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SENATE CALENDAR

MEETINGS & NOTICES

THE SENATE IS ADJOURNED TO THE CALL OF THE CHAIR

MEETINGS

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 7, 2004

CLASSIFICATION OF CONSUMER AND DISPLAY FIREWORKS (HB 1326, Chapter 247:6, Laws of 2004)

9:00 a.m. Room 204, LOB Regular Meeting

STATE TRANSPORTATION PLAN FUNDING STUDY COMMITTEE (HB 2004, Chapter 262:3, Laws of 2004)

9:30 a.m. Room 201, LOB Regular Meeting

BOUNDARY COMMISSION (HB 343, Chapter 103:1, Laws of 2003)

10:00 a.m. Room 203, LOB Regular Meeting

OPTIONS FOR REDUCING THE IMPACT OF EXHAUST EMISSIONS FROM DIESEL ENGINES (HB 502, Chapter 18:1, 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

COMMISSION TO STUDY TRANSFERRING THE DIVISION OF PUBLIC WORKS FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION TO A NEW BUREAU OF PUBLIC WORKS IN THE DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES AND REORGANIZING DIVISIONS (SB 534, Chapter 257:32, Laws of 2004)

1:00 p.m. Room 201, LOB Regular Meeting

METHODS OF DISTRIBUTION OF EDUCATION AID UNDER EXISTING LAW (HB 608, Chapter 241:28, Laws of 2003)

1:00 p.m. Rooms 210-211, LOB Regular Meeting

SCHOOL CHOICE IN NEW HAMPSHIRE ISSUE (HB 727, Chapter 204:1, Laws of 2004)

1:00 p.m. Room 207, LOB Regular Meeting

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 8, 2004

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

(NOTE THE TIME CHANGE TO THE FOLLOWING MEETING)

1:00 p.m. Rooms 206-208, LOB Regular Meeting

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 12, 2004

LEGISLATIVE ETHICS COMMITTEE (RSA 14-B:2)

9:00 a.m. Room 105-A, SH Regular Meeting

ASSESSING STANDARDS BOARD (RSA 21-J:14-a) & EQUALIZATION STANDARDS BOARDS (RSA 21-J:14-c)

10:00 a.m. Government Center/NHMA Public Forum
25 Triangle Park
Concord, NH

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

10:00 a.m. NH Department of Education Regular Meeting
Division of Adult Learning & Rehabilitation
21 South Fruit St.
Concord, NH

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

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

LEGISLATOR ORIENTATION (RSA 17-C:2)

1:00 p.m. Room 100, SH Regular Meeting

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 13, 2004**IMPROVING PROCESSES OF JOINT LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE ON ADMINISTRATIVE RULES (HB 230, Chapter 180:1, Laws of 2004)**

9:00 a.m. Room 301, LOB Regular Meeting

LONG RANGE CAPITAL PLANNING AND UTILIZATION COMMITTEE (RSA 17-M:1)

9:30 a.m. Room 201, LOB Regular Meeting

EXOTIC AQUATIC WEEDS AND SPECIES COMMITTEE (RSA 487:30)

10:00 a.m. Room 306, LOB Regular Meeting

PUBLIC HIGHER EDUCATION STUDY COMMITTEE (RSA 187-A:28-a)

10:00 a.m. Room 207, LOB Regular Meeting

COMMITTEE TO STUDY TRANSFERRING THE ADJUDICATORY FUNCTIONS OF OCCUPATIONAL REGULATORY BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS TO AN OFFICE OF ADMINISTRATIVE ADJUDICATIONS (SB 534, Chapter 257:58, Laws of 2004)

11:00 a.m. Room 100, SH Regular Meeting

COMMISSION ON MEDICAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM PROVIDING HOME CARE FOR CHILDREN WITH SEVERE DISABILITIES (HB 1428, Chapter 251:5, Laws of 2004)

1:00 p.m. Room 100, SH Regular Meeting

EFFECTS THAT UTILITY RESTRUCTURING HAS HAD ON THE STATE'S HYDRO-LEASE PROGRAM AND THE STATE DAM MAINTENANCE FUND AND TO STUDY ALTERNATIVES FOR FUNDING THE OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE OF STATE-OWNED DAMS COMMITTEE (SB 488, Chapter 121:1, Laws of 2004)

1:00 p.m. Room 305, LOB Regular Meeting/Work Session

HOME AND COMMUNITY-BASED LONG-TERM CARE SERVICES, IMPROVING DATA COLLECTION AND SERVICE DELIVERY (HB 712, Chapter 44:1, Laws of 2004)

2:00 p.m. Room 100, SH Regular Meeting

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

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 14, 2004**JOINT LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE ON ADMINISTRATIVE RULES (RSA 541-A:2)**

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

BOUNDARY COMMISSION (HB 343, Chapter 103:1, Laws of 2003)

10:00 a.m. Room 203, LOB Regular Meeting

CHARTER SCHOOLS AND OPEN ENROLLMENT LEGISLATIVE OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE (RSA 194-B:21)

10:00 a.m. Room 302, LOB Regular Meeting

ELECTRIC UTILITY RESTRUCTURING LEGISLATIVE OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE (RSA 374-F:5)

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

ISSUES RELATED TO THE PROPERTY TAX EXEMPTION FOR WOODEN POLES AND CONDUITS (HB 1416, Chapter 35:2, Laws of 2004)

10:00 a.m. Room 202, LOB Regular Meeting

UNBUNDLING COMMUNICATIONS SERVICES CHARGES FEASIBILITY STUDY (HB 1316, Chapter 111:8, Laws of 2004)

1:00 p.m. Room 202, LOB Regular Meeting

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 15, 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

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

1:00 p.m. Rooms 206-208, LOB Regular Meeting

MONDAY, OCTOBER 18, 2004

NH LAND AND COMMUNITY HERITAGE AUTHORITY BOARD OF DIRECTORS (RSA 227-M:4)

9:00 a.m. CDFA Board Room Regular Meeting
10 Dixon Avenue
Concord, NH 03301

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 19, 2004

COMMISSION TO STUDY ISSUES RELATIVE TO GROUNDWATER WITHDRAWALS (SB 155, Chapter 305:1, Laws of 2003)

10:00 a.m. Rooms 301-303, LOB Full Committee Meeting

COMMISSION TO STUDY THE BENEFIT OF MUNICIPALITIES USING BONDS FOR CONSTRUCTION, DEVELOPMENT, IMPROVEMENT, AND ACQUISITION OF BROADBAND FACILITIES COMMITTEE (SB 503, Chapter 192:1, Laws of 2004)

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

COMMISSION TO STUDY THE CONSTRUCTION TIME FRAME AND FINANCING FOR THE EXPANSION OF INTERSTATE ROUTE 93 (SB 413, Chapter 220:1, Laws of 2004)

10:00 a.m. Room 201, LOB Regular Meeting

GRAFTON COUNTY COURT PILOT PROJECT LEGISLATIVE OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE (SB 124, Chapter 243:3, Laws of 2002)

1:00 p.m. Room 206, LOB Regular Meeting

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 20, 2004

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

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

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

(NOTE THE TIME CHANGE TO THE FOLLOWING MEETING)

1:00 p.m. Rooms 206-208, LOB Regular Meeting

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 21, 2004

COMMISSION TO STUDY TRANSFERRING THE DIVISION OF PUBLIC WORKS FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION TO A NEW BUREAU OF PUBLIC WORKS IN THE DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES AND REORGANIZING DIVISIONS (SB 534, Chapter 257:32, Laws of 2004)

9:30 a.m. Room 201, LOB Regular Meeting

BOUNDARY COMMISSION (HB 343, Chapter 103:1, Laws of 2003)

10:00 a.m. Room 203, LOB Regular Meeting

PROPERTY TAX RELIEF (HB 1370, Chapter 88:1, Laws of 2004)

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

STATE TRANSPORTATION PLAN FUNDING STUDY COMMITTEE (HB 2004, Chapter 262:3, Laws of 2004)

1:00 p.m. Room 201, LOB Regular Meeting

UNBUNDLING COMMUNICATIONS SERVICES CHARGES FEASIBILITY STUDY (HB 1316, Chapter 111:8, Laws of 2004)

3:00 p.m. Room 202, LOB Regular Meeting

ISSUES RELATED TO THE PROPERTY TAX EXEMPTION FOR WOODEN POLES AND CONDUITS (HB 1416, Chapter 35:2, Laws of 2004)

4:00 p.m. Room 202, LOB Regular Meeting

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 22, 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

MONDAY, OCTOBER 25, 2004

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

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

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

9:30 a.m. Room 205, LOB Regular Meeting

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 26, 2004

COMMISSION TO STUDY LONG-TERM CARE REIMBURSEMENT (SB 376, Chapter 260:22, Laws of 2004)

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

COMMISSION TO STUDY THE CONSTRUCTION TIME FRAME AND FINANCING FOR THE EXPANSION OF INTERSTATE ROUTE 93 (SB 413, Chapter 220:1, Laws of 2004)

10:00 a.m. Room 201, LOB Regular Meeting

COMMITTEE TO STUDY THE REORGANIZATION OF THE DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE ADMINISTRATION (SB 534, Chapter 257:27, Laws of 2004)

1:00 p.m. Room 301, LOB Regular Meeting

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 27, 2004

ESTABLISHMENT OF A FARM VIABILITY PROGRAM (SB 519, Chapter 24:1, Laws of 2004)

9:00 a.m. Room 102, LOB Work Session

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

(NOTE THE TIME CHANGE TO THE FOLLOWING MEETING)

1:00 p.m. Rooms 206-208, LOB Regular Meeting

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 28, 2004

JOINT LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE ON ADMINISTRATIVE RULES (RSA 541-A:2)

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

BOUNDARY COMMISSION (HB 343, Chapter 103:1, Laws of 2003)

10:00 a.m. Room 203, LOB Regular Meeting

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 3, 2004

ESTABLISHMENT OF A FARM VIABILITY PROGRAM (SB 519, Chapter 24:1, Laws of 2004)

9:00 a.m. Room 102, LOB Work Session

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 4, 2004

LEGISLATIVE INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE (RSA 4-D:7)

10:00 a.m. Room 100, SH Regular Meeting

ASSESSING STANDARDS BOARD (RSA 21-J:14-a) & EQUALIZATION STANDARDS BOARDS (RSA 21-J:14-c)

1:30 p.m. Center of NH Expo
LGC/NHMA Conference Radisson Hotel Public Forum
700 Elm St.
Manchester, NH

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 5, 2004

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

1:00 p.m. Room 201, LOB Regular Meeting

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 8, 2004

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

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

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 9, 2004

CAPITAL BUDGET OVERVIEW COMMITTEE (RSA 17-J:2)

9:30 a.m. Room 201, LOB Regular Meeting

COMMISSION TO STUDY LONG-TERM CARE REIMBURSEMENT (SB 376, Chapter 260:22, Laws of 2004)

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

ASSESSING STANDARDS BOARD (RSA 21-J:14-a) & EQUALIZATION STANDARDS BOARDS (RSA 21-J:14-c)

3:00 p.m. Littleton Opera House Public Forum
2 Union St.
Littleton, NH

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, NOVEMBER 10, 2004

MEDICAID PRESCRIPTION DRUG BENEFITS MANAGEMENT PROGRAM LEGISLATIVE OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE (HB 1218, Chapter 281:9, IV, Laws of 2002)

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

JOINT LEGISLATIVE OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE ON SMALL GROUP HEALTH INSURANCE REFORM (SB 110, Chapter 188:13, Laws of 2003)

1:00 p.m. Room 306, LOB Regular Meeting

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 12, 2004

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
57 Regional Dr.
Concord, NH

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 16, 2004

WATER RESOURCES COMMITTEE (RSA 481:1-b)

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

EQUALIZATION STANDARDS BOARD (RSA 21-J:14-c)

1:30 p.m. NH Department of Revenue Administration Regular Meeting
 Community Services Division in the Training Room
 57 Regional Dr.
 Concord, NH

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 19, 2004

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

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

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NOTICES

Members of the General Court and the Public are invited and encouraged to attend the public forums sponsored by the Governor's Commission on Alcohol and Drug Abuse Prevention, Intervention and Treatment in collaboration with the Drug Czars. The Commission will present some of the local grantees that are providing services to the community. Public discussion of the successes, failures and future needs to overcome the problems with alcohol and drug addictions. The following schedule is provided for your convenience to attend one or more of the forums: **All forums are at 7:00 to 8:30 p.m.**

Wednesday, October 20, 2004	Tamworth	St. Andrews Church
Thursday, November 4, 2004	Manchester	To be determined
Wednesday, November 17, 2004	Nashua	Bonhoeffer's Café
		Grace Fellowship Campus

For more information or details, please contact Dorothy Leavitt at 271-5564 or email: dleavitt@dhhs.state.nh.us.

Senator André Martel
 Senator Iris Estabrook

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SENATE SCHEDULE

Tuesday, November 2, 2004	General Election Day
Wednesday, November 10, 2004	Filing period for the 2005 Session starts
Thursday, November 11, 2004	Veteran's Day (State Holiday)
Tuesday, November 16, 2004	New Member Orientation
Wednesday, November 17, 2004	New Member Orientation
Thursday, November 18, 2004	New Member Orientation
Thursday, November 25, 2004	Thanksgiving Day (State Holiday)
Friday, November 26, 2004	Day after Thanksgiving (State Holiday)
Wednesday, December 1, 2004	Organization Day
Wednesday, December 15, 2004, 3:00 PM	Filing period for the 2005 Session closes
Friday, December 24, 2004	Christmas Day (State Holiday)
Friday, December 31, 2004	New Year's Day (State Holiday)

VISITORS CENTER SCHEDULE - OCTOBER

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 October 2004. 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>Grade/Size</i>
Th Oct 7	9:30 & 11:00 SH & HM	School St School – Rochester	4&5/48
F Oct 8	9:00	Canterbury Elem School	4/32
F Oct 8	10:30	Effingham Elementary School	4/25
F Oct 8	1:00	Pleasant St. School – Laconia	4/41
M Oct 11		Columbus Day SH IS OPEN	
Tu Oct 12	9:00	Jolicoeur School – Manchester	HS/12
Tu Oct 12	10 & 11:30 SH & HM	Pollard Elem School – Plaistow	4&5/75
W Oct 13	10 & 11:30 SH & HM	Pollard Elem School – Plaistow	4&5/75
Th Oct 14	9:30 & 11:00 SH & HM	Hillsboro Deering School	4/44
Th Oct 14	11:00	St. Patrick's School – Jaffrey Joining Hillsboro Deering	4/11
F Oct 15	10 & 11:30 SH & SC	Epping Elem School	4/80
F Oct 15	12:45 SH	Washington Elem School	5/25
M Oct 18		HM Closed	
M Oct 18	9:45	New Durham Elementary	4/21
M Oct 18	11:00	Antrim Elementary School	4/38
Tu Oct 19	9:30 & 11:00 SH & HM	Grinnell Elem School – Derry	4/75
Tu Oct 19	12:15 SH	Timberlane High School – Plaistow	10/35
W Oct 20	9:30 & 11:00 SH & HM	Grinnell Elem School – Derry	4/75
Th Oct 21	9:00	Beaver Meadow – Concord	4/24
Th Oct 21	10:30 & 12:00 SH & Planet	Wilkins Elem – Amherst	4/100
F Oct 22	9:00	Beaver Meadow – Concord	4/24
F Oct 22	10:30 & 12:00 SH & Planet	Wilkins Elem – Amherst	4/100
M Oct 25	9:00	Beaver Meadow – Concord	4/24
M Oct 25	11:00 & 12:00 SH & HM	Sandback & Park House Schools – England	HS/100
Tu Oct 26	9:30 & 11:00 SH & HM	Alton Central School	4/58
W Oct 27	9:45 & 11:00 SH & HM	Hooksett Village School	4/100
Th Oct 28	9:45 & 11:00 SH & HM	Hooksett Village School	4/65
F Oct 29	9:30 & 11:00 SH & HM	St Anthony's – Manchester	4/50