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SENATE CALENDAR

**THE SENATE WILL MEET IN SESSION ON
THURSDAY, MAY 21, 2015 AT 10:00 A.M.**

VETO MESSAGE

May 8, 2015

Governor's Veto Message Regarding Senate Bill 101

By the authority vested in me, pursuant to part II, Article 44 of the New Hampshire Constitution, on May 8, 2015, I have vetoed Senate Bill 101, an act prohibiting the state from requiring implementation of Common Core standards.

New Hampshire's economic competitiveness depends on our ongoing commitment to ensuring that our students and workers have the skills needed to compete in the future. Senate Bill 101 serves no real function as it prohibits non-existent requirements. But allowing it to become law would have real and lasting consequences to New Hampshire's economic competitiveness by sending a damaging signal that our state is not committed to the education standards necessary to prepare a 21st century workforce. That is why the business community and the education community joined together to oppose this legislation. The New Hampshire Business and Industry Association has called for a veto, writing "SB101 undermines New Hampshire's commitment to higher educational standards and sends a message mediocre is okay."

No school district is required to implement Common Core under current New Hampshire law, thus there is no need to pass a law exempting districts from compliance. School districts are already well aware that they have such a choice. In fact, Manchester underwent an extensive process to write its own standards. At the end of the day, Manchester ended up with standards that are quite similar to the Common Core standards, reflecting that Common Core is a common-sense framework – developed from the ground up in a bipartisan process led by Governors and Chief School Officers – for ensuring that our children are ready for careers and/or college.

Our schools need to prepare our young people to compete in the global, 21st century innovation economy, and college- and career-readiness standards are critical to that effort, which is why Common Core has the support of educators and businesses, and of Republicans and Democrats. As this bill has no practical impact, its purpose appears to be that of sending a message, and it is the wrong message. New Hampshire must be clear that it is committed to developing a 21st century workforce and citizenry, that it welcomes innovation, and that it is modernizing its education system to reflect those values. Legislation like Senate Bill 101 undermines the importance of high standards in education and the work that New Hampshire's Department of Education and Board of Education do every day to ensure that our students are college ready and prepared to enter the workforce. It also undermines similar locally led efforts as well.

Instead of legislation aimed at undermining college- and career-readiness standards like Common Core – we should be focused on continually improving the education we offer our children. This focus should help schools implement new standards effectively and build on New Hampshire's status as a leader in competency-based education. We should be celebrating and building on innovative programs like our groundbreaking Performance Assessment for Competency Education (PACE), a locally managed assessment process. PACE empowers our students and our teachers by reducing the level of standardized testing in favor of more locally managed assessments that will be integrated into a student's day-to-day work, and that improves the effectiveness of project-based 21st century learning.

As we work together to make sure that our students have access to a rigorous education, it is critical that we continue to do so in the New Hampshire way, with local school districts continuing to have the authority, flexibility and responsibility to meet the best interests of their children. And we need to continue to improve outreach so that we can enhance understanding of modern and rigorous standards among all stakeholders and citizens so that we are working together in a rapidly changing economy to prepare our young people for the future.

This legislation is unnecessary and its passage would send a message to the business and education community that New Hampshire does not value high standards in education, standards that will help prepare our future workforce for success in the innovation economy. Therefore, I have vetoed Senate Bill 101.

Respectfully submitted,

Margaret Wood Hassan
Governor

LAID ON THE TABLE

HB 227, relative to eminent domain on public lands. **04/30/2015, pending motion, Inexpedient to Legislate, Public and Municipal Affairs, SJ 12, pg. 359**

HB 276, providing that school districts shall not be required to adopt the common core standards. **05/07/2015, pending motion, Inexpedient to Legislate, Education, SJ 13, pg. 384**

HB 364, relative to renewal fees administered by the office of professional licensing. **04/30/2015, pending motion, OT3rdg, Executive Departments and Administration, SJ 12, pg. 365**

HB 403-FN, repealing the law relative to providing certain parameters for access to reproductive health care facilities. **05/14/2015, No Pending Motion, Judiciary, SJ 14**

HB 411, prohibiting the payment of subminimum wages to persons with disabilities. **04/30/2015, pending motion, OT3rdg, Commerce, SJ 12, pg. 348**

HB 563-FN, relative to funding for chartered public school pupils. **05/14/2015, pending motion, OT3rdg, Education, SJ 14**

HB 658-FN, prohibiting collective bargaining agreements that require employees to join a labor union. **04/30/2015, pending motion, Ought to Pass, Finance, SJ 12, pg. 358**

SB 1-FN-A, reducing the rate of the business profits tax. **03/19/2015, pending motion, OT3rdg, Finance, SJ 9, pg. 203**

SB 2-FN-A, reducing the rate of the business enterprise tax. **03/19/2015, pending motion, OT3rdg, Finance, SJ 9, pg. 203**

SB 6-FN-A, increasing the research and development tax credit against the business profits tax. **02/19/2015, pending motion, OT3rdg, Ways and Means, SJ 6, pg. 81**

SB 34-FN-L, establishing a voluntary tax disclosure program and a tax amnesty program in the department of revenue administration. **03/12/2015, pending motion, Refer to Finance Rule 4-5, Ways and Means, SJ 8, pg. 180**

SB 37, limiting the requirements for live testimony by medical professionals in civil actions. **03/26/2015, pending motion, Committee Amendment 0992s, Judiciary, SJ 10, pg. 303**

SB 42, relative to employee notification of contraceptive coverage. **03/05/2015, pending motion, Ought to Pass, Commerce, SJ 7 pg. 95**

SB 79, relative to appointment of inspectors of election. **02/12/2015, pending motion, Committee Amendment 0107s, Public and Municipal Affairs, SJ 5, pg. 69**

SB 87, relative to wake on a certain area of the Piscataqua River. **02/19/2015, pending motion, Inexpedient to Legislate, Transportation, SJ 6, pg. 82**

SB 95, relative to the authority of the department of state. **03/05/2015, pending motion, Re-refer to committee, Finance, SJ 7, pg. 99**

SB 107-FN, prohibiting collective bargaining agreements that require employees to join or contribute to a labor union. **03/05/2015, no pending motion, Commerce, SJ 7, pg. 97**

SB 130, relative to participation in the immunization registry. **03/19/2015, pending motion, Re-refer to committee, Health and Human Services, SJ 9, pg. 205**

SB 156-FN, prohibiting discrimination against employees who are victims of domestic violence, sexual assault, or stalking. **03/05/2015, pending motion, Ought to Pass, Commerce, SJ 7, pg. 97**

SB 185-FN, extending the New Hampshire health protection program. **03/12/2015, pending motion, Inexpedient to Legislate, Health and Human Services, SJ 8, pg. 168**

SB 196-FN-A-L, appropriating funds to the department of environmental services for the purpose of funding eligible water supply land protection costs under the state aid grant program. **02/12/2015, pending motion, OT3rdg, Energy and Natural Resources, SJ 5, pg. 64**

SB 201-FN-A, increasing the annual limit on the new investment tax credit. **03/05/2015, pending motion, OT3rdg, Ways and Means, SJ 7, pg. 105**

SB 205-FN, relative to the governor's office and the legislature under the electioneering law. **03/12/2015, pending motion, Ought to Pass as Amended, Judiciary, SJ 8, pg. 173**

SB 212-FN, relative to the membership and duties of the juvenile justice advisory board and the Sununu Youth Services Center. **03/12/2015, pending motion, OT3rdg, Health and Human Services, SJ 8, pg. 168**

SB 215-FN-A, establishing an option to rebate the research and development tax credit against business profits taxes. **03/05/2015, pending motion, OT3rdg, Ways and Means, SJ 7, pg. 105**

SB 217-FN, establishing a job creation tax credit against business enterprise taxes. **03/05/2015, pending motion, OT3rdg, Ways and Means, SJ 7, pg. 106**

SB 220-FN-A, establishing a tax amnesty program and making an appropriation therefor. **03/12/2015, pending motion, Inexpedient to Legislate, Ways and Means, SJ 8, pg. 182**

SB 228-FN-L, relative to the maximum total education grant, adjustment of stabilization grants, and adequate education funding for full-day kindergarten pupils. **03/05/2015, pending motion, OT3rdg, Education, SJ 7, pg. 98**

SB 229-FN-A, appropriating funds to the department of environmental services for the purpose of restoring and protecting waters of the southeast watershed in accordance with EPA guidelines. **02/12/2015, pending motion, OT3rdg, Energy and Natural Resources, SJ 5, pg. 65**

SB 233-FN-A, relative to state revenue and expenditures for fiscal year 2015. **03/05/2015, pending motion, Inexpedient to Legislate, Finance, SJ 7, pg. 100**

SB 253, relative to the enactment of ordinances by municipalities permitting an assessment on hotel occupancy for the use of municipal services. **03/26/2015, pending motion, Re-refer to committee, Public and Municipal Affairs, SJ 10, pg. 311**

REGULAR CALENDAR REPORTS

CAPITAL BUDGET

HB 329, relative to a construction project at the state veterans cemetery.
Ought to Pass, Vote 5-0.
Senator Daniels for the committee.

EDUCATION

HB 323, relative to the administration of the statewide assessment program.
Ought to Pass with Amendment, Vote 4-1.
Senator Reagan for the committee.

ENERGY AND NATURAL RESOURCES

HB 233, relative to local approval of mining activity.
Ought to Pass with Amendment, Vote 4-0.
Senator Sanborn for the committee.

HB 451, relative to local approval of mining permits.
Ought to Pass with Amendment, Vote 4-0.
Senator Sanborn for the committee.

HB 614-FN, implementing goals of the state 10-year energy strategy.
Ought to Pass with Amendment, Vote 4-0.
Senator Feltes for the committee.

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENTS AND ADMINISTRATION

HB 455-FN, relative to the board of managers of the New Hampshire veterans' home.
Ought to Pass with Amendment, Vote 5-0.
Senator Carson for the committee.

HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

HB 380, relative to investigations of child day care agencies.
Re-refer to committee, Vote 4-0.
Senator Sanborn for the committee.

HB 483, relative to the commission on primary care workforce issues.
Ought to Pass with Amendment, Vote 3-0.
Senator Sanborn for the committee.

HB 564-FN, relative to prior authorization for certain prescription drugs.
Ought to Pass with Amendment, Vote 3-0.
Senator Kelly for the committee.

HB 628-FN, relative to indemnification of health care facilities under certain circumstances.
Ought to Pass with Amendment, Vote 2-1.
Senator Sanborn for the committee.

JUDICIARY

HB 418, relative to waiver of rights to devised or inherited real property.
Re-refer to committee, Vote 5-0.
Senator Carson for the committee.

HB 468-FN, requiring a warrant to obtain electronic device location information.
Ought to Pass with Amendment, Vote 5-0.
Senator Pierce for the committee.

PUBLIC AND MUNICIPAL AFFAIRS

HB 328, relative to delivery of absentee ballots.
Ought to Pass, Vote 4-1.
Senator Stiles for the committee.

HB 486, authorizing towns and cities to establish special assessment districts.
Ought to Pass with Amendment, Vote 3-1.
Senator Boutin for the committee.

WAYS AND MEANS

HB 180, relative to the definition of "price or consideration" under the real estate transfer tax and relative to the exception for transfers by devise under such tax.
Ought to Pass with Amendment, Vote 5-0.
Senator Feltes for the committee.

AMENDMENTS

Senate Ways and Means
April 14, 2015
2015-1326s
09/04

Amendment to HB 180

Amend the title of the bill by replacing it with the following:

AN ACT relative to the definition of "price or consideration" under the real estate transfer tax, relative to the exception for transfers by devise under such tax, and exempting certain leases from the real estate transfer tax.

Amend the bill by inserting after section 2 the following and renumbering the original section 3 to read as 5:

3 New Paragraph; Real Estate Transfer Tax; Definitions. Amend RSA 78-B:1-a by inserting after paragraph II the following new paragraph:

II-a. "Lease" means a contractually binding agreement that grants a right to exclusive possession of land, buildings, or both, for a fixed or renewable period or periods of time. The term lease also includes any ground leases of unimproved real property whereby the lessee is granted the right to construct improvements on the leased real property.

4 New Paragraph; Real Estate Transfer Tax; Exceptions. Amend RSA 78-B:2 by inserting after paragraph XIX the following new paragraph:

XX. A lease, including any sales, transfers, or assignments of any interest in the leased property, where the term of the lease, including all renewals, is less than 99 years.

2015-1326s

AMENDED ANALYSIS

This bill clarifies that the definition of "price or consideration" under the real estate transfer tax applies only to contractual transfers. The bill also excepts ground leases and transfers by devise or other testamentary disposition, regardless of any consideration paid or obligation assumed by the transferee, from the real estate transfer tax.

Energy and Natural Resources

May 13, 2015

2015-1734s

03/10

Amendment to HB 233

Amend the bill by replacing all after the enacting clause with the following:

1 Duties of Commissioner. Amend RSA 12-E:2, I to read as follows:

I. ***Coordinate***, schedule, and [coordinate] ***facilitate*** a pre-application meeting upon the receipt of a request from a potential permit applicant. ***The pre-application process shall be open to public input upon request of the applicant.***

2 Mining Permit; Local Approval. Amend RSA 12-E:4, IV to read as follows:

IV. Nothing in this chapter shall affect any obligation of the applicant to obtain local approvals required under all applicable, lawful local ordinances not inconsistent with this chapter, whether before or after the issuance of a permit or when a permit is being amended. ***A local ordinance shall not be inconsistent with this chapter unless it attempts to impose a less stringent standard or requirement than those established in this chapter. The applicant shall comply with local zoning ordinances and shall be required to obtain site plan approval under RSA 674:43 if the municipality has given the planning board site plan review authority. This chapter shall not prohibit lawful local ordinances requiring approval of mining that is not subject to this chapter pursuant to RSA 12-E:1, IX(a).***

3 Mining Permit; Application. Amend RSA 12-E:4, VI(h) to read as follows:

(h) Once obtained, a copy of all local, state, and federal permits and approvals required under applicable environmental, ***zoning***, or public health laws for the proposed mining operations.

4 Effective Date. This act shall take effect 60 days after its passage.

Senate Education

April 28, 2015

2015-1465s

04/06

Amendment to HB 323

Amend RSA 193-C:6 as inserted by section 1 of the bill by replacing it with the following:

193-C:6 Assessment Required. Each year, a statewide assessment ***program designed to yield specific data to use in identifying and improving instruction and learning*** shall be administered in all school districts in the state [in grades 3 through 8 and one grade in high school] ***as follows: read-***

ing/language arts in grade 3, mathematics in grade 4, and both reading/language arts and mathematics in grades 6, 8, and 11, or other schedule, if approved through a federal education waiver or law. The New Hampshire department of education shall further develop criteria for an application and approval process that will allow school districts that meet certain readiness criteria to participate in a local system of assessment and accountability. All public school students in the designated grades shall participate in the assessment, unless such student is exempted, or provided that the commissioner of the department of education may, through an agreement with another state when such state and New Hampshire are parties to an interstate agreement, allow pupils to participate in that state's assessment program as an alternative to the assessment required under this chapter. Home educated students may contact their local school districts if they wish to participate in the statewide assessment. Private schools may contact the department of education to participate in the statewide assessment. ***Nothing in this section shall preclude the use of a well established, curriculum-based college readiness examination of academic achievement, such as the College Board SAT as the high school assessment.***

Energy and Natural Resources

May 13, 2015

2015-1735s

08/10

Amendment to HB 451

Amend the bill by deleting section 3 and renumbering the original section 4 to read as 3.

Senate Executive Departments and Administration

May 6, 2015

2015-1596s

09/04

Amendment to HB 455-FN

Amend RSA 119:2 as inserted by section 1 of the bill by replacing it with the following:

119:2 Board of Managers.

I. The government of the home is vested in the board of managers of the New Hampshire veterans' home. The board shall consist of the commanders of the veterans departments of New Hampshire ex officiis, the American Legion, the Veterans of Foreign Wars, the Disabled American Veterans, and [6] **9** citizens of the state to be appointed by the governor with the advice and consent of the council.

II. At least [5] **6** of the appointed citizens shall have served in the armed forces of the United States in any war in which the United States has been, is, or shall be engaged, and who are, or shall be, honorably discharged or separated from the armed forces under conditions other than dishonorable. One appointee shall be a member in good standing of the department of the American Legion, one of the department of the Veterans of Foreign Wars, one of the department of the Disabled American Veterans and [2] **3, including at least one female appointee**, shall be active members of recognized and chartered veterans service organizations[, with preference given to World War I veterans]. [The sixth] **One** appointee shall be a female member in good standing of the department of the American Legion Auxiliary, the department of the Veterans of Foreign Wars Auxiliary, the department of the Disabled American Veterans Auxiliary, or the department of the Veterans of World War I of the U.S.A., Inc. Auxiliary. [One member in good standing of the department of the Veterans of World War I of the U.S.A., Inc., may serve as a member emeritus to the board.] **Two appointees, one of whom shall be male and one of whom shall be female, shall be residents of the veterans' home.**

III. The appointment of a member from an auxiliary organization shall be rotated in the order in which they are listed and each appointed member shall hold office for a [2-year] **5-year** term. The members of the department of the American Legion, the department of the Veterans of Foreign Wars, and the department of Disabled American Veterans shall hold office for a term of [5] **4** years and until a successor is appointed and qualified. The [2] **3** members of recognized and chartered veterans service organizations shall hold office for staggered terms of 3 years each and until a successor is appointed.

IV. In case of any vacancy on the board an appointment shall be made in the same manner for the unexpired term.

Senate Judiciary
May 13, 2015
2015-1727s
04/05

Amendment to HB 468-FN

Amend RSA 644-A:1 as inserted by section 1 of the bill by inserting after paragraph III the following new paragraph and renumbering the original paragraphs IV-IX to read as V-X, respectively:

IV. "Individual" means a natural person.

Amend RSA 644-A:5 and RSA 644-A:6 as inserted by section 1 of the bill by replacing them with the following:

644-A:5 Action Against a Person. This chapter shall not be construed to create a cause of action against a person or its officers, employees, or agents for providing location information to a government entity in accordance with the provisions of this chapter.

644-A:6 Penalties

I. Any individual acting or purporting to act for or on behalf of a federal, state, or local agency who purposely violates this chapter shall be guilty of a class B misdemeanor.

II. An individual or person who is injured as a result of a violation of this chapter may file a civil action against a government entity, individual, or person that fails to comply with the provisions of this chapter.

Health and Human Services

May 12, 2015
2015-1715s
01/04

Amendment to HB 483

Amend the title of the bill by replacing it with the following:

AN ACT relative to the commission on primary care workforce issues and adding rulemaking authority to certain boards.

Amend RSA 126-T:1 as inserted by section 1 by inserting after paragraph XVII the following new paragraph:

XVIII. A pharmacist, appointed by the board of pharmacy.

Amend RSA 126-T:3, IV as inserted by section 2 of the bill by replacing it with the following:

IV. Assembling and including in its [~~annual report~~] **reports**, required under RSA 126-T:4, data on the availability, accessibility, and effectiveness of primary care in New Hampshire, with special attention to such data in rural and underserved areas of the state.

Amend the bill by replacing all after section 2 with the following:

3 Commission on Primary Care Workforce Issues; Reports. Amend RSA 126-T:4 to read as follows:

126-T:4 Reports. The commission shall make an [~~annual~~] **interim** report [~~beginning~~] on November 1, [~~2010~~] **2015, and a final report on November 1, 2019**, including its findings and any recommendations for proposed legislation, to the speaker of the house of representatives, the president of the senate, and the governor.

4 Commission on Primary Care Workforce Issues; Extension. Amend 2010, 114:4, I to read as follows:

I. Section 3 of this act shall take effect November 1, [~~2015~~] **2019**.

5 New Section; Board of Dental Examiners; Rulemaking. Amend RSA 317-A by inserting after section 12 the following new section:

317-A:12-a Completion of Survey; Rulemaking. The board may adopt rules, pursuant to RSA 541-A, requiring, as part of the license renewal process, completion by licensees of a survey provided by the office of rural health, department of health and human services, for the purpose of collecting data regarding the New Hampshire primary care workforce, pursuant to 2010, 114:2.

6 New Section; Board of Nursing; APRNs; Rulemaking. Amend RSA 326-B by inserting after section 9 the following new section:

326-B:9-a Completion of Survey; Rulemaking. The board may adopt rules, pursuant to RSA 541-A, for APRNs only requiring, as part of the license renewal process, completion by licensees of a survey provided by the office of rural health, department of health and human services, for the purpose of collecting data regarding the New Hampshire primary care workforce, pursuant to 2010, 114:2.

7 New Section; Board of Medicine; Physician Assistants; Rulemaking. Amend RSA 328-D by inserting after section 10 the following new section:

328-D:10-a Completion of Survey; Rulemaking. The board may adopt rules, pursuant to RSA 541-A, requiring, as part of the license renewal process, completion by licensees of a survey provided by the office of rural health, department of health and human services, for the purpose of collecting data regarding the New Hampshire primary care workforce, pursuant to 2010, 114:2.

8 New Section; Board of Medicine; Rulemaking. Amend RSA 329 by inserting after section 9-e the following new section::

329-9-f Completion of Survey; Rulemaking. The board may adopt rules, pursuant to RSA 541-A, requiring, as part of the license renewal process, completion by licensees of a survey provided by the office of rural health, department of health and human services, for the purpose of collecting data regarding the New Hampshire primary care workforce, pursuant to 2010, 114:2.

9 New Section; Board of Psychologists; Rulemaking. Amend RSA 329-B by inserting after section 10 the following new section:

329-B:10-a Completion of Survey; Rulemaking. The board may adopt rules, pursuant to RSA 541-A, requiring, as part of the license renewal process, completion by licensees of a survey provided by the office of rural health, department of health and human services, for the purpose of collecting data regarding the New Hampshire primary care workforce, pursuant to 2010, 114:2.

10 New Section; Board of Mental Health Practice; Rulemaking. Amend RSA 330-A by inserting after section 10 the following new section::

330-A:10-a Completion of Survey; Rulemaking. The board may adopt rules, pursuant to RSA 541-A, requiring, as part of the license renewal process, completion by licensees of a survey provided by the office of rural health, department of health and human services, for the purpose of collecting data regarding the New Hampshire primary care workforce, pursuant to 2010, 114:2.

11 New Section; Board of Licensing for Alcohol and Other Drug Use Professionals; Rulemaking. Amend RSA 330-C by inserting after section 9 the following new section::

330-C:9-a Completion of Survey; Rulemaking. The board may adopt rules, pursuant to RSA 541-A, requiring, as part of the license renewal process, completion by licensees of a survey provided by the office of rural health, department of health and human services, for the purpose of collecting data regarding the New Hampshire primary care workforce, pursuant to 2010, 114:2.

12 Effective Date. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

2015-1715s

AMENDED ANALYSIS

This bill extends the commission on primary care workforce issues. This bill adds new members to the commission and clarifies its duties. This bill also adds rulemaking authority to allow as a part of the licensure renewal process for certain health care providers completion of a certain survey.

Public and Municipal Affairs

April 29, 2015

2015-1497s

10/05

Amendment to HB 486

Amend the title of the bill by replacing it with the following:

AN ACT authorizing towns and cities to establish special assessment districts, and relative to voting requirements of the zoning board of adjustment.

Amend the introductory paragraph of section 1 of the bill by replacing it with the following:

1 Purpose. It is the intent and purpose of section 2 of this act to:

Amend RSA 52-A:1, III as inserted by section 2 of the bill by replacing it with the following:

III. "Public facilities" means capital improvements, including but not limited to transportation, sanitary sewer, solid waste, drainage, potable water, communication infrastructure, and parks and recreational facilities that have a life expectancy of 3 or more years.

Amend RSA 52-A:2, I as inserted by section 2 of the bill by replacing it with the following:

I. Consistent with the provisions of this chapter, any town or city may establish special assessment districts for a part of the area of the town or city, within which may be provided public facilities and services from funds derived from service charges, special assessments, or other charges within the special assessment district.

Amend RSA 52-A:4, I(d) as inserted by section 2 of the bill by replacing it with the following:

(d) Designate a representative of the petitioners solely for the purpose of payment of mailing costs under RSA 52-A:5, I.

Amend the bill by inserting after section 2 the following and renumbering the original sections 3 to read as 4, respectively:

3 Power of Zoning Board of Adjustment; Vote. Amend RSA 674:33, III to read as follows:

III. ~~[The concurring]~~ **A majority** vote of [3] **the** members of the board **present and voting** shall be necessary to reverse any action of the administrative official or to decide in favor of the applicant on any matter on which it is required to pass.

2015-1497s

AMENDED ANALYSIS

This bill allows a town or city to establish one or more special assessment districts to provide public facilities and services and for which special assessments and charges may be levied and collected to pay for those public facilities and services.

This bill also modifies the voting requirement on certain matters decided by the zoning board of adjustment.

Health and Human Services

May 12, 2015

2015-1710s

01/09

Amendment to HB 564-FN

Amend the bill by replacing all after the enacting clause with the following:

1 New Subparagraph; Medicaid Managed Care. Amend RSA 126-A:5, XIX by inserting after subparagraph (d) the following new subparagraph:

(e) Thirty days after the effective date of this subparagraph, a managed care organization that provides prescription drug benefits to a Medicaid recipient shall suspend prior authorization requirements for a community mental health program, as defined under RSA 135-C:2, IV on medication used to treat severe mental illness such as schizophrenia, depression, or bipolar disorder. Medications shall be available under this subparagraph without restriction except as otherwise approved by the department.

2 Department of Health and Human Services; Prior Authorization for Certain Prescription Drugs; Oversight Committee on Health and Human Services; Reports Required. The department of health and human services in collaboration with the managed care organizations and community mental health programs shall provide an initial report on or before July 31, 2015 to the oversight committee on health and human services, established in RSA 126-A:13. The report shall focus on a detailed clinical review of policies and procedures that govern the administration of the pharmacy benefit. The report shall identify the necessary revisions required to promote the behavioral health and well being of New Hampshire's citizens being served under Medicaid managed care. Progress reports shall be provided by the department to the oversight committee on or before August 31, 2015 and September 30, 2015, respectively. A final report including findings and any recommendations for proposed legislation shall be provided by the department to the oversight committee on or before November 1, 2015.

3 Repeal. RSA 126-A:5, XIX(e), relative to suspension of certain prior authorization requirements, is repealed.

4 Effective Date.

I. Section 3 of this act shall take effect June 30, 2016.

II. The remainder of this act shall take effect upon its passage.

2015-1710s

AMENDED ANALYSIS

This bill declares that a managed care organization offering prescription drug benefits to Medicaid recipients shall suspend prior authorization requirements for a community mental health program on drugs used to treat mental illnesses.

This bill also requires the department of health and human services to make certain reports to the oversight committee on health and human services.

Energy and Natural Resources

May 13, 2015

2015-1736s

09/10

Amendment to HB 614-FN

Amend the title of the bill by replacing it with the following:

AN ACT implementing goals of the state 10-year energy strategy, modifying uses of the site evaluation committee fund, establishing fees for energy facility evaluation, and relative to public information sessions on proposed energy siting.

Amend the bill by replacing all after the enacting clause with the following:

1 State 10-Year Energy Strategy; Implementation of Goals. Consistent with the goals outlined in the state 10-year energy strategy prepared by the office of energy and planning in accordance with RSA 4-E:1, the public utilities commission and the office of energy and planning shall implement the following:

I. The public utilities commission shall open a docket on electric grid modernization on or before August 1, 2015.

II. The office of energy and planning, with input from the departments of transportation, environmental services, and resources and economic development shall develop and submit to the speaker of the house of representatives and the senate president a report on the status of and the preferred strategy to prioritize further development of public charging corridors, including Interstate 93, Interstate 89 and Interstate 95. The report shall be submitted on or before December 31, 2015.

III. The public utilities commission shall establish an "electricity peak time reduction goal" on or before July 1, 2016.

2 Repeal. RSA 162-H:3, VIII, relative to compensation of public members of the site evaluation committee, is repealed.

3 Energy Facility Evaluation, Siting, Construction and Operation; Administrator and Other Committee Support. Amend RSA 162-H:3-a to read as follows:

162-H:3-a Administrator and Other Committee Support. There is hereby established within the site evaluation committee the position of administrator who shall be an unclassified state employee. In the alternative, the position may be filled by an independent contractor. The administrator shall be hired by and under the supervision of the chairperson. The administrator, or chairperson in the absence of an administrator, with committee approval, may engage additional technical, legal, or administrative support to fulfill the functions of the committee as necessary. Any person to be hired by the administrator shall be approved by the chairperson. ~~[All costs incurred under this section shall be paid from the site evaluation committee fund established in RSA 162-H:21.]~~

4 New Paragraph; Definitions. Amend RSA 162-H:2 by inserting after paragraph VII the following new paragraph:

VII-a. “Energy facility proceeding time and expenses” means time spent in hearings, meetings, preparation, and travel related to any application or other proceeding before the committee concerning an energy facility, either existing or proposed, and related reasonable out-of-pocket expenses.

5 New Section; Site Evaluation Committee; Compensation and Reimbursement. Amend RSA 162-H by inserting after section 21 the following new section:

162-H:22 Compensation and Reimbursement.

I. The public members of the committee shall be compensated for all time spent on committee business, including compensation and reimbursement for energy facility proceeding time and expenses. Compensation shall be provided on a pro rata basis, based upon the daily salary rate of an unclassified position at the initial step in grade FF under RSA 94:1-a, I(a).

II. State agencies represented on the committee shall be reimbursed for energy facility proceeding time and expenses incurred by their respective members or designees, except that time spent for the first 3 full days of their participation with respect to any application or other proceeding concerning an energy facility shall not be subject to reimbursement. The rate of reimbursement to each respective agency shall be based on a pro rata share of the employee’s salary, benefits, and related costs.

III. The department of justice shall be reimbursed in the same manner as described in paragraph II for energy facility proceeding time and expenses that are incurred by the counsel for the public.

IV. All persons or agencies seeking compensation or reimbursement under this section shall keep detailed time and expense records which shall be submitted to the chairperson or administrator and used to determine the amount of compensation or reimbursement. The chairperson or administrator shall develop a recordkeeping system and accounting and payment procedures.

V. Funding for all compensation and reimbursement under this section shall be as provided in RSA 162-H:21.

6 New Paragraph; Energy Facility Evaluation; Enforcement. Amend RSA 162-H:12 by inserting after paragraph IV the following new paragraph:

V. The full amount of costs and expenses incurred by the committee in connection with any enforcement action against a person holding a certificate, including any action under this section and any action under RSA 162-H:19, in which the person is determined to have violated any provision of this chapter, any rule adopted by the committee, or any of the terms and conditions of the issued certificate, shall be assessed to the person and shall be paid by the person to the committee. Any amounts paid by a person to the committee pursuant to this paragraph shall be deposited in the site evaluation committee fund established in RSA 162-H:21.

7 Fund Established; Funding Plan. RSA 162-H:21 is repealed and reenacted to read as follows:

162-H:21 Fund Established; Funding Plan.

I. There is hereby established in the office of the state treasurer a nonlapsing, special fund to be known as the site evaluation committee fund. All application fees and other filing fees received by the committee under 162-H:8-a shall be deposited in the fund. All moneys in the fund shall be continually appropriated to the site evaluation committee and shall only be used, except as provided in paragraph III, to pay for compensation and reimbursements made under RSA 162-H:22 for energy facility proceeding time and expenses.

II. All other operating costs of the committee, including, but not limited to, administrator and other committee support costs under RSA 162-H:3-a and public member compensation and reimbursements that are not paid from the site evaluation committee fund pursuant to paragraph I, except those costs paid by applicants under RSA 162-H:10, shall be funded through appropriations from the general fund.

III. Beginning with the fiscal biennium ending June 30, 2019, if the funds available to the committee to pay the operating costs specified in paragraph I or II are insufficient to permit the committee to pay all such operating costs, then upon request of the committee and approval of the fiscal committee of the general court, the shortfall shall be funded through a transfer from the renewable energy fund established in RSA 362-F:10 to the site evaluation committee fund in an amount not to exceed \$480,000 per fiscal biennium. Any amount transferred but not expended for such shortfall during a biennium shall lapse back to the renewable energy fund at the end of the biennium.

8 New Section; Application and Filing Fees. Amend RSA 162-H by inserting after section 8 the following new section:

162-H:8-a Application and Filing Fees.

I. Except as provided in paragraph IV, a person filing with the committee an application for a certificate for an energy facility, a petition for jurisdiction, a request for exemption, or any other petition or request for the committee to take action, shall pay to the committee at the time of filing a fee determined in accordance with the fee schedule described in paragraph II. If an application for a certificate for an energy facility is deemed incomplete pursuant to RSA 162-H:7, VI, and a new application is submitted thereunder, the unearned portion of the initial application fee shall be refunded to the applicant or credited to the filing of the new application. The committee may in its discretion provide for a credit or refund in other circumstances that are unforeseen by the applicant.

II. The fees under paragraph I shall be determined in accordance with a fee schedule posted by the committee on its website, which shall include the following amounts, subject to subsequent modification under paragraph III:

(a) Application fee for electric generation facilities: \$50,000 base charge, plus:

(1) \$1,000 per megawatt for the first 40 megawatts, and \$1,500 per megawatt for each megawatt in excess of 40 megawatts, for any wind energy system.

(2) \$100 per megawatt, for any natural gas or biomass fueled facility.

(3) \$150 per megawatt, for any coal or oil fueled facility.

(4) \$200 per megawatt, for any nuclear generation facility.

(b) Application fee for transmission facilities: \$50,000 base charge, plus:

(1) \$3,000 per mile, for any electric transmission facility.

(2) \$1,500 per mile, for any natural gas pipeline.

(c) Application fee for other energy facilities: \$50,000 fee.

(d) Filing fees for administrative proceedings:

(1) Petition for committee jurisdiction: \$10,500.

(2) Petition for declaratory ruling: \$10,500, or \$3,000 if heard by a 3-member subcommittee.

(3) Certificate transfer of ownership: \$10,500, or \$3,000 if heard by a 3-member subcommittee.

(4) Request for exemption: \$10,500, or \$3,000 if heard by a 3-member subcommittee.

(5) Request to modify a certificate: \$10,500, or \$3,000 if heard by a 3-member subcommittee.

III. The committee shall review and evaluate the application fees and filing fees in the fee schedule in paragraph II at least once each year. The committee may increase or decrease any amount in the fee schedule by up to 20 percent with prior approval of the fiscal committee of the general court, provided that any such increase or decrease shall occur not more frequently than once during any 12-month period. The committee may increase or decrease any amount in the fee schedule by more than 20 percent with approval of the fiscal committee of the general court, provided that any such increase or decrease shall occur not more frequently than once during any 12-month period. Modifications to the fee schedule shall be posted on the committee website, with a link prominently displayed on the home page.

IV. Notwithstanding paragraph I, a petition for committee jurisdiction filed by a petitioner as defined in RSA 162-H:2, XI(a), (b), or (c) for a certificate for an energy facility shall not be subject to a filing fee. If the committee determines that it has jurisdiction over a proposed energy facility subject to any such petition, then the owner of the proposed energy facility shall be required to pay to the committee the petition for jurisdiction fee, in addition to the application fee determined in accordance with paragraph II for the type and size of the proposed energy facility.

9 Subcommittees. Amend RSA 162-H:4-a, I to read as follows:

I. The chairperson may establish subcommittees to consider and make decisions on applications, including the issuance of certificates, or to exercise any other authority or perform any other duty of the committee under this chapter, except that no subcommittee may approve the budgetary requirements of the committee, ~~[or] approve~~ any support staff positions ~~[paid for through the site evaluation committee fund, propose the funding plan under RSA 162-H:21]~~, or adopt initial or final rulemaking proposals. For purposes of statutory interpretation and executing the regulatory functions of this chapter, the subcommittee shall assume the role of and be considered the committee, with all of its associated powers and duties in order to execute the charge given it by the chairperson.

10 Funding; Transfers. The remainder of the \$500,000 referred to in RSA 162-H:21, II, as enacted by 2014, 217:23, and prior to amendment by section 7 of this act, that was not transferred from the renewable energy fund to the site evaluation committee fund during fiscal year 2015 is hereby transferred. This newly transferred money plus the money that was transferred during fiscal year 2015 but not expended by the site evaluation committee may be budgeted and expended by the committee for any operating cost of the committee, notwithstanding the allowed uses of the fund in RSA 162-H:21, I.

11 Energy Facility Siting; Public Hearings. Amend RSA 162-H:10, I through II to read as follows:

I. At least 30 days prior to filing an application for a certificate, an applicant shall hold at least one public information session in each county where the proposed facility is to be located and shall, at a minimum, publish a public notice not less than 14 days before such session in one or more newspapers having a regular circulation in the county in which the session is to be held, describing the nature and location of the proposed facility. At such session, the applicant shall present information regarding the project and ~~[receive]~~ **provide an opportunity for comments and questions** from the public **to be addressed by the applicant**. Not less than 10 days before such session, the applicant shall provide a copy of the public notice to the chairperson of the committee. The applicant shall arrange for a transcript of such session to be prepared and shall include the transcript in its application for a certificate.

I-a. Within 45 days after acceptance of an application for a certificate, pursuant to RSA 162-H:7, the applicant shall hold at least one public information session **as described in paragraph I** in each county in which the proposed facility is to be located and shall, at a minimum, publish a public notice not less than 14 days before said session in one or more newspapers having a regular circulation in the county in which the session is to be held, describing the nature and location of the proposed facility. Not less than 10 days before such session, the applicant shall provide a copy of the public notice to the presiding officer of the committee. The administrator, or a designee of the presiding officer of the committee, shall act as presiding officer of the information session. The session shall be for public information on the proposed facility with the applicant presenting the information to the public. The presiding officer shall also explain to the public the process the committee will use to review the application for the proposed facility.

I-b. Upon request of the governing body of a municipality or unincorporated place in which the proposed facility is to be located, or on the committee's own motion, the committee may order the applicant to provide such additional **public** information sessions **as described in paragraph I** as are reasonable to inform the public of the proposed project.

I-c. Within 90 days after acceptance of an application for a certificate, pursuant to RSA 162-H:7, the site evaluation committee shall hold at least one public hearing in each county in which the proposed facility is to be located and shall publish a public notice not less than 14 days before such session in one or more newspapers having a regular circulation in the county in which the hearing is to be held, describing the nature and location of the proposed facilities. The public hearings shall be joint hearings, with representatives of the agencies that have permitting or other regulatory authority over the subject matter and shall be deemed to satisfy all initial requirements for public hearings under statutes requiring permits relative to environmental impact. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the hearing shall be a joint hearing with the other state agencies and shall be in lieu of all hearings otherwise required by any of the other state agencies; provided, however, if any of such other state agencies does not otherwise have authority to conduct hearings, it may not join in the hearing under this chapter; provided further, however, the ability or inability of any of the other state agencies to join shall not affect the composition of the committee under RSA 162-H:3 nor the ability of any member of the committee to act in accordance with this chapter.

II. Subsequent **public** hearings shall be in the nature of adjudicative proceedings under RSA 541-A and ~~[may]~~ **shall** be held in the county or one of the counties in which the proposed facility is to be located or in Concord, New Hampshire, as determined by the site evaluation committee. The committee shall give adequate public notice of the time and place of each subsequent hearing.

12 Effective Date. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

2015-1736s

AMENDED ANALYSIS

This bill implements goals of the state 10-year energy strategy prepared by the office of energy and planning. This bill modifies authorized uses of the site evaluation fund and establishes fees for energy facility evaluation.

This bill also modifies requirements for public information sessions on proposed energy facilities.

Health and Human Services

May 12, 2015

2015-1709s

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Amendment to HB 628-FN

Amend the title of the bill by replacing it with the following:

AN ACT relative to indemnification of health care facilities and other employers under certain circumstances.

Amend the bill by replacing all after the enacting clause with the following:

1 New Section; Health Care Facilities; Immunity From Liability. Amend RSA 151 by inserting after section 16-b the following new section:

151:16-c Health Care Facilities; Disclosure of Employment Information; Immunity. Any facility licensed under this chapter shall be granted immunity when disclosing employment information. A facility as an employer, its directors and employees who disclose employment information shall be immune from civil liability for the disclosure and its consequences when disclosing information about an employee or former employee's job performance, misconduct, competency, or work record to a prospective employer. The employer or former employer is presumed to be acting in good faith, unless disclosure is shown by clear and convincing evidence to have been made with malicious intent or false or deliberately misleading information.

2 New Subdivision; Disclosure of Employment Information. Amend RSA 275 by inserting after section 75 the following new subdivision:

Disclosure of Employment Information

275:76 Disclosure of Employment Information. An employer, its directors and employees who disclose employment information shall be immune from civil liability for the disclosure and its consequences when disclosing information about an employee or former employee's job performance, misconduct, competency, or work record to a prospective employer. The employer or former employer is presumed to be acting in good faith, unless disclosure is shown by clear and convincing evidence to have been made with malicious intent or false or deliberately misleading information.

3 Effective Date. This act shall take effect January 1, 2016.

2015-1709s

AMENDED ANALYSIS

This bill declares that any facility licensed under RSA 151 and any employer shall be granted immunity when disclosing employment information presuming the facility or other employer is acting in good faith.

HEARINGS

MONDAY, MAY 18, 2015

FINANCE, Room 103, SH

Sen. Forrester (C), Sen. Little (VC), Sen. Morse, Sen. Reagan, Sen. D'Allesandro, Sen. Hosmer

9:00 a.m.

EXECUTIVE SESSION ON PENDING LEGISLATION

TUESDAY, MAY 19, 2015

CAPITAL BUDGET, Room 103, SH

Sen. Daniels (C), Sen. Boutin (VC), Sen. Forrester, Sen. D'Allesandro, Sen. Kelly

11:00 a.m.

EXECUTIVE SESSION ON PENDING LEGISLATION

COMMERCE, Room 100, SH

Sen. Prescott (C), Sen. Bradley (VC), Sen. Cataldo, Sen. Soucy, Sen. Pierce

1:00 p.m.

EXECUTIVE SESSION ON PENDING LEGISLATION

FINANCE, Room 103, SH

Sen. Forrester (C), Sen. Little (VC), Sen. Morse, Sen. Reagan, Sen. D'Allesandro, Sen. Hosmer

1:00 p.m.

EXECUTIVE SESSION ON PENDING LEGISLATION

JUDICIARY, Room 100, SH

Sen. Carson (C), Sen. Cataldo (VC), Sen. Daniels, Sen. Lasky, Sen. Pierce

9:00 a.m.

EXECUTIVE SESSION ON PENDING LEGISLATION

WAYS AND MEANS, Room 103, SH

Sen. Boutin (C), Sen. D'Allesandro (VC), Sen. Sanborn, Sen. Morse, Sen. Feltes

9:30 a.m.

COMMITTEE REVENUE ESTIMATES

WEDNESDAY, MAY 20, 2015

ENERGY AND NATURAL RESOURCES, Room 100, SH

Sen. Bradley (C), Sen. Little (VC), Sen. Sanborn, Sen. Fuller Clark, Sen. Feltes

9:00 a.m.

Hearing on proposed amendment **2015-1677s** - *establishing the traditional commercial and recreational fishing protection act, prohibiting political subdivisions from interfering with commercial and recreational operations, and relative to rulemaking by the commissioner of environmental services on certain minimal impact projects to **HB 464**, establishing the traditional commercial and recreational fishing protection act, prohibiting political subdivisions from interfering with commercial and recreational operations.*

EXECUTIVE SESSION MAY FOLLOW

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENTS AND ADMINISTRATION, Room 101, LOB

Sen. Carson (C), Sen. Reagan (VC), Sen. Cataldo, Sen. Soucy, Sen. Woodburn

10:00 a.m.

EXECUTIVE SESSION ON THE FOLLOWING BILL

HB 141, relative to rulemaking authority concerning practice standards and safe and secure operation of pharmacies.

FINANCE, Room 103, SH

Sen. Forrester (C), Sen. Little (VC), Sen. Morse, Sen. Reagan, Sen. D'Allesandro, Sen. Hosmer

9:00 a.m.

EXECUTIVE SESSION ON PENDING LEGISLATION

THURSDAY, MAY 21, 2015

CAPITAL BUDGET, Room 100, SH

Sen. Daniels (C), Sen. Boutin (VC), Sen. Forrester, Sen. D'Allesandro, Sen. Kelly

1:00 p.m.

EXECUTIVE SESSION ON PENDING LEGISLATION

FINANCE, Room 103, SH

Sen. Forrester (C), Sen. Little (VC), Sen. Morse, Sen. Reagan, Sen. D'Allesandro, Sen. Hosmer

3:00 p.m.

EXECUTIVE SESSION ON PENDING LEGISLATION

TUESDAY, MAY 26, 2015

JUDICIARY, Room 100, SH

Sen. Carson (C), Sen. Cataldo (VC), Sen. Daniels, Sen. Lasky, Sen. Pierce

9:00 a.m.

EXECUTIVE SESSION ON PENDING LEGISLATION

TRANSPORTATION, Room 103, LOB

Sen. Stiles (C), Sen. Birdsell (VC), Sen. Daniels, Sen. Watters, Sen. Feltes

1:00 p.m.

EXECUTIVE SESSION ON PENDING LEGISLATION

MEETINGS

FRIDAY, MAY 15, 2015

ENERGY EFFICIENCY AND SUSTAINABLE ENERGY BOARD (RSA 125-O:5-a)

9:00 a.m.

NH Fish and Game
Conference Room
11 Hazen Drive
Concord, NH

Regular Meeting

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

9:00 a.m.

Rooms 305-307, LOB

Regular Meeting

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

10:00 a.m.

Rooms 210-211, LOB

Regular Business

10:30 a.m.

Rooms 210-211, LOB

Audits

State of New Hampshire
Single Audit of Federal
Financial Assistance Programs
For the Year Ended June 30, 2014

State of New Hampshire
Department of Revenue Adminis-
tration
Financial Audit Report
For the Fiscal Year Ended
June 30, 2014

State of New Hampshire
Department of Administrative Ser-
vices
Statewide Recycling Program
Performance Audit
May 2015

State of New Hampshire
Board of Pharmacy Inspections
Performance Audit Report
May 2015

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

12:00 p.m.

Room 101, LOB

Continued Meeting

1:00 p.m.

Room 101, LOB

Regular Meeting

MONDAY, MAY 18, 2015

NH COLLEGE TUITION SAVINGS PLAN ADVISORY COMMISSION (RSA 195-H:2)

10:00 a.m.

NH Higher Education Assistance Foundation
4 Barrell Court
Concord, NH

Quarterly Meeting

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

11:00 a.m. Room 307, LOB Regular Meeting

INTERBRANCH CRIMINAL AND JUVENILE JUSTICE COUNCIL (RSA 651-E)

1:30 p.m. Room 204, LOB Regular Meeting

NEW HAMPSHIRE COMMISSION ON DEAFNESS AND HEARING LOSS (RSA 125-Q)

1:30 p.m. Room 205, LOB Regular Meeting

THURSDAY, MAY 21, 2015**SUBCOMMITTEE ON ALZHEIMER'S DISEASE AND OTHER RELATED DEMENTIA (RSA 126-A:15-a)**

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

COMMISSION ON POST-TRAUMATIC STRESS DISORDER AND TRAUMATIC BRAIN INJURY (RSA 115-D)

2:30 p.m. NH Army Aviation Support Facility Regular Meeting
26 Regional Drive
Concord, NH

WEDNESDAY, MAY 27, 2015**LONG RANGE CAPITAL PLANNING AND UTILIZATION COMMITTEE (RSA 17-M:1)**

11:15 a.m. Room 201, LOB Regular Meeting

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

12:00 p.m. Room 201, LOB Regular Meeting

THURSDAY, MAY 28, 2015**COMMISSION ON PRIMARY CARE WORKFORCE ISSUES (RSA 126-T)**

2:00 p.m. NH Medical Society Regular Meeting
7 North State Street
Concord, NH

FRIDAY, MAY 29, 2015**COMMISSION TO STUDY MENTAL HEALTH IMPLEMENTATION IN NEW HAMPSHIRE (RSA 135-C:63-b)**

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

MONDAY, JUNE 1, 2015**STATE COMMITTEE ON AGING (RSA 161-F:7, I)**

10:00 a.m. DHHS, Brown Building Regular Meeting
129 Pleasant Street
Concord, NH

TASK FORCE ON WORK AND FAMILY (RSA 276-B:2, I)

1:15 p.m. Room 207, LOB Regular Meeting

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

2:00 p.m. Walker Building, Room 100 Regular Meeting
21 South Fruit St.
Concord, NH

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 3, 2015**ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON THE EDUCATION OF CHILDREN/STUDENTS WITH DISABILITIES (RSA 186-C:3-b)**

4:30 p.m. NH Department of Education Regular Meeting
Londergan Hall, Room 15
101 Pleasant Street
Concord, NH

FRIDAY, JUNE 5, 2015

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

9:00 a.m. Rooms 305-307, LOB Continued Meeting

NEW HAMPSHIRE STATE HOUSE BICENTENNIAL COMMISSION (RSA 17-R:1)

10:00 a.m. Room 308, LOB Regular Meeting

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

2:00 p.m. NH Department of Revenue Administration Rules and Definitions
109 Pleasant Street Subcommittee Meeting
Concord, NH

MONDAY, JUNE 8, 2015

ADVANCED MANUFACTURING EDUCATION ADVISORY COUNCIL (RSA 188-E:21)

3:00 p.m. Room 100, SH Regular Meeting

COMMISSION TO STUDY SEXUAL ABUSE PREVENTION EDUCATION IN ELEMENTARY AND SECONDARY SCHOOLS (RSA 189:69)

9:00 a.m. Room 101, LOB Regular Meeting

FRIDAY, JUNE 12, 2015

COASTAL RISK AND HAZARDS COMMISSION (RSA 483-E:1)

9:00 a.m. NH DES Portsmouth Regional Office Regular Meeting
Pease International Tradeport
222 International Drive
Portsmouth, NH

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

9:30 a.m. NH Department of Revenue Administration Poles, Wires and Conduits
109 Pleasant Street Subcommittee Meeting
Concord, NH

STATE SUGGESTION AND EXTRAORDINARY SERVICE AWARD EVALUATION COMMITTEE (RSA 99-E:1, I)

9:30 a.m. Room 101, LOB Regular Meeting

MONDAY, JUNE 15, 2015

NEW HAMPSHIRE COMMISSION ON DEAFNESS AND HEARING LOSS (RSA 125-Q)

1:30 p.m. Room 205, LOB Regular Meeting

FRIDAY, JUNE 19, 2015

ENERGY EFFICIENCY AND SUSTAINABLE ENERGY BOARD (RSA 125-O:5-a)

9:00 a.m. PUC Office Regular Meeting
21 South Fruit Street
Concord, NH

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

9:00 a.m. Rooms 305-307, LOB Regular Meeting

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

1:00 p.m. Room 101, LOB Regular Meeting

MONDAY, JUNE 22, 2015

COMMISSION TO STUDY SEXUAL ABUSE PREVENTION EDUCATION IN ELEMENTARY AND SECONDARY SCHOOLS (RSA 189:69)

9:00 a.m. Room 101, LOB Regular Meeting

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

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

THURSDAY, JUNE 25, 2015

COMMISSION ON PRIMARY CARE WORKFORCE ISSUES (RSA 126-T)

2:00 p.m.	NH Medical Society 7 North State Street Concord, NH	Regular Meeting
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FRIDAY, JUNE 26, 2015

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

9:00 a.m.	Rooms 305-307, LOB	Continued Meeting
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ASSESSING STANDARDS BOARD (RSA 21-J:14-a)

9:30 a.m.	NH Department of Revenue Administration 109 Pleasant Street Concord, NH	Regular Meeting
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GOVERNOR'S COMMISSION ON ALCOHOL AND DRUG ABUSE PREVENTION, TREATMENT, AND RECOVERY (RSA 12-J:1)

9:30 a.m.	Rooms 301-303, LOB	Regular Meeting
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SENATE BILLS AMENDED BY THE HOUSE

COMMERCE

SB 106-FN, restricting the sale or possession of synthetic drugs.

SB 186, reestablishing the commission to study soft tissue injuries under workers' compensation and to study the feasibility of developing a first responder's critical injury fund.

SB 211-FN, relative to taxation of employee leasing companies under the business enterprise tax.

ENERGY AND NATURAL RESOURCES

SB 170, requiring the public utilities commission to ensure ratepayer protections with electric power suppliers and extending the time for the site evaluation committee to adopt certain rules.

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENTS AND ADMINISTRATION

SB 46, relative to public safety radio interoperability.

SB 86, relative to state procurement of goods and services.

SB 202-FN, relative to licensure of outsourcing facilities by the pharmacy board.

HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

SB 108-FN, relative to health care associated infections.

SB 135-FN, relative to lead poisoning in children.

JUDICIARY

SB 40-FN, including a fetus in the definition of "another" for the purpose of certain criminal offenses.

SB 53, repealing the interagency coordinating council for women offenders and relative to the membership of the interbranch criminal and juvenile justice council.

SB 72, establishing a commission to study the use of police personnel files as they relate to the Laurie List.

SB 116-FN, repealing the license requirement for carrying a concealed pistol or revolver.

SB 153, relative to the accessibility of criminal records.

PUBLIC AND MUNICIPAL AFFAIRS

SB 92, establishing a committee to study public access to political campaign information.

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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 2015 BILLS:

SENATE BILLS: 1, 2, 8, 20, 25, 29, 30, 34, 40, 93, 104, 106, 108, 112, 113, 114, 115, 116, 117, 120, 125, 132, 133, 135, 138, 151, 157, 186, 188, 190, 191, 192, 195, 202, 203, 205, 210, 211, 213, 214, 216, 217, 227, 228, 229, 230, 238, 239, 256, 258, 259, 260, 261, 265

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ENROLLED BILL AMENDMENTS ARE AVAILABLE IN THE SENATE CLERK'S OFFICE FOR 2015 BILLS:

SENATE BILLS: 11, 14, 20, 80, 161, 187, 194

HOUSE BILLS: 119, 126, 130, 158, 175, 275, 279, 310, 336, 361, 408, 422, 467, 520, 522, 607

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NOTICES

FRIDAY, MAY 15, 2015

Every Child Matters in NH and Child and Family Services of NH are pleased to extend an invitation to all members for "Walk a Month in My Shoes" Poverty Simulation on Friday, May 15th at the Grappone Conference Center in Concord. Breakfast and registration will open at 8:00 a.m. The simulation will begin at 8:30 a.m. and end by noon. Please stay for lunch and an afternoon discussion about poverty in our state with NH experts on this topic. Our goal is to simulate the challenges faced by low-income children and their families as they try to survive from month to month on limited resources. We guarantee that this event will have you talking and thinking about poverty in new ways. There is no cost to attend this event. Breakfast and lunch will be provided to our guests. Space is limited so please RSVP by April 24th by calling (603) 856-7517 or emailing mlbeaver@everychildmatters.org.

Senator David Watters

FRIDAY, MAY 15, 2015

You are cordially invited to join us for a Tour of Two Water Systems: Manchester Water Works and Manchester Wastewater Treatment Plant on Friday, May 15th, 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. Water and wastewater facilities are essential for our communities. We need infrastructure to ensure clean water for drinking, swimming, health, business and the economy. Join us for a tour of a drinking water facility followed by a wastewater plant. After all that touring, there will be a delicious BBQ at the Manchester Wastewater Treatment Plant. Please RSVP to enable us to plan for parking and lunch: Elizabeth Harrington at 603-321-7012 or NHWPCA.elizabeth@gmail.com.

9:00 a.m. Tour - Drinking Water Facility

MANCHESTER WATER WORKS, 1581 Lake Shore Road, Manchester, NH 03109 (603) 792-2851

10:30 a.m. Tour - Wastewater Treatment Plant

Environmental Protection Division, Manchester Wastewater Treatment Plant
City of Manchester, 300 Winston Street, Manchester, NH 03103 (603) 624-6341

12:00 p.m. Lunch

BBQ at the Manchester Wastewater Treatment Plant

Senator Jeanie L. Forrester

FRIDAY, MAY 15, 2015

The Senate is cordially invited to attend the Infrastructure Investment Bus Tour on May 15th 9:00 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. leaving from the LOB hosted by the New Hampshire Good Roads Association. The tour will include various highway and bridge construction projects including the I-93 Safety Improvement project, Manchester Airport Access Road, Hooksett Welcome Centers and the I-293 Exit 4 Interchange project. Transportation and lunch will be provided. Reservations are requested by May 7th. Please contact the New Hampshire Good Roads at 603-224-1823 or by email at nhroads@aol.com.

Senator David Watters

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WEDNESDAY, MAY 20, 2015

Breathe New Hampshire invites all legislators and staff to attend a Breakfast Reception on Wednesday, May 20th from 8:00 a.m. to 9:30 a.m. in the State House Cafeteria. Stop by for a light breakfast, take a breathing test, and meet volunteers who are helping Granite Staters breathe better and live longer. Please RSVP to info@breathenh.org or by calling 603-669-2411.

Senator Lou D'Allesandro

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FRIDAY, MAY 22, 2015

In recognition of your support, The New Hampshire Law Enforcement Officers Memorial Association cordially invites you to the 23rd Annual New Hampshire Law Enforcement Officers Memorial Ceremony. The Ceremony will be held on Friday, May 22nd, 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 Ceremony. Please do not hesitate to contact Major Kevin Jordan of the New Hampshire Fish and Game Department at 603-271-3128 if you have any questions.

Senator Chuck W. Morse, Senate President

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WEDNESDAY, MAY 27, 2015

Legislators are invited to join Housing Action NH for a Home Matters in NH Week breakfast and award presentation Wednesday, May 27th, from 8:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m. in the State House Cafeteria. NH does better when more Granite Staters have an affordable place to call home. Home Matters in NH Week will highlight policy solutions that help create housing matched to NH's needs. The breakfast includes a presentation of five Home Matters in NH Awards, honoring outstanding work in three categories that help advance policies for more affordable housing and ending homelessness.

Senators Jeb Bradley and Martha Fuller-Clark will receive this award for their legislative work, along with Concord resident Mike LaFontaine, formerly with the NH Community Loan Fund, for his long-time advocacy. Concord Monitor reporters Megan Doyle and Jeremy Blackman will be honored for their recent series covering the issue of homelessness in Concord.

Please RSVP to laurel@housingactionnh.org or call 425-3855.

Senator David R. Boutin
Senator David Watters

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FRIDAY, MAY 29, 2015

The Propane Gas Association of New England is hosting its annual Outdoor Living Safety Day on the State House lawn on Friday, May 29th, 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. 12 NH propane companies will be grilling and discussing propane safety for the summer season. The Governor and State Fire Marshal have been invited. All are welcome to stop by and visit.

Senator Jeb Bradley, Senate Majority Leader
Senator Jeff Woodburn, Senate Minority Leader

FRIDAY, MAY 29, 2015

The Spring and Summer has two health promotions sponsored by the Governor's Council on Physical Activity & Health. The first is the "Granite Walk of Ages" that is the kick off for the Governor's "90 Day Challenge", at White Park in Concord on Friday, May 29th with registration at 10:00 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. There will be a 1 mile walk to the State House at 11:00 a.m. for reading of the proclamation followed by walking around the capitol & returning walk to White Park. Sign up and registration for the 90 Day Challenge will also be available at White Park from 10:00 a.m. to 10:30 a.m.

If you can't make the Granite Walk of Ages on May 29th, you can register now for the 90 Day Challenge. Visit www.nhmoves.org/90daychallenge, complete and submit the online registration form at the bottom of the website. Within a week you'll receive the 90 Day Challenge Passport in an email to print. It is FREE, easy to participate, and good for your health. Use the Passport to track your daily activity and for free access to select State Parks. See Passport for eligibility details. Hurry, the 90 Day Challenge begins on June 1st.

Senator Nancy F. Stiles

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WEDNESDAY, JUNE 3, 2015

To all members of the Senate, House and Staff. The OWLS will be hosting a bake sale in the Ante Room of the House of Representatives on Wednesday June 3rd, during Session. Please enjoy the wonderful baked goods.

Senator Chuck W. Morse, Senate President

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THURSDAY, JUNE 11, 2015

All Senate members and legislative staff are cordially invited to OHRV Appreciation Day on Thursday, June 11th from 11:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. on the State House Plaza. Please join the New Hampshire Off Highway Vehicle Association (NHOHVA), their local clubs and members, and OHRV dealers from New Hampshire Automobile Dealers Association as they kick off the 2015 riding season. There will be food, new models on display, and NHOHVA will also be showcasing their Youth Safety Simulator which is helping educate young riders! Club members and dealers from around the State will be happy to provide you with information and speak with you about the exciting ways the OHRV industry is helping the economy of New Hampshire.

Senator Jeb Bradley, Senate Majority Leader
Senator Jeff Woodburn, Senate Minority Leader

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SENATE SCHEDULE

Monday, May 25, 2015	Memorial Day (State Holiday)
Thursday, June 04, 2015	Deadline to ACT on all House bills.
Thursday, June 11, 2015	Deadline to FORM Committees of Conference.
Thursday, June 18, 2015	Deadline to SIGN Committee of Conference Reports.
Thursday, June 25, 2015	Deadline to ACT on Committee of Conference Reports.
Friday, July 03, 2015	Independence Day (State Holiday)
Monday, September 07, 2015	Labor Day (State Holiday)
Wednesday, November 11, 2015	Veterans' Day (State Holiday)
Thursday, November 26, 2015	Thanksgiving Day (State Holiday)
Friday, November 27, 2015	Day after Thanksgiving (State Holiday)
Friday, December 25, 2015	Christmas Day (State Holiday)