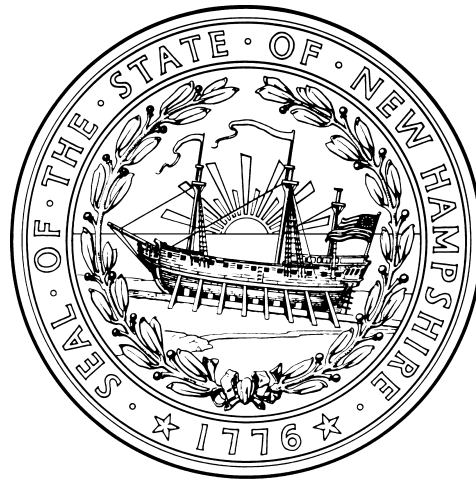


April 19, 2007
No. 17

STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

Web Site Address: www.gencourt.state.nh.us



Legislative

SENATE CALENDAR

REPORTS, AMENDMENTS, HEARINGS,
MEETINGS AND NOTICES

**THE SENATE WILL MEET IN SESSION ON
THURSDAY, APRIL 26, 2007 AT 10:00 A.M.**

LAID ON THE TABLE

SB 89, authorizing the Holden School of Nursing to confer degrees. **2/22/07, pending motion ITL, Education, SJ 6, pg. 80**

SB 96, extending the veterans' property tax credit to all honorably discharged veterans. **3/15/07, pending motion ITL, Public and Municipal Affairs, SJ 8, pg. 112-113**

SB 110, relative to the ban on the sale and use of lead fishing jigs. **2/8/07, pending motion ITL, Wildlife, Fish and Game, SJ 3, pg. 39**

SB 112, relative to recommendations of marital masters. **4/12/07, pending motion Ordering to Third Reading, Judiciary, SJ 12, pg. 288**

SB 120, establishing a commission to study the removal of thimerosal from vaccines. **3/29/07, pending motion ITL, Health and Human Services, SJ 10, pg. 201**

SB 151, relative to drug nuisance abatement. **4/5/07, pending motion ITL, Judiciary, SJ 11, pg. 249**

SB 181-FN-A-L, adding a fee to motor vehicle fines for use by municipalities. **3/22/07, pending motion Committee Amendment (0528s), Transportation and Interstate Cooperation, SJ 9, pg. 175**

SB 203, relative to the use of the English language in writs and other court documents. **4/5/07, pending motion OTP, Judiciary, SJ 11, pg. 250**

SB 218, relative to notice of sale requirements for manufactured housing parks. **4/5/07, pending motion ITL, Commerce, Labor and Consumer Protection, SJ 11, pg. 218**

SB 225-FN-A-L, relative to allowing video gaming in Coos county, building casinos in Berlin and Portsmouth, and establishing a fund to assist with the payment of property taxes. **3/22/07, pending motion ITL, Ways and Means, SJ 9, pg. 177**

SB 227-FN, authorizing land and community heritage investment program donations accompanying motor vehicle registrations. **4/5/07, pending motion OTP, Transportation and Interstate Cooperation, SJ 11, pg. 247**

SB 249-FN, establishing a new position and relative to the realignment of functions in the department of corrections. **3/22/07, pending motion Committee Amendment (0734s), Executive Departments and Administration, SJ 9, pg. 153**

SCR 1, declaring a state of emergency in the town of Dorchester during the March 2006 floods. **2/15/07, pending motion OTP, Public and Municipal Affairs, SJ 4, pg. 61**

HB 87, relative to the exceptions to compulsory school attendance. **4/5/07, pending motion OTP, Education, SJ 11, pg. 232**

HB 146, relative to nicknames on ballots. **4/18/07, pending motion Committee Amendment (1164s), Election Law and Internal Affairs, SJ 13, pg. TBA**

HB 638, relative to lease agreements entered into by the department of transportation. **4/18/07, pending motion Committee Amendment (1240s), Finance, SJ 13, pg. TBA**

REPORTS

COMMERCE, LABOR AND CONSUMER PROTECTION

HB 88, establishing a committee to study single payer health care.

Ought to Pass, Vote 4-1

Senator Cilley for the committee.

HB 89, (New Title) establishing a committee to study dispute resolution between local political subdivisions and public employees in New Hampshire.

Ought to Pass, Vote 4-1

Senator Reynolds for the committee.

HB 169, (New Title) relative to penalties for insurers or adjusters knowingly underestimating the value of an insurance claim.

Ought to Pass, Vote 6-0

Senator DeVries for the committee.

HB 228, relative to the definition of “medical necessity” under the managed care law.

Ought to Pass, Vote 5-0

Senator Barnes for the committee.

HB 334, (New Title) relative to the hours for on-premises sale of alcoholic beverages.

Inexpedient to Legislate, Vote 6-0

Senator Barnes for the committee.

HB 409, relative to liquor licenses for sports recreation facilities.

Ought to Pass, Vote 5-0

Senator Reynolds for the committee.

HB 514-FN-L, relative to the applicable minimum wage for hourly employees.

Ought to Pass, Vote 6-0

Senator Gottesman for the committee.

HB 532, relative to insurance fraud.

Ought to Pass, Vote 4-0

Senator DeVries for the committee.

ENERGY, ENVIRONMENT AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

HB 361, (New Title) relative to certain laws governing public utilities and the proposed acquisition of certain assets and franchises of Verizon by FairPoint.

Ought to pass with amendment, Vote 2-0

Senator Cilley for the committee.

HB 873-FN-L, establishing minimum renewable standards for energy portfolios.

Ought to Pass, Vote 6-0

Senator Fuller Clark for the committee.

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENTS AND ADMINISTRATION

HB 928, relative to the Christa McAuliffe planetarium commission.

Ought to Pass, Vote 4-0

Senator Kelly for the committee.

HB 249, (New Title) relative to preliminary objections to rules made by the joint legislative committee on administrative rules, and relative to extending the study committee on the rules process.

Ought to Pass, Vote 3-0

Senator Cilley for the committee.

JUDICIARY

HB 240, relative to the amount of child support arrearage triggering the denial of a passport.

Ought to Pass, Vote 5-0

Senator Clegg for the committee.

HB 437-FN-L, (New Title) permitting same gender couples to enter civil unions and have the same rights, responsibilities, and obligations as married couples.

Ought to Pass, Vote 3-2

Senator Foster for the committee.

PUBLIC AND MUNICIPAL AFFAIRS

HB 39, repealing the penalty provision in discretionary preservation easements.

Ought to Pass, Vote 3-1

Senator DeVries for the committee.

HB 98, relative to the situation of landfills on land owned by municipalities.
Ought to Pass, Vote 4-0
Senator Barnes for the committee.

HB 257, allowing towns to appoint or elect a town treasurer.
Ought to Pass, Vote 4-0
Senator DeVries for the committee.

AMENDMENT

Energy, Environment and Economic Development
April 19, 2007
2007-1295s
06/01

Amendment to HB 361

Amend the bill by inserting after section 1 the following and renumbering the original sections 2-13 to read as 3-14, respectively:

2 Site Evaluation Committee. Amend RSA 162-H:3 to read as follows:

162-H:3 Site Evaluation Committee. The site evaluation committee shall consist of the commissioner of the department of environmental services or assistant commissioner as designee, the director of the division of water, the commissioner of the department of resources and economic development or the director of the division of economic development as designee, the commissioner of the department of health and human services or one of the 2 most senior administrators within the department responsible for management of public health services as designee, the executive director of the fish and game department, the director of the office of energy and planning *or deputy director as designee*, the director of the division of parks and recreation, the director of the division of forests and lands, the director of the division of air resources, ~~the director of the governor's office of energy and community services or deputy director as designee,~~ the commissioner of the department of transportation or assistant commissioner as designee, the commissioners of the public utilities commission, and a staff engineer designated by the commissioners of the public utilities commission. The commissioner of the department of environmental services shall be chairperson of the committee, and the chairperson of the public utilities commission shall be vice-chairperson.

HEARINGS

FRIDAY, APRIL 20, 2007

FINANCE, Room 100, SH

Sen. D'Allesandro (C), Sen. Janeway (VC), Sen. Larsen, Sen. Hassan, Sen. Sgambati, Sen. Odell, Sen. Gallus

AGENCY PRESENTATIONS ON THE BUDGET

9:00 a.m.	HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES, OFFICE OF THE COMMISSIONER
10:00 a.m.	OFFICE OF MEDICAID AND BUSINESS POLICY
12:00 p.m.	BREAK
1:00 p.m.	DIVISION OF CHILD SUPPORT SERVICES
2:00 p.m.	DCYF
3:00 p.m.	DIVISION OF JUVENILE JUSTICE SERVICES
4:00 p.m.	OPERATIONS SUPPORT & PROGRAM INTEGRITY

MONDAY, APRIL 23, 2007

FINANCE, Room 100, SH

Sen. D'Allesandro (C), Sen. Janeway (VC), Sen. Larsen, Sen. Hassan, Sen. Sgambati, Sen. Odell, Sen. Gallus

AGENCY PRESENTATIONS ON THE BUDGET

9:00 a.m. **BUREAU OF BEHAVIORAL HEALTH**
 10:00 a.m. **BUREAU OF ELDERLY AND ADULT SERVICES**
 12:00 p.m. **BREAK**
 1:00 p.m. **BUREAU OF DEVELOPMENTAL SERVICES**

TUESDAY, APRIL 24, 2007

CAPITAL BUDGET, Room 100, SH

Sen. Hassan (C), Sen. D'Allesandro (VC), Sen. Foster, Sen. Kelly, Sen. Gatsas, Sen. Clegg

10:30 a.m. **HB 25-FN-A**, making appropriations for capital improvements.
EXECUTIVE SESSION MAY FOLLOW

COMMERCE, LABOR AND CONSUMER PROTECTION, Room 102, LOB

Sen. Gottesman (C), Sen. DeVries (VC), Sen. Reynolds, Sen. Cilley, Sen. Barnes, Sen. Roberge

10:15 a.m. **HB 790-FN**, (New Title) relative to dependent coverage for health insurance and establishing the joint legislative oversight committee on insurance expansion initiatives.
 10:30 a.m. **HB 424-FN-A**, relative to industrial hemp and establishing an industrial hemp special program fund.
 10:50 a.m. **HB 727-FN**, (New Title) establishing a commission to study health insurance coverage in the construction industry.
 11:00 a.m. **HB 263-FN**, relative to health insurance riders.
 11:10 a.m. **HB 782-FN**, relative to reinsurance intermediaries and conduct of examinations.
EXECUTIVE SESSION MAY FOLLOW

EDUCATION, Room 103, SH

Sen. Estabrook (C), Sen. Foster (VC), Sen. Fuller Clark, Sen. Kelly, Sen. Bragdon, Sen. Letourneau

8:30 a.m. **HB 46-FN-A-L**, (New Title) making an appropriation to fund kindergarten programs in the towns of Merrimack, Hampstead, Goffstown, and Fremont, and in the Timberlane regional school district.
 8:45 a.m. **HB 911-FN-L**, (New Title) establishing an automated external defibrillator advisory commission.
 9:00 a.m. **HB 556**, relative to school emergency response plans.
 9:20 a.m. **HB 661-FN-A**, establishing an executive planning commission on special education.
EXECUTIVE SESSION MAY FOLLOW

ENERGY, ENVIRONMENT AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, Room 304, LOB

Sen. Fuller Clark (C), Sen. Hassan (VC), Sen. Cilley, Sen. Sgambati, Sen. Barnes, Sen. Odell

(NOTE THE ROOM CHANGE TO THE FOLLOWING HEARINGS)

2:00 p.m. **HB 458**, relative to the exemption of replacement or redundant wells from the large groundwater withdrawal permitting process.
 2:30 p.m. **HB 460**, relative to conservation restrictions to protect public water supplies.
 3:00 p.m. **HB 427**, (New Title) defining construction and demolition debris and certified waste-derived product, and relative to the department of environmental services certifying waste-derived products of the wood component of construction and demolition debris.
 3:30 p.m. **HB 428**, (New Title) prohibiting the combustion of the wood component of construction and demolition debris and defining construction and demolition debris.
EXECUTIVE SESSION MAY FOLLOW

HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES, Room 103, SH

Sen. Estabrook (C), Sen. Sgambati (VC), Sen. Fuller Clark, Sen. Janeway, Sen. Gallus, Sen. Kenney

- 10:15 a.m. **HB 148**, establishing a commission to study pharmaceutical costs and the 340B Drug Pricing Program.
- 10:30 a.m. **HB 926-FN**, relative to the regulation of pharmacies and pharmacists.
- 10:50 a.m. **HB 286-FN**, relative to a Medicaid waiver for family planning services.
- 11:15 a.m. **HB 273-FN**, relative to special needs trusts.
- EXECUTIVE SESSION MAY FOLLOW**

JUDICIARY, Room 103, SH

Sen. Foster (C), Sen. Gottesman (VC), Sen. Reynolds, Sen. Clegg, Sen. Letourneau

- 1:45 p.m. **DEMONSTRATION OF IGNITION INTERLOCKING DEVICE**
- 2:00 p.m. **HB 194**, relative to laboratories conducting alcohol concentration tests.
- 2:30 p.m. **HB 261**, prohibiting the Carroll county attorney from engaging in the private practice of law.
- 3:00 p.m. **HB 187**, (New Title) establishing that sheriffs' departments have sole jurisdiction to enforce civil orders.
- 3:20 p.m. **HB 719**, relative to the statute of limitations for fire code violations.
- 3:45 p.m. **HB 37**, relative to notification requirements for criminal offenders.
- EXECUTIVE SESSION MAY FOLLOW**

PUBLIC AND MUNICIPAL AFFAIRS, Room 101, LOB

Sen. Hassan (C), Sen. Burling (VC), Sen. DeVries, Sen. Sgambati, Sen. Roberge, Sen. Barnes

- 8:30 a.m. **HB 71**, (New Title) prohibiting the sale, rent, lease, transfer, or distribution of records, information, or lists of licensed dog owners in New Hampshire to another person by the town clerk's office.
- 8:40 a.m. **HB 152**, relative to public access to meeting minutes.
- 8:50 a.m. **HB 513**, establishing a housing commission.
- 9:00 a.m. **HB 551**, allowing cities to use capital reserve funds for debt replacement.
- 9:10 a.m. **HB 566-FN-L**, relative to the housing of inmates in county correctional facilities.
- EXECUTIVE SESSION MAY FOLLOW**

WAYS AND MEANS, Room 100, SH

Sen. Odell (C), Sen. D'Allesandro (VC), Sen. Janeway, Sen. Reynolds, Sen. Downing

REVENUE BRIEFINGS

- 8:30 a.m. **DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE**
- 9:30 a.m. **LIQUOR COMMISSION**
- 9:45 a.m. **SECRETARY OF STATE (SECURITIES REGULATION)**
- 10:00 a.m. **INSURANCE DEPARTMENT**
- EXECUTIVE SESSION MAY FOLLOW**

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 25, 2007**ELECTION LAW AND INTERNAL AFFAIRS**, Room 103, SH

Sen. Burling (C), Sen. Cilley (VC), Sen. DeVries, Sen. Gallus, Sen. Letourneau

- 8:30 a.m. **HB 828-FN**, relative to a state ethics officer.
- 8:50 a.m. **HB 523**, (New Title) relative to lobbyist registration and statements, and regulation of volunteer public service.
- 9:30 a.m. **HB 715**, (New Title) establishing a committee to study the state heritage collections committee and the joint legislative historical committee.

9:45 a.m. **HB 32**, (New Title) establishing a commission to study voter registration cards.
EXECUTIVE SESSION MAY FOLLOW

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENTS AND ADMINISTRATION, Room 103, SH

Sen. Burling (C), Sen. Fuller Clark (VC), Sen. Kelly, Sen. Cilley, Sen. Kenney, Sen. Downing

1:00 p.m. **HB 895-FN**, relative to licensure of court reporters.

1:15 p.m. **HB 833**, (New Title) establishing a committee to study the outsourcing of jobs involving state contracts.

1:30 p.m. **HB 543**, establishing a commission to study the licensing process for licensed alcohol and drug counselors.

1:45 p.m. **HB 312-FN**, relative to alternative providers for certain health services.

EXECUTIVE SESSION MAY FOLLOW

FINANCE, Room 100, SH

Sen. D'Allesandro (C), Sen. Janeway (VC), Sen. Larsen, Sen. Hassan, Sen. Sgambati, Sen. Odell, Sen. Gallus

AGENCY PRESENTATIONS ON THE BUDGET

9:00 a.m. **DIVISION OF PUBLIC HEALTH SERVICES**

11:00 a.m. **DIVISION OF FAMILY ASSISTANCE**

12:00 p.m. **BREAK**

1:00 p.m. **DHHS ATTACHED BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS**

2:00 p.m. **NH VETERANS HOME**

2:30 p.m. **VETERANS' COUNCIL**

TRANSPORTATION AND INTERSTATE COOPERATION, Room 101, LOB

Sen. Letourneau (C), Sen. Burling (VC), Sen. Kelly, Sen. DeVries, Sen. Clegg

10:15 a.m. **HB 755-FN**, (New Title) relative to transfers of motor vehicle permits.

10:35 a.m. **HB 547-FN**, relative to the inspection of trucks.

10:55 a.m. **HB 301**, relative to nonresident registration of motor vehicles.

11:15 a.m. **HB 659-FN**, exempting certain motor vehicles manufactured prior to 1941 from vehicle equipment and inspection requirements.

11:35 a.m. **HB 918-FN**, relative to motor vehicle registrations for manufacturers.

EXECUTIVE SESSION MAY FOLLOW

WILDLIFE, FISH AND GAME, Room 103, LOB

Sen. Gallus (C), Sen. D'Allesandro (VC), Sen. Janeway, Sen. Estabrook, Sen. Gatsas

1:00 p.m. **HB 498-FN-A**, dedicating certain OHRV and snowmobile unrefunded road tolls to the fish and game department.

1:15 p.m. **HB 309**, relative to the uniform fine schedule for the fish and game department.

1:30 p.m. **HB 623-FN**, establishing a game management account in the fish and game fund and transferring certain other fish and game accounts into the game management account.

EXECUTIVE SESSION MAY FOLLOW

FRIDAY, APRIL 27, 2007

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENTS AND ADMINISTRATION, Representatives' Hall

Sen. Burling (C), Sen. Fuller Clark (VC), Sen. Kelly, Sen. Cilley, Sen. Kenney, Sen. Downing

10:00 a.m. **HB 876-FN-L**, (New Title) establishing a commission to make recommendations to ensure the long-term viability and sustainability of the New Hampshire retirement system.

- 10:05 a.m. **HB 568-FN**, repealing the option to purchase nonqualified service credit in the New Hampshire retirement system.
- 10:10 a.m. **HB 653**, (New Title) relative to the determination of benefits, funding, and administration of the New Hampshire retirement system.
- EXECUTIVE SESSION MAY FOLLOW**

FINANCE, Room 100, SH

Sen. D'Allesandro (C), Sen. Janeway (VC), Sen. Larsen, Sen. Hassan, Sen. Sgambati, Sen. Odell, Sen. Gallus

AGENCY PRESENTATIONS ON THE BUDGET

- 9:00 a.m. **COMMUNITY TECHNICAL COLLEGE SYSTEM**
- 10:00 a.m. **PLANETARIUM**
- 10:15 a.m. **POLICE STANDARDS AND TRAINING**
- 10:30 a.m. **LOTTERY COMMISSION**
- 11:00 a.m. **DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION**
- 12:00 p.m. **BREAK**
- 1:00 p.m. **DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION**
- 2:00 p.m. **POSTSECONDARY EDUCATION COMMISSION**
- 2:15 p.m. **UNIVERSITY SYSTEM OF NEW HAMPSHIRE**
- 3:15 p.m. **FISH AND GAME DEPARTMENT**

MONDAY, APRIL 30, 2007

FINANCE, Room 100, SH

Sen. D'Allesandro (C), Sen. Janeway (VC), Sen. Larsen, Sen. Hassan, Sen. Sgambati, Sen. Odell, Sen. Gallus

AGENCY PRESENTATIONS ON THE BUDGET

- 9:00 a.m. **DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE**
- 10:00 a.m. **TREASURY**
- 10:30 a.m. **LCHIP**
- 11:00 a.m. **PEASE DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY**
- 11:30 a.m. **GOVERNOR'S COMMISSION ON DISABILITY**
- 12:00 p.m. **BREAK**
- 1:00 p.m. **DEPARTMENT OF SAFETY**

WEDNESDAY, MAY 2, 2007

ELECTION LAW AND INTERNAL AFFAIRS, Room 103, SH

Sen. Burling (C), Sen. Cilley (VC), Sen. DeVries, Sen. Gallus, Sen. Letourneau

- 8:30 a.m. **HCR 3**, urging that New Hampshire members and veterans of the armed forces and national guard and their dependents receive health screening for depleted uranium exposure.
- 8:45 a.m. **HCR 5**, endorsing the National Health Insurance Act.
- 9:00 a.m. **HCR 6**, urging Congress to prevent the implementation of the North American Free Trade Agreement superhighway system.
- 9:15 a.m. **HJR 1**, (New Title) urging that more veterans' mental health counseling centers be established in New Hampshire and urging that funding be continued for the Manchester Veterans' Center.
- 9:30 a.m. **HB 482**, adding the song "Live Free or Die" as an official state song.
- EXECUTIVE SESSION MAY FOLLOW**

FINANCE, Room 100, SH

Sen. D'Allesandro (C), Sen. Janeway (VC), Sen. Larsen, Sen. Hassan, Sen. Sgambati, Sen. Odell, Sen. Gallus

AGENCY PRESENTATIONS ON THE BUDGET

9:00 a.m.	ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES
10:00 a.m.	RETIREMENT SYSTEM
11:00 a.m.	PARI-MUTUEL COMMISSION
12:00 p.m.	BREAK
1:00 p.m.	JUDICIAL BRANCH
2:00 p.m.	DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
3:00 p.m.	DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS
4:00 p.m.	JUDICIAL COUNCIL

TRANSPORTATION AND INTERSTATE COOPERATION, Room 101, LOB

Sen. Letourneau (C), Sen. Burling (VC), Sen. Kelly, Sen. DeVries, Sen. Clegg

10:15 a.m.	HB 753-FN-A , relative to the electronic toll collection transponder inventory fund.
10:35 a.m.	HB 754-FN , repealing the law relative to the Maine-New Hampshire Interstate Bridge Authority.
10:55 a.m.	HB 714-FN , relative to motorized watercraft rental agencies.
11:15 a.m.	HB 188 , excluding certain watercraft from the definition of ski craft.
11:35 a.m.	HB 731 , relative to the use of vehicle information or location tracked by an electronic toll collection system.
11:55 a.m.	HB 247 , (New Title) allowing surviving spouses to retain temporarily special number plates for veterans.
	EXECUTIVE SESSION MAY FOLLOW

FRIDAY, MAY 4, 2007

FINANCE, Room 100, SH

Sen. D'Allesandro (C), Sen. Janeway (VC), Sen. Larsen, Sen. Hassan, Sen. Sgambati, Sen. Odell, Sen. Gallus

AGENCY PRESENTATIONS ON THE BUDGET

9:00 a.m.	LIQUOR COMMISSION
10:00 a.m.	PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION
10:30 a.m.	OFFICE OF INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY
11:30 a.m.	EMPLOYMENT SECURITY
12:00 p.m.	BREAK
1:00 p.m.	DEPARTMENT OF RESOURCES & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT
2:00 p.m.	DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES
3:00 p.m.	REAL ESTATE COMMISSION
3:30 p.m.	BANKING DEPARTMENT
4:00 p.m.	PUBLIC EMPLOYEES LABOR RELATIONS BOARD
4:30 p.m.	DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

TUESDAY, MAY 8, 2007

WAYS AND MEANS, Room 100, SH

Sen. Odell (C), Sen. D'Allesandro (VC), Sen. Janeway, Sen. Reynolds, Sen. Downing

REVENUE BRIEFINGS

8:30 a.m.	ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE OF THE COURTS
8:45 a.m.	LOTTERY COMMISSION
9:00 a.m.	DEPARTMENT OF SAFETY
9:15 a.m.	HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES
9:30 a.m.	TRANSPORTATION
9:45 a.m.	DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND GAME
10:00 a.m.	PARI-MUTUAL COMMISSION
10:15 a.m.	DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

MEETINGS***FRIDAY, APRIL 20, 2007*****JOINT LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE ON ADMINISTRATIVE RULES (RSA 541-A:2)**

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

RIGHT TO KNOW OVERSIGHT COMMISSION (RSA 91-A:11)

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

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

1:00 p.m.	NH Department of Revenue Administration Training Room 57 Regional Drive Concord, NH	Subcommittee Meeting
-----------	----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------	----------------------

MONDAY, APRIL 23, 2007**CAPITAL BUDGET OVERVIEW COMMITTEE (RSA 17-J:2)**

2:00 p.m.	Room 201, LOB	Regular Meeting
-----------	---------------	-----------------

TUESDAY, APRIL 24, 2007**JOINT COMMITTEE ON LEGISLATIVE FACILITIES (RSA 17-E:2)**

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

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

3:00 p.m.	Room 201, LOB	Regular Meeting
-----------	---------------	-----------------

TASK FORCE TO STUDY COUNTY GOVERNMENT (SB 319, Chapter 221:1, Laws of 2006)

6:30 p.m.	Fish and Game DRED Bldg. Rte. 3 Lancaster, NH	Public Forum
-----------	--------------------------------------------------	--------------

THURSDAY, APRIL 26, 2007**TASK FORCE TO STUDY COUNTY GOVERNMENT (SB 319, Chapter 221:1, Laws of 2006)**

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

FRIDAY, APRIL 27, 2007**WORKERS COMPENSATION ADVISORY COUNCIL (RSA 281-A:62)**

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

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

9:30 a.m.	NH Department of Revenue Administration Training Room 57 Regional Drive Concord, NH	Regular Meeting
-----------	----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------	-----------------

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

1:00 p.m.	NH Department of Revenue Administration Training Room 57 Regional Drive Concord, NH	Subcommittee Meeting
-----------	----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------	----------------------

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

12:00 p.m.	Room 102, LOB	Work Session
------------	---------------	--------------

MONDAY, APRIL 30, 2007**INTERAGENCY COORDINATING COUNCIL FOR WOMEN OFFENDERS (RSA 21-H:14-c)**

9:00 a.m.	Room 103, SH	Regular Meeting
-----------	--------------	-----------------

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

9:00 a.m.	Room 307, LOB	Regular Meeting
-----------	---------------	-----------------

COMMISSION TO DEVELOP A COMPREHENSIVE STATE MENTAL HEALTH PLAN (HB 691, Chapter 175:15, Laws of 2005)

9:30 a.m.	Room 205, LOB	Subcommittee Meeting
-----------	---------------	----------------------

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

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

HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE (RSA 126-A:13)

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

TUESDAY, MAY 1, 2007**TASK FORCE TO STUDY COUNTY GOVERNMENT (SB 319, Chapter 221:1, Laws of 2006)**

6:30 p.m.	Hilton Auditorium Rockingham County Nursing Home North Road, Brentwood, NH	Public Forum
-----------	----------------------------------------------------------------------------------	--------------

FRIDAY, MAY 4, 2007**JOINT LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE ON ADMINISTRATIVE RULES (RSA 541-A:2)**

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

MONDAY, MAY 7, 2007**NH COLLEGE TUITION SAVINGS PLAN ADVISORY COMMISSION (RSA 195-H:2)**

10:00 a.m.	NH Higher Education Assistance Foundation 4 Barrel Court Concord, NH	Full Commission
------------	-------------------------------------------------------------------------------	-----------------

FRIDAY, MAY 11, 2007**ASSESSING STANDARDS BOARD (RSA 21-J:14-a)**

9:30 a.m.	NH Department of Revenue Administration Training Room 57 Regional Drive Concord, NH	Regular Meeting
-----------	----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------	-----------------

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

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

MONDAY, MAY 14, 2007

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

1:00 p.m.	NH Department of Revenue Administration Training Room 57 Regional Drive Concord, NH	Regular Meeting
-----------	----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------	-----------------

ESTABLISHING A TASK FORCE TO STUDY TEMPORARY ASSISTANCE TO NEEDY FAMILIES (TANF) (HB 1461, Chapter 247:1, Laws of 2006)

2:00 p.m.	Room 205, LOB	Regular Meeting
-----------	---------------	-----------------

TUESDAY, MAY 15, 2007

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

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

FRIDAY, MAY 18, 2007

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

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

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

10:00 a.m.	Room 102, LOB	Subcommittee Meeting on Training
------------	---------------	-------------------------------------

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

12:00 p.m.	Room 102, LOB Possible Work Session	Regular Meeting and
------------	----------------------------------------	---------------------

FRIDAY, MAY 25, 2007

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

9:30 a.m.	NH Department of Revenue Administration Training Room 57 Regional Drive Concord, NH	Regular Meeting
-----------	----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------	-----------------

MONDAY, JUNE 11, 2007

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

1:00 p.m.	NH Department of Revenue Administration Training Room 57 Regional Drive Concord, NH	Subcommittee Meeting
-----------	----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------	----------------------

* * * * *

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 2007 BILLS.

SENATE BILLS: 35, 55, 65, 68, 74, 76, 90, 93, 103, 113, 122, 126, 128, 129, 138, 145, 146, 148, 163, 166, 168, 169, 172, 176, 179, 183, 184, 186, 200, 204, 205, 206, 210, 213, 217, 219, 223, 224, 225, 226, 232, 233, 240, 242, 243, 249, 255, 257, 260, 263

HOUSE BILLS: 25, 46, 64, 95, 118, 228, 239, 243, 256, 272, 417, 426, 440, 451, 523, 547, 553, 568, 590, 608, 629, 657, 718, 727, 733, 790, 791, 826, 828, 857, 876, 895, 907, 927

* * * * *

NOTICES

NEW SMOKING POLICY

At the Monday, March 12, 2007 meeting of the Joint Legislative Facilities Committee, a new smoking policy was adopted, and reads as follows:

Effective this date, smoking is prohibited in the State House and Legislative Office Building, including all outdoor areas adjacent to these buildings up to the city owned sidewalks, with the exception of the following designated areas:

1. The existing smoking room in the basement of the Legislative Office Building, and
2. The basement and first floor levels of the covered outdoor parking garage located behind the Legislative Office Building

Sylvia B. Larsen, Senate President

SATURDAY, APRIL 21, 2007

Please join us at the NH Fish and Game Department Headquarters, 11 Hazen Drive in Concord, for Discover Wild NH Day, Saturday, April 21, from 10:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. It's a fun filled event for the whole family, with lots to see and even more to do. Try your hand at archery or learn to cast a fishing line. Build a duck box. Tie a fly; learn to find your way with a map and compass, or do a wildlife craft activity. See inside a trout stocking truck, and meet a live falcon! More than 35 exhibitors will be on hand from an array of New Hampshire wildlife, nature and conservation organizations. Free admission. Call (603) 271-3211 or visit www.WildNH.com

Senator John T. Gallus

TUESDAY, APRIL 24, 2007

The 13th annual New Hampshire Clothesline Project will be held on April 24, 2007 from 10 a.m. - 4 p.m. on the State House lawn. On April 25 - 27 from 9 a.m. - 5 p.m. and 6 p.m. - 8 p.m. and on April 28 from 9 a.m. - 5 p.m. the entire display (shirts from 1994 - 2007) will be displayed at Colby Sawyer College, New London, NH in the Mercer Hall Gymnasium.

Senator Martha Fuller Clark

TUESDAY, APRIL 24, 2007

Please join the UNH Masters of Public Health Program and the NH Public Health

Association for the Public Health Grand Round Lecture, "Climate Change and Public Health." on Tuesday, April 24th from 4:30-5:30 p.m. at the UNH Manchester Campus, 286 Commercial Street, Room 7. This lecture will provide an understanding of: (1) What is climate change and why it is occurring; (2) The public health impacts of climate change; and (3) Solutions to address climate change. Light refreshments to be provided.

To register for this free lecture: Complete the on-line registration

form by April 19th at http://www.shhs.unh.edu/hmp/climatechange_regform.html

Senator Iris W. Estabrook

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 25, 2007

On Wednesday, April 25, 2007 the Academy for Science and Design will host a luncheon, in The Meeting Room, at St. Paul's Episcopal Church, located at 21 Center Street, Concord, NH. (Across from the State House) From 12:15 to 1:30 p.m. The program focus is addressing the states and nation's need for more focused science and math education and brings New Hampshire into the 21st century as a competitive science education state. Please RSVP to Carla Proulx at cjproulx@asdnh.org or call (603) 224-0366.

Senator Peter E. Bragdon

FRIDAY, MAY 18, 2007

In recognition of your support, the New Hampshire Law Enforcement Officers Memorial Committee cordially invites you to the 15th Annual New Hampshire Law Enforcement Officers Memorial Ceremony. The Ceremony will be held on Friday, May 18, 2007, beginning promptly at 10:00 a.m., on the memorial site in front of the Legislative Office Building. The Ceremony will proceed rain or shine. Refreshments will be served immediately following the event. Please do not hesitate to contact either Major Timothy J. Acerno of Fish and Game at 603-271-3129 or Chief Timothy Russell of the Henniker Department at 603-428-3213 if you have questions.

Sylvia B. Larsen, Senate President

FRIDAY, JUNE 1, 2007

The 34th Annual Bill White Memorial Legislative Golf Tournament is scheduled for Friday, June 1, 2007 at the Waukegan Golf Course, Meredith, NH. The entry fee for this annual tournament is \$90.00 per person which includes greens fee, cart, barbecue dinner and prizes.

Registration is at 7:30 a.m. and the 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 100 players will be allowed. Please note that payment must be made upon registration. There will be no exceptions to this rule! Cancellation must occur two weeks prior to the tournament date to receive a full fee refund.

Return your entry and payment no later than May 14th to Sandra Anderson at the LOB Lobby Desk. Checks should be made payable to Sandra Anderson.

Sylvia Larsen, President of the Senate

34th Annual Bill White Memorial Golf Tournament

Waukegan Golf Course
Meredith, NH

Name: 1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____

Telephone: _____ Amount Enclosed: _____

Senator Joseph A. Foster
Senator Theodore L. Gatsas

SENATE SCHEDULE

Thursday, May 17, 2007	Deadline for Policy Committees to ACT on all money bills, except bills exempted pursuant to Senate Rule 26(b)
Monday, May 28, 2007	Memorial Day (State Holiday)
Thursday, June 7, 2007	Last day to ACT on all remaining House Bills
Thursday, June 14, 2007	Last day to FORM Committees of Conference
Thursday, June 21, 2007	Last day to SIGN Committee of Conference Reports
Wednesday, June 27, 2007	Last day to ACT on Committee of Conference Reports
Wednesday, July 4, 2007	Fourth of July (State Holiday)
Monday, September 3, 2007	Labor Day (State Holiday)
Monday, November 12, 2007	Veteran's Day (State Holiday)
Thursday, November 22, 2007	Thanksgiving Day (State Holiday)
Friday, November 23, 2007	Day after Thanksgiving (State Holiday)
Tuesday, December 25, 2007	Christmas Day (State Holiday)

* * * * *

THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

SUPREME COURT

In Case No. 2007-0263, Request for an Opinion of the Justices (Recommendations of Marital Masters), the court on April 19, 2007, issued the following order:

The following request of the senate for an opinion of the justices was adopted on April 12, 2007, and filed with the supreme court on April 17, 2007:

SENATE RESOLUTION 1

Whereas, SB 112, "An Act relative to recommendations of marital masters," is presently pending in the senate; and

Whereas, SB 112 provides that "all recommendations of marital masters shall become final unless within 10 days of the date of the clerk's written notice of the recommendation, a party requests that the recommendation be reviewed by a judge;" and

Whereas, part II, article 46 of the New Hampshire constitution states: "All *judicial officers*, the attorney general and all officers of the navy and general and field officers of the militia, *shall be nominated and appointed by the governor and council*; and every such nomination shall be made at least three days prior to such appointment; and no appointment shall take place, unless a majority of the council agree thereto." (emphasis added); and

Whereas, part II, article 73 of the New Hampshire constitution states: "The tenure that all commissioned officers shall have by law in their offices shall be expressed in their respective commissions, and *all judicial officers duly appointed, commissioned and sworn, shall hold their offices during good behavior except those for whom a different provision is made in this constitution*. The governor with consent of the council may remove any commissioned officer for reasonable cause upon the address of both houses of the legislature, provided nevertheless that the cause for removal shall be stated fully and substantially in the address and shall not be a cause which is a sufficient ground for impeachment, and provided further that no officer shall be so removed unless he shall have had an opportunity to be heard in his defense by a joint committee of both houses of the legislature." (emphasis added); and

Whereas, in Opinion of the Justices, 128 N.H. 17 (1986), the New Hampshire supreme court held that marital masters were not judicial officers within the meaning of part I, article 46 of the New Hampshire constitution **In Case No. 2007-0263, Request for an Opinion of the Justices (Recommendations of Marital Masters), the court on April 19, 2007, issued the following order:**

Page Two of Three

because they were neither nominated and appointed by the governor and council, nor enjoyed tenure during good behavior, and that such masters “are authorized to make recommendations, which, though normally approved, have no binding force upon the court;” and

Whereas, in Witte v. Justices of the N.H. Superior Court, 831 F.2d 362 (1987), the United States Court of Appeals for the First Circuit held that marital masters in New Hampshire “have no inherent power, but rather derive all their power from the appointing judge or from the agreement of the parties;” and

Whereas, in 2005, 177:14 (later codified as RSA 490-D:7), the legislature provided that henceforth the administrative judge of the judicial branch family division shall submit to the governor the name of a marital master nominee, and that upon acceptance by the governor, such nominee would be submitted to the executive council for confirmation, *see* RSA 490-D:7, II, but that once confirmed such new marital master is appointed for a specific term, *see* RSA 490-D:7, III; *see also* Super. Crt. Admin. R. 12-6; and

Whereas, a public hearing was held before the senate judiciary committee on SB 112, and the bill was reported out of committee with a recommendation of ought to pass and, upon second reading before the senate, was laid upon the table because a question has been raised concerning whether only the opportunity for review by a judge of a recommendation of a marital master is in any way contrary to the New Hampshire constitution; and

Whereas, SB 112 raises an important question of law awaiting further consideration and action in the New Hampshire senate; now therefore, be it

Resolved by the Senate:

That, pursuant to part II, article 74 of the New Hampshire constitution, the justices of the supreme court be respectfully requested to give their opinion as expeditiously as possible on the following questions of law:

1. Would the enactment of SB 112, authorizing all recommendations of marital masters to become final within 10 days of the date of the clerk’s written notice of the recommendation unless a party requests that the recommendation be reviewed by a judge, as applied to recommendations of marital masters in both the judicial branch family division and in the superior **In Case No. 2007-0263, Request for an Opinion of the Justices (Recommendations of Marital Masters)**, the court on April 19, 2007, issued the following order:

Page Three of Three

court, violate the requirements of part II, article 46 and/or part II, article 73 of the New Hampshire constitution?

2. Would the enactment of SB 112 violate any other provision of the New Hampshire constitution?

That the clerk of the senate transmit copies of this resolution and SB 112 as recommended ought to pass by the senate judiciary committee, to the justices of the New Hampshire supreme court.

Typewritten memoranda on the questions presented by the request may be furnished by any legislator, attorney, organization, interested party, or member of the public on or before May 11, 2007. An original and eight copies of any memorandum must be filed with the clerk’s office.

This order is entered by a single justice (Galway, J.). See Rule 21(7).

**Eileen Fox,
Clerk**

Distribution:

Sylvia B. Larsen, Senate President

Jeffrey A. Meyers, Esquire

File

VISITORS CENTER SCHEDULE - APRIL

State House Visitation Schedule 2007

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 Apr. 2007. These listings are to ensure all members be notified in a timely manner of visitors from their district. Please note that schools may schedule and reschedule, therefore you may contact the Visitor Center to check on updates. 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.

Virginia J. Drew, Director
Caitlin A. Daniuk, Public Information Administrator

<i>DATE</i>	<i>TIME</i>	<i>GROUP</i>	<i>CLASS/Size</i>
Apr. 20	9:30/11:00 SH/SC	Henry W. Moore School – Candia	4/50
Apr. 20	12:00	Fuller School – Keene	4/40
Apr. 23	10:00	Laconia Elder Friendship Club	Adult/30
Apr. 23	1:00	Kids for Democracy – Manchester & Merrimack	(7-15yrs)/9
Apr. 24	9:30/11:00 SH/HM	Towle Elementary School – Newport	4/90
Apr. 24	12:30	Girl Scout Troop & Home School Group – Derry	7/10
Apr. 25	9:30/11:00 SH/HM	Canaan Elementary School	3&4/90
Apr. 25	12:00	Hinsdale Elementary School	4/40
Apr. 25	1:00	Children's Place in Concord	Children/15
Apr. 26	9:30	Cub Scouts – Keene	12
Apr. 26	10:00/11:30 SH/HM	Seminary Hill Elementary School – Lebanon	4/60
Apr. 26	12:00	Seminary Students	Adult/25
Apr. 27	10:00	Enfield Village School	4/42
Apr. 27	11:00/12:00	Maple Ave. School – Claremont	4/60
Apr. 30	9:30/11:00 SH/SC	Lancaster Elementary School	4/57