 338-FN, relative to the purchase of prior service credit by certain political subdivision employee members. **(Committee of Conference)**

SB 342-FN, relative to payment of utility assessments and relative to regulation of electric generation companies. **(Senate Concurred)**

SB 343, relative to landowner permission for OHRV operation and relative to loading and unloading OHRVs on highways. **(Senate Non-concurred)**

SB 344, relative to the use of gifts and donations to the fish and game department and relative to off highway recreational vehicle fees. **(Senate Concurred)**

SB 348, (New Title) relative to the sale of manufactured housing and the management of manufactured housing parks. **(Senate Concurred)**

SB 351-FN, relative to concurrent enrollment at regional vocational education centers. **(Senate Concurred)**

SB 355, (New Title) relative to the regulation and servicing of portable fire extinguishers and fixed fire extinguishing systems, fire sprinkler systems, and fire alarm and detection systems. **(Senate Concurred)**

SB 357, authorizing municipalities to adopt quarterly billing of taxes. **(Senate Concurred)**

SB 359, relative to construction of buildings on certain pre-existing streets. **(Senate Concurred)**

SB 361-FN-A, (New Title) relative to fees of the postsecondary education commission for preserving certain academic records. **(Senate Concurred)**

SB 366-FN, relative to the Interstate Insurance Product Compact. **(Senate Concurred)**

SB 367, (New Title) relative to the New Hampshire Insurance Guaranty Association Act of 2004. **(Senate Concurred)**

SB 368, relative to reinsurance. **(Senate Concurred)**

SB 370, relative to the insurance rating law. **(Senate Concurred)**

SB 371, relative to certain technical changes in the insurance laws. **(Senate Concurred)**

SB 375, relative to the regulation of physician assistants. **(Senate Concurred)**

SB 376-FN-A, (New Title) relative to pharmaceutical purchases for receiving facilities and nonprofit hospitals. **(Committee of Conference)**

SB 377, relative to damage to land by certain recreational uses. **(Senate Concurred)**

SB 380, establishing a statewide incident command system. **(Senate Concurred)**

SB 381, relative to the transfer of certain capital appropriations within the department of safety. **(Committee of Conference)**

SB 382-FN-L, relative to medical service rates for state prisoners. **(Committee of Conference)**

SB 383-FN, relative to pharmacy benefit management. **(Senate Concurred)**

SB 386, relative to the guardian ad litem board and providing for certification of guardians ad litem. **(Senate Concurred)**

SB 391, (New Title) relative to bond votes in municipalities using chartered official ballot voting procedures and relative to Claremont school district elections. **(Committee of Conference)**

SB 392, relative to criminal responsibility for certain offenses committed by persons 13 years of age or older. **(Senate Concurred)**

SB 397, requiring the department of environmental services to adopt certain rules and to opt out of the reformulated gasoline program. **(Senate Concurred)**

SB 399-FN, relative to the sale of animals. **(Senate Concurred)**

SB 402, relative to an optional retirement annuity benefit for members of the Manchester retirement system. **(Senate Concurred)**

SB 406, relative to adoption procedures. **(Senate Concurred)**

SB 407-FN-L, (New Title) relative to default budgets in the budget adoption procedure in political subdivisions which have adopted official ballot voting. **(Committee of Conference)**

SB 409-FN, revising the vocational school licensing statutes. **(Senate Concurred)**

SB 413-FN, relative to financing federally aided highway projects. **(Committee of Conference)**

SB 414-FN, clarifying the laws relative to municipal impact fees, off-site exactions, vesting of development rights, and waiver of subdivision regulations. **(Senate Concurred)**

SB 415-FN, continuing and expanding to all counties the Grafton county court pilot project relative to abuse and neglect hearings. **(Committee of Conference)**

SB 418, relative to voting procedures in the Hanover school district. **(Senate Concurred)**

SB 421, relative to charter schools. **(Committee of Conference)**

SB 423, relative to confidentiality and workers' compensation. **(Committee of Conference)**

SB 427, relative to the definition of marriage. **(Senate Concurred)**

SB 430-FN, (New Title) relative to mandated insurance benefits and establishing a committee to study the feasibility of mandating that health insurers provide medical loss information to small group employers. **(Senate Concurred)**

SB 432-FN, establishing a division of emergency services, communications, and management, a division of fire standards and training and emergency medical services and a division of fire safety in the department of safety. **(Senate Concurred)**

SB 434, relative to importing prescription drugs from Canada. **(Committee of Conference)**

SB 436-FN-L, relative to the Claremont and Newport district courts. **(Senate Concurred)**

SB 439, relative to probationary drivers' licenses. (4/15/04, HJ 29, p. 1180)

SB 441, relative to the operation of dental clinics by healthcare charitable trusts. **(Senate Concurred)**

SB 442, relative to manufactured housing installation standards. **(Senate Concurred)**

SB 443, relative to rural electric cooperatives. **(Senate Concurred)**

SB 445, relative to the regulation of dietitians by the board of licensed dietitians. **(Senate Concurred)**

- SB 448-FN**, relative to consumer guaranty contracts. **(Senate Concurred)**
- SB 449**, relative to fluoridation of municipally-owned public water systems. **(Committee of Conference)**
- SB 451**, (New Title) giving degree-granting authority to the Hellenic American University and the St. Joseph's School of Nursing. **(Senate Concurred)**
- SB 453**, (New Title) establishing a committee to study the tobacco master settlement agreement revenue stream to the state. **(Committee of Conference)**
- SB 455**, removing the requirement that district courts be open on Saturdays for arraignments. **(Senate Concurred)**
- SB 459**, making certain changes to the real estate practice act. **(Committee of Conference)**
- SB 461**, relative to the regulation of gift certificates under the consumer protection act. **(Committee of Conference)**
- SB 465**, (New Title) relative to testimony of witnesses about confidential settlements. **(Senate Concurred)**
- SB 467**, establishing an exemption from the public sewer connection requirements for 2 projects in the town of Derry. **(Senate Concurred)**
- SB 469**, relative to licensing of boiler inspectors. **(Senate Concurred)**
- SB 470-FN**, relative to funding for the physician effectiveness program. **(Senate Concurred)**
- SB 478-FN**, (New Title) relative to penalties for DWI offenses. **(Committee of Conference)**
- SB 481-FN-L**, (New Title) establishing a sewer and other water-related purposes district for Great Bay. **(Committee of Conference)**
- SB 487**, relative to lead sinkers. **(Senate Concurred)**
- SB 488**, establishing a committee to study the effects of electric utility restructuring on state dams and the alternatives for the operation and maintenance of state-owned dams. **(Senate Concurred)**
- SB 490-FN**, relative to the Help America Vote Act. **(Committee of Conference)**
- SB 493**, (New Title) relative to examination standards for certified public accountants. **(Senate Concurred & Signed by the Governor)**
- SB 494**, (New Title) relative to the prohibition on taking conch and winkles and relative to licensing requirements for taking lobsters and crabs. **(Senate Concurred)**
- SB 495-FN**, relative to original and youth operators' licenses. **(Senate Concurred)**
- SB 496**, relative to the definition of snow traveling vehicle. **(Senate Concurred)**
- SB 498-FN**, relative to the regulation of debt adjustment services. **(Senate Concurred)**
- SB 500-FN**, relative to certain procedures of financial institutions. **(Committee of Conference)**
- SB 503-FN-L**, (New Title) establishing a commission to study the benefit of municipalities using bonds for construction, development, improvement, and acquisition of broadband facilities. **(Senate Concurred)**
- SB 508-FN**, relative to grant-funded programs. **(Committee of Conference)**
- SB 509-FN**, relative to civil recoveries for false claims paid or approved by the department of health and human services. **(Senate Concurred)**
- SB 511-FN**, relative to the penalties for rioting. **(Senate Concurred)**
- SB 520**, (New Title) relative to child support modification and service of divorce petitions. **(Senate Concurred)**
- SB 521-FN**, increasing the penalty for identity fraud. **(Committee of Conference)**
- SB 526**, relative to sexual harassment complaint procedures for public employees. **(Committee of Conference)**
- SB 530**, relative to the duties of public safety responders and the expeditious clearance of a roadway. **(Senate Concurred)**

SB 531, (2nd New Title) eligibility for the veteran's property tax credit, and relative to other optional tax credits. **(Senate Concurred)**

SB 533, relative to licensing requirements for certain recreation and child care programs. **(Committee of Conference)**

SB 534-FN-A, relative to the reorganization of certain functions and duties of state agencies. **(Committee of Conference)**

SCR 5, commending the United States Congress for supporting full concurrent receipt of disability and retirement benefits by disabled veterans. **(Senate Concurred)**

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NOTICES

TUESDAY, MAY 18, 2004

There will be an informational program put on by the Rockingham Area Committee on Aging. This program will give an overview on what the new Medicare bill means to you. There will be staff from HHS to explain where you fit into this newly passed legislation. Date is May 18, 2004 from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

Location will be the auditorium at the Rockingham Nursing Home in Brentwood NH. Light refreshments will be served at this very interesting session. Question and answer session will follow presentation.

Senator John S. Barnes, Jr.

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THURSDAY, MAY 20, 2004

The Legislative Ethics Committee will hold a public hearing on proposed amendments to the Ethics Guidelines and the Procedural Rules of the Legislative Ethics Committee on May 20, 2004, at 9:30 a.m. in State House Room 105-A. The proposed amendments are printed below in their entirety.

Senator Jane E. O'Hearn

Senator Joseph A. Foster

Procedural Rules of the Legislative Ethics Committee

1 Applicability and Definitions.

- I. All business of the legislative ethics committee, created by RSA 14-B, shall be governed by these rules.
- II. As used herein, the following terms shall have the following meanings:
 - (a) "Hearing" is that procedure which follows a statement of formal charges.
 - (b) "Legislative employee" includes all house, senate, and joint staff whether employed on a part-time, full-time, permanent or temporary basis.
 - (c) "Legislative officer" includes those employees of the House and Senate who are elected by members of the General Court.
 - (d) "Legislator" includes representatives and senators.
 - (e) "Proceeding" includes each step taken or which may be taken under these rules with respect to a complaint filed with the committee alleging violation of *law, guideline, rule or regulation and relating to the conduct of an individual in the performance of the individual's duties as* [the ethics guidelines by] a legislator, legislative officer, or legislative employee.

2 Meetings, Conduct of Business, Staff, Quorum, and Disqualification.

- I. The committee may, by vote, establish regular or stated meeting dates. In addition, special meetings of the committee may be called by the chairperson or the vice-chairperson, or at the written request of three members of the committee.
- II. The business of the committee may be transacted by telephone, exchange of correspondence, or other informal poll of members, unless one or more members object; provided, however, that no formal charges shall be instituted or formal proceedings ordered or unfavorable action taken against a legislator except upon deliberation and the affirmative vote of at least four members at a meeting of the committee. ***Any business conducted outside of a meeting shall be ratified at the next meeting of the committee.***
- III. Members of the committee may participate in a meeting of the committee by means of a conference telephone or similar communications equipment by means of which all persons participating in the meeting can hear each other at the same time. Participation by these means shall constitute presence in person at a meeting
- IV. A quorum for the transaction of business by the committee shall be four members. No action of the committee shall be valid unless concurred in by four of its members, except as otherwise provided in these rules.
- V. No member of the committee shall participate in any business in which his or her impartiality might reasonably be questioned.

3 Confidentiality of Proceedings.

- I. Except as provided in this section, all proceedings before the committee, and all information, communications, materials, papers, files and transcripts, written or oral, received or developed by the committee in the course of the proceeding, shall be confidential. No member of the committee or its staff and no employee of the committee shall disclose such proceedings, information, communications, materials, papers, files and transcripts, except in the course of official duty or as otherwise authorized in this section.
- II. ***Except in complaints relating to sexual harassment,*** [A] a legislator, legislative officer, or legislative employee against whom a complaint has been filed may waive his or her right to confidentiality and request the committee to conduct its initial review of the complaint publicly. In such case, all proceedings related to the committee's initial review of the complaint, other than its deliberations, shall be open to the public and the committee shall make available for public inspection all records other than its work product and internal memoranda. The respondent must notify the committee within 7 days of the date on the notice sent by the committee with the complaint of the respondent's decision to waive confidentiality. The committee shall promptly notify the complainant of any waiver of confidentiality and no proceeding may take place prior to 7 calendar days of the date of the notice sent by the committee.
- III. Upon completion of its initial review of a complaint, the committee shall make available for public inspection all records, other than its work product and internal memoranda, relating to any complaint it does not dismiss, and shall conduct any subsequent proceedings, other than its deliberations, in public session.
- IV. ***In the case of complaints alleging sexual harassment, all committee work product and internal memoranda shall be confidential, and all proceedings shall be conducted in nonpublic session. Upon a finding that a member has engaged in sexual harassment, the committee shall make available for public inspection all records relating to the sexual harassment complaint other than its work product, internal memoranda, or any other documentation or information that would be considered confidential under RSA 91-A or any other law, except pursuant to a court order.***
- V. If a legislator, legislative officer, or legislative employee is publicly charged, through independent sources, with involvement in a proceeding before the committee, or publicly charged with conduct likely to become the subject of a proceeding, the committee may, at the request or with the consent of the legislator, legislative officer, or legislative employee involved, issue brief public statements as it deems appropriate in order to confirm or deny the pendency of the proceeding, to clarify the procedural aspects thereof, to explain the right of the legislator, legislative officer, or legislative employee to a fair hearing without prejudice, and to state that the legislator, legislative officer, or legislative employee denies the allegations.

- VI. If the pendency of a proceeding before the committee is generally known to the public, through independent sources, and the subject matter thereof is of broad public interest or speculation, and public confidence in the administration of the ethics guidelines may be threatened because of lack of information concerning the status of the proceeding and the requirements of due process, the committee may, on its own motion, issue brief statements as it may deem appropriate in order to confirm the existence of the investigation, to clarify the procedural aspects of the proceeding, to explain that the legislator, legislative officer, or legislative employee is entitled to due process, and to state that the legislator, legislative officer, or legislative employee denies the allegations.
- VII. If the committee, at any stage of a proceeding, dismisses a complaint or formal charges, whether from insufficiency of the complaint or because there is insufficient cause to proceed further with the matter or for other reason, the committee shall inform the complainant of such disposition. In addition, the committee may, at the request or with the consent of the legislator, legislative officer, or legislative employee concerned, issue a short explanatory statement to the public.
- VIII. If the committee, prior to completion of its initial review, disposes of a complaint by written reprimand or by other informal resolution, it shall inform the complainant that it has taken appropriate remedial action (but shall not disclose the details of such action unless the legislator, legislative officer, or legislative employee complained against so consents).
- IX. This section shall not be construed to prohibit the committee from preparing and releasing to the public materials which are not related to any particular proceeding or situation. Such materials may include explanations of:
 - (a) The jurisdiction of the committee and the limitations upon its powers and authority;
 - (b) The procedure for filing complaints; and
 - (c) The internal procedures of the committee.

In addition, the committee may release periodic statistical reports of its work which do not identify or permit the identification of any person involved in any proceeding before the committee.
- X. Nothing herein shall prevent the committee from responding to unjustified public criticism of a legislator, legislative officer, or legislative employee which is not the subject of a proceeding, and the committee may so respond in appropriate cases upon deliberation and the affirmative vote of at least four members at a meeting of the committee.
- XI. Any violation of these provisions relating to confidentiality shall constitute a violation of RSA 14-B and these rules. The committee may enforce these provisions by appropriate proceedings. The committee may, at the request of the non-violating party or on its own motion, terminate the proceedings with or without public comment. Notwithstanding the provisions of this rule, the committee may disclose to an appropriate law enforcement authority any matter that comes before it.

4 Initial Review of Complaints.

- I. Each complaint shall be submitted in writing and signed under oath by the complainant. The legislator, legislative officer, or legislative employee complained against shall be furnished with a copy of the complaint, and a copy shall be sent to each member of the committee for review.
- II. The committee shall ~~conduct an initial review of each complaint promptly after receipt to ascertain whether the committee has jurisdiction to consider the same under RSA 14-B~~ promptly examine each sworn complaint. If the committee determines by a unanimous affirmative vote that the complaint is frivolous, scurrilous, or retaliatory in nature, the committee may discharge the complaint without the benefit of a meeting or further proceeding, in accordance with paragraph II of section 2 of these rules. The committee shall notify the respondent and complainant in writing of its action.**
- III. The committee shall initiate a complaint on its own motion against any individual the committee determines has not complied with the provisions of RSA 14-B:7, regarding the filing of a financial disclosure form.**
- IV. The committee shall conduct an initial review of each complaint it does not discharge to ascertain whether the committee has jurisdiction to consider the same under RSA 14-B. If it clearly appears on the face of the complaint or from preliminary inquiries by the committee that**

the complaint does not allege conduct on the part of the legislator, legislative officer, or legislative employee which, if established, would be contrary to the law, ethics guidelines, rules or regulations, the committee shall dismiss the complaint, and shall notify the complainant in writing that the matter raised is outside the committee's jurisdiction, assigning the reason therefor.

- V. The committee may invite the legislator, legislative officer, or legislative employee complained against, the complainant, and any other individual or individuals the committee deems appropriate, to appear before the committee to testify or to submit written evidence.
- VI. If the committee determines, upon completion of its initial review, that a complaint is obviously without merit or is obviously unfounded, it shall dismiss the complaint and advise the complainant in writing of such action.
- VII. The committee shall dismiss any complaint arising out of acts or omissions occurring more than two years prior to the receipt of the complaint, and the complainant shall be so advised in writing. However, when the last episode of an alleged pattern of recurring legislative conduct arises within the 2-year period, the committee may consider all prior acts or omissions alleged to be a part of such pattern.
- VIII. Receipt by the committee of a complaint which is repetitive of a prior complaint, whether from the same or a different source, following disposition of the initial complaint, shall be acknowledged, but the committee shall take no further action thereon.
- IX. Any complaint which appears to have merit, but which is defective in some respect so that the committee cannot act thereon, or requires clarification, may be returned to the complainant for clarification and resubmission.
- X. The individual who is the subject of the complaint shall be notified promptly in writing of any action taken by the committee pursuant to this section.

5 Response by Legislator, Legislative Officer, or Legislative Employee.

- I. Except where the complaint has been **discharged or** dismissed pursuant to paragraph II, ~~[H, or]~~ IV, **VI or VII** of section 4 of these rules, the legislator, legislative officer, or legislative employee complained against shall respond in writing to the merits of the complaint within ~~[20]~~ **14** days of the date of the notice sent by the committee. Such response shall be filed with the committee which shall send a copy of the response to the complainant.
- II. In addition to such required response, the legislator, legislative officer, or legislative employee may submit to the committee other relevant materials.

6 Preliminary Investigation.

- I. The committee may order an investigation of any complaint properly before it, upon the affirmative vote of four or more members of the committee taken at a meeting thereof. Such investigation shall be conducted under the direction of the chairperson and in such manner as the chairperson may determine.
- II. In the case of a complaint alleging sexual harassment or retaliation against any person who has made a good faith allegation of sexual harassment, the committee may retain an outside investigator to assist in the investigation. The investigator's duties may include interviewing individuals identified as having personal knowledge of the facts alleged, affording such individuals an opportunity to submit information to the committee, and the collection of evidence relevant to the complaint.**
- III. The legislator, legislative officer, or legislative employee shall be notified of the investigation, and afforded a reasonable opportunity to present such relevant matters as he or she may choose.
- IV. In conducting an investigation, the chairperson **or investigator retained by the committee** may require that any statement or written information furnished to the committee be given under oath or affirmation subject to the penalties for perjury or false swearing in official proceedings pursuant to RSA 641.
- V. **In the case of complaints relating to sexual harassment, the committee shall inform** ~~[P]~~ **persons** contacted for information ~~[shall be informed]~~ of their obligation to maintain confidentiality.

- VI. If the investigation does not disclose sufficient cause to warrant further proceedings, the committee shall dismiss the complaint, and shall promptly notify the legislator, legislative officer, or legislative employee and the complainant in writing of such dismissal. In other cases not thought to merit the presentation of formal charges and hearing, the committee may informally resolve the matter with the consent of the legislator, legislative officer, or legislative employee. Such informal resolution may take the form of written advice or admonishment, the requirement of remedial action, or the imposition of conditions, or any combination thereof. The consent of the legislator, legislative officer, or legislative employee to informal resolution of the matter shall constitute a waiver of his or her right to a hearing.

7 Statement of Formal Charges, Notice of Hearing, and Answer.

- I. If, after preliminary investigation the committee concludes, by the affirmative vote of four or more members taken at a meeting, that formal proceedings should be instituted to inquire into any complaint, it shall prepare and file a formal statement of charges and shall set a time and place of hearing before itself. The committee shall promptly serve the legislator, legislative officer, or legislative employee by registered or certified mail, postage prepaid, with a copy of the formal statement of charges together with a notice of hearing.
- II. The formal statement of charges shall (1) contain a clear summary of the allegations against the legislator, legislative officer, or legislative employee and of the alleged facts forming the basis of such allegations (including facts developed by the investigation), (2) identify and cite those provisions of the law, ethics guidelines, rules or regulations alleged to have been violated, and (3) advise the legislator, legislative officer, or legislative employee of his or her duty to answer as provided in paragraph VI of this section.
- III. The formal statement of charges together with the notice of hearing shall be served on the legislator, legislative officer, or legislative employee at least 21 days prior to the hearing date assigned.
- IV. The notice of hearing shall include the following:
 - (a) the date, time and place of the hearing;
 - (b) the fact that both the committee and the legislator, legislative officer, or legislative employee may be represented by counsel at the hearing, may secure the attendance of witnesses and the production of documents by subpoena, and may examine and cross-examine witnesses;
 - (c) the identity of any special counsel for the committee; and
 - (d) the fact that all further notices concerning the hearing, including any adjournments thereof, shall be given by the chairperson or pursuant to his direction.
- V. The committee shall give notice to the complainant of the date, time and place of the hearing. The complainant shall be entitled to attend the hearing as an observer, and may be required to attend and participate therein as a witness, but shall have no other function or right with respect to the hearing.
- VI. Within 14 days after receipt of the formal statement of charges, the legislator, legislative officer, or legislative employee shall file an answer with the committee, setting forth all denials, affirmative defenses, mitigating circumstances and other matters which the legislator, legislative officer, or legislative employee intends to raise at the hearing. ***The answer shall be in writing and signed by the legislator, legislative officer, or legislative employee.***
- VII. At any time prior to final decision, the committee may allow or require an amendment of the formal statement of charges, and may allow an amendment of the answer. When an amendment is made to the formal statement of charges, whether before or after commencement of the hearing, the legislator, legislative officer, or legislative employee shall be afforded a reasonable opportunity to answer the matters newly charged, as determined by the chairperson, and shall answer such matters within the time allowed. In any such case, the legislator, legislative officer, or legislative employee shall also be afforded a reasonable time, as determined by the chairperson, in which to prepare his or her defense to the matters newly alleged.
- VIII. For good cause shown, the chairperson may extend the time within which the legislator, legislative officer, or legislative employee is required to file his or her answer, and may grant a continuance of the scheduled hearing, but no such extension or continuance shall be for a period longer than 30 days without the concurrence of the committee.

- IX. The committee may terminate the proceeding and dismiss the complaint and formal statement of charges following the answer by the legislator, legislative officer, or legislative employee or at any time thereafter, and shall in that event give notice to the legislator, legislative officer, or legislative employee and the complainant that it has found insufficient cause to proceed.

8 Discovery and Subpoena Powers.

- I. At any time after the filing of a formal statement of charges, the legislator, legislative officer, or legislative employee or his or her counsel shall, upon written request, be entitled, as a matter of course:
 - (a) to obtain the names and addresses of all persons known to the committee to have relevant information;
 - (b) to examine and copy any of the following:
 - (1) statements of the complainant;
 - (2) statements of persons claiming to have knowledge of the acts, omissions or events underlying the formal proceeding;
 - (3) investigative reports made by or for the committee in connection with the proceeding; and
 - (4) any other writing or item which is relevant to the proceeding, or which appears likely to lead to relevant information.
 - (c) anything in this section to the contrary notwithstanding, the committee shall not be required to disclose to the legislator, legislative officer, or legislative employee the identity of any informant who will not be called as a witness in support of the charges, and who has declined to sign a written complaint, unless the alleged misconduct was directed at the informant.
- II. The legislator, legislative officer, or legislative employee shall make available to the committee, as a matter of course, upon the written request of the chairperson, or special counsel, any specified material which would be discoverable in civil proceedings in this state.
- III. Nothing in this section shall authorize access to any information, writing or other item which is privileged by law, or which is protected as an attorney's work product.
- IV. The committee shall have the power to subpoena witnesses, compel their attendance and testimony, and require the production of books, records, documents or other evidence or material deemed relevant to the investigation or hearing. Such subpoena powers may be exercised for the committee by the chairperson or special counsel to the committee.
- V. The subpoena powers of the committee shall be exercised in behalf of the legislator, legislative officer, or legislative employee upon his or her written request or the written request of his or her counsel. ***The chairperson shall determine whether the request is relevant to the investigation or hearing.***

9 Conduct of Hearing.

- I. The hearing shall be open to the public, ***except in the case of complaints alleging sexual harassment or retaliation against persons who have made good faith allegations of sexual harassment.*** The deliberations of the committee shall be conducted in nonpublic session.
- II. The committee may proceed with the hearing at the time and place fixed, whether or not the legislator, legislative officer, or legislative employee has filed an answer or appears for the hearing. The committee may draw an unfavorable inference from the failure of the legislator, legislative officer, or legislative employee to answer or appear; but no such failure, standing alone, shall be sufficient to meet the standard of proof.
- III. A violation of the law, ethics guidelines, rule or regulation must be established by clear and convincing evidence. The legislator, legislative officer, or legislative employee shall not be required to testify or present affirmative evidence in his or her own behalf.
- IV. The legislator, legislative officer, or legislative employee shall be entitled to counsel of his or her choice, and shall have the right to adduce evidence, produce and cross-examine witnesses, and present all relevant arguments.

- V. The committee shall not be bound by the technical rules of evidence, and may admit evidence which it considers to be reliable, material, and relevant. The chairperson shall rule on objections to the receipt of evidence, subject to being overruled by a majority of the committee present at the hearing. The chairperson may defer ruling on an objection to the receipt of evidence, and admit evidence subject to later ruling thereon.
- VI. The hearing shall be recorded verbatim by stenographic, electronic or other means approved by the committee. A free transcript of the hearing shall be provided to the legislator, legislative officer, or legislative employee, who may also tape record the hearing.
- VII. The decision of the committee shall be based solely on the record evidence presented to the committee at the hearing, but shall not be based solely on hearsay evidence. The committee shall exclude from its consideration any information reviewed in earlier stages of the proceeding, unless such information is received in evidence at the hearing so as to become a part of the record.
- VIII. At any time after the hearing is closed but prior to final decision, the committee may reopen the hearing for the taking of additional evidence. The legislator, legislative officer, or legislative employee and the complainant shall be given such notice of any supplemental session as the circumstances may reasonably require.

10 Dispositions Following Hearing.

- I. The committee shall issue its decision within 30 days after the hearing.
- II. If the committee decides that a violation of the law, ethics guidelines, rules, or regulations has not been established, the proceeding shall be dismissed, and the legislator, legislative officer, or legislative employee and the complainant shall be so notified.
- III. If the committee determines, by the affirmative vote of at least four of its members, that there has been a violation of the law, ethics guidelines, rules, or regulations but that the violation is not of a sufficiently serious nature to warrant the imposition of formal discipline by the Legislature, it shall dispose of the matter by informal resolution. Such disposition may take the form of written advice or private admonishment, requirement of corrective action, direction of professional counseling or assistance, imposition of conditions on the specified conduct, or other similar remedial action, or any combination of the foregoing. Prior to deciding upon such disposition, the committee may afford the legislator, legislative officer, or legislative employee an opportunity to meet with it or its designated member or members to discuss the matter. All private admonishments, reprimands and other informal adjustments shall be reduced to writing.
- IV. If the committee determines, by the affirmative vote of at least four of its members, that there was improper conduct based upon clear and convincing evidence and the improper conduct was of a serious nature so as to warrant formal disciplinary action it shall prepare a summary report of the deliberations regarding the complaint and of its findings. The report shall contain any specific recommendations concerning disciplinary actions to be imposed.
 - (a) In cases involving a legislator, or officer of the legislature, the committee shall submit its report to the speaker of the house and senate president. The report may recommend one or more of the following disciplinary actions: reprimand, censure, expulsion, or denial or limitation of any right, power, privilege, or immunity of the legislator that the constitution of New Hampshire permits the general court to deny or limit. Before any disciplinary action may be taken against a legislator or against an officer of the legislature, the report shall be ratified by the legislator's or by the officer's respective body of the general court.
 - (b) In cases involving an employee of the legislature, except in cases involving an employee of the legislature employed by the legislative budget assistant, the committee shall submit its report to the joint committee on legislative facilities. In cases involving an employee of the legislature employed by the legislative budget assistant, the committee shall submit its report to the fiscal committee of the general court. The joint committee on legislative facilities, or the fiscal committee of the general court, shall determine what disciplinary action shall be taken against the employee. In making its determination, the joint committee on legislative facilities or the fiscal committee of the general court as appropriate may use any of the specific recommendations concerning disciplinary actions which are contained in the report which it receives.

- V. Any member who dissents from the determination of the committee may prepare a minority opinion which shall be appended to the report of the committee. The committee shall also prepare a record of the proceeding, which shall include the committee's formal statement of charges, the answer of the legislator, legislative officer or legislative employee, any other pleadings, and a transcript of the hearing. The committee's report shall be filed with the clerk of the appropriate house of the legislature. Contemporaneously with such filing, copies shall be served on the legislator, legislative officer, or legislative employee.

11 Use of Closed Files.

- I. A closed file may be referred to by the committee in subsequent proceedings in the following circumstances:
- (a) Where a complaint or formal charges have been dismissed for any reason or there has been a finding of insufficient cause to proceed, and the subsequent proceeding raises similar allegations against the legislator, legislative officer, or legislative employee or is based upon a similar occurrence or factual situation, the closed file may be used to exonerate the legislator, legislative officer, or legislative employee or may be made a part of the investigation of the new complaint; or
 - (b) Where, after the disposition of a prior proceeding by informal resolution, the legislator, legislative officer, or legislative employee fails to refrain from acting in the manner that caused the prior complaint to be filed and a subsequent complaint is filed alleging similar conduct which is established or proven, the closed file may be used as evidence tending to show that the problem is a continuing one; or
 - (c) Where, following the hearing of subsequent related or unrelated charges, the committee determines that a violation of the law, ethics guidelines, rule or regulation has occurred, the closed file may be referred to in connection with the decision as to the nature of the informal resolution to be imposed by the committee or as to the disciplinary action to be recommended to the Legislature.

Adopted: April 27, 1992

Amended: May 18, 1994

Amended: May 22, 2002

ETHICS GUIDELINES

3 LEGISLATOR'S FINANCIAL DISCLOSURE FORM.

Amend the introductory paragraph to read as follows:

Every representative, ~~[representative-elect,]~~ senator, ~~[senator-elect,]~~ and officer of the House and Senate, shall file with the ~~[Secretary of State]~~ **Legislative Ethics Committee** the following financial disclosure form on or before January 31 of each year.

Amend the last paragraph to read as follows:

Complete and return to the ~~[Office of Secretary of State]~~ **Legislative Ethics Committee** no later than January 31, ____

ETHICS GUIDELINES

4 PROHIBITED ACTIVITIES.

- I. Legislators shall not solicit, accept, or agree to accept anything of value from another for themselves or other persons, if the legislator receives such thing of value:
- (a) Knowing or believing the other's purpose to be the influencing of an action, decision, opinion, recommendation, or other official activity.
 - (b) Knowing or believing that the giver is or is likely to become subject to or interested in any matter or action pending before or contemplated by the giver or another member of the legislature.
 - (c) In return for advice or other assistance relating to a legislator's official activities.
 - (d) In return for introducing legislation, testifying before any legislative committee or state agency, voting in committee or in House or Senate session, or otherwise participating in, influencing, or attempting to influence any decision of the legislature, county delegation or any state agency.

- (e) In return for an endorsement, nomination, appointment, approval or disapproval of any person for a position as, or advancement of, a public servant.
- (f) In return for having given a decision, opinion, recommendation, nomination, vote, or other official activity.

II. ~~[In dealing with state agencies,]~~ **/I/ Legislators shall not:**

- (a) ~~[Provide]~~ **Reveal** information ~~[about a state agency]~~ which the legislator has obtained confidentially in the course of his official activities.
- (b) Reveal information about state agency operations or decisions which the legislator would not reveal to any member of the general public requesting such information.
- (c) Threaten ~~[a state agency or its employees with]~~ reprisals or promise~~[d]~~ inducements of any kind to influence ~~[agency decisions]~~ **another** so as to obtain special personal benefits for the legislator, the legislator's immediate family, or for certain constituents which would not be available to others under similar conditions.
- (d) Conduct private negotiations with ~~[a state]~~ **any governmental** agency in an attempt to obtain a decision on a pending matter which would result in special personal benefit to the legislator, to the legislator's immediate family, or to certain constituents which would not be available to others under similar conditions.

III. Legislators shall not use their public position or office to obtain anything of value for the private benefit of the legislator or the legislator's immediate family.

VI. Legislators shall not engage in conduct that constitutes sexual harassment as defined in RSA 14-B:1.

~~[VI.] VII.~~

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MONDAY, JUNE 7, 2004

The 31st Annual Bill White Memorial Legislative Golf Tournament is scheduled for Monday, June 7, 2004 at Canterbury Woods Country Club, Canterbury, NH. The entry fee for this annual tournament is \$75.00 per person which includes greens fee, cart, barbecue dinner and prizes.

A shotgun start is scheduled for 9:00 a.m. The format is "Captain and Crew".

Sign-up as a foursome or sign-up by yourself in order to be placed in a foursome.

A maximum of 120 players will be allowed. Please note that payment must be made upon registration. There will be no exceptions to this rule!

Return your entry and payment no later than May 20th to Sandy Anderson at the LOB Lobby Desk. Checks should be made payable to Sandy Anderson.

Thomas R. Eaton, Senate President

31th Annual Bill White Memorial Golf Tournament

Canterbury Woods Country Club
Canterbury, NH

Name: 1. _____
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Telephone: _____ Amount Enclosed: _____

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SENATE SCHEDULE 2004 SESSION

Wednesday, May 19, 2004	The deadline for Committee of Conference report sign off at 3:00 p.m.
Monday, May 31, 2004	Memorial Day State Holiday
Thursday, June 17, 2004	Veto Day
Monday, July 5, 2004	Independence Day State Holiday (Taken on Monday)
Monday, September 6, 2004	Labor Day State Holiday
Thursday, November 11, 2004	Veteran's Day State Holiday
Thursday, November 25, 2004	Thanksgiving Day State Holiday
Friday, November 26, 2004	Day after Thanksgiving State Employee Holiday
Friday, December 24, 2004	Christmas Day State Holiday (Taken on Friday)

VISITORS CENTER SCHEDULE - MAY

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 **MAY 2004**. 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 full for the remainder of the year.** 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>
5-17-04	9:00 & 10:15 SH/SC	New Boston Elem	4/80
5-17-04	12:30	Mason Elementary School	4/17
5-18-04	9:30 & 11:00 SH/HM	Interlakes School – Meredith	4/90
5-18-04	10:00	Bartlett Elem - Berlin	3/45
5-19-04	10:00 & 11:00 SH/HM	Little Harbor School – Portsmouth	4/60
5-20-04	9:30 & 11:00 SH/HM	DJ Bakie School – Kingston	4/86
5-21-04	9:00	Bow Elementary School	4/25
5-21-04	10:00	Linwood Elem – Lincoln	4/28
5-21-04	10:30	Wentworth Elem School	3,4,5/30
5-21-04	11:00	Stark Village School	4/7
5-21-04	11:00	St. Mary's School – Claremont	4/16
5-24-04	10:00 & 11:00 SH & ?	Lincoln-Akerman School – Hampton	3&4/45
5-24-04	11:00	Acworth School	4/8
5-24-04	10:00	Russell School – Rumney	4/20
5-25-04	9:30 & 11:00 SH/HM	St. Anthony's School – Manchester	4/50
5-25-04	10:45	Charlestown Primary School	
		Rescheduled From March 17	4/46
5-26-04	10:30 & 12:00 SH/FG	Enfield Village School	4/40
5-26-04	9:00	Fall Mountain High – Langdon	HS/40
5-26-04	10:30	The Well School – Peterborough	4/11
5-27-04	9:00	Andover Elementary	4/34
5-27-04	10:30	Mtn.Shadows School – Dublin	6/8
5-27-04	10:30 & 12:00 SH/FG	Enfield Village School	4/40
5-28-04	9:30 & 11:00 SH/HM	Gossler Park School – Manchester	4/75
5-28-04	12:30	Bethlehem Elementary School	4/22