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**First Year of the 164th Session of the
New Hampshire General Court**

SENATE CALENDAR

THE SENATE WILL CONVENE ON WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 6, 2016 AT 10:00 A.M.

Pursuant to Part 2, Article 3 of the New Hampshire Constitution, the Senate “shall assemble annually on the first Wednesday following the first Tuesday in January.”

HEARINGS

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 15, 2015

COMMERCE, Room 100, SH

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

1:00 p.m.

EXECUTIVE SESSION ON THE FOLLOWING RE-REFERRED BILL

SB 100, relative to home heating fuel deliveries in the winter.

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 22, 2015

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 THE FOLLOWING RE-REFERRED BILLS

HB 216-FN, relative to recovery of certain investigatory costs by regulatory boards and commissions, and applying certain general administration provisions to the mechanical licensing board.

HB 521, relative to the size of the pool of the workers’ compensation appeals board.

SB 27-FN, relative to the department of corrections industries inventory account.

SB 61-FN-A, relative to funding for the New Hampshire agricultural lands program.

SB 138-FN, relative to claims arising from clinical services provided to the department of corrections.

SB 256-FN, authorizing certain expenditures by the department of transportation.

MEETINGS

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 4, 2015

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

10:00 a.m.

Room 308, LOB

Regular Meeting

MONDAY, DECEMBER 7, 2015

COMMISSION TO REVIEW AND CONSIDER ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE MANUFACTURING PROCESSES AND RETAIL SALES AT MANUFACTURING FACILITIES (RSA 175:10)

10:00 a.m.

Room 306, LOB

Regular Meeting

STATE COMMITTEE ON AGING (RSA 161-F:7, I)

10:00 a.m.

DHHS, Brown Building, Room 232
129 Pleasant Street
Concord, NH

Regular Meeting

COMMITTEE TO STUDY EXOTIC AQUATIC WEEDS AND EXOTIC AQUATIC SPECIES OF WILDLIFE IN THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE (RSA 487:30)

11:00 a.m.

Room 307, LOB

Regular Meeting

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

2:00 p.m.

Walker Building, Room 100
21 South Fruit Street
Concord, NH

Regular Meeting

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 8, 2015

JOINT TASK FORCE FOR THE RESPONSE TO THE HEROIN AND OPIOID EPIDEMIC IN NEW HAMPSHIRE

DIVISION III – Finance/Appropriations

9:00 a.m. Rooms 210-211, LOB Task Force Division Meeting

COMMISSION ON RURAL AFFAIRS (RSA 9-A:5)

10:30 a.m. Rooms 303, LOB Regular Meeting

GAMES FOR CHARITY STUDY COMMISSION (RSA 284:6-b)

11:00 a.m. Lottery Headquarters Regular Meeting
14 Integra Drive
Concord, NH

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

1:00 p.m. Room 305, LOB Organizational – Subcommittee
Meeting Food Services Performance
Audit Review Committee

COMMISSION TO DEVELOP A LAND CONSERVATION PLAN (RSA 162-C:12)

3:30 p.m. Room 103, SH Regular Meeting

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 9, 2015

JOINT TASK FORCE FOR THE RESPONSE TO THE HEROIN AND OPIOID EPIDEMIC IN NEW HAMPSHIRE

DIVISION I – Criminal Penalties, Judicial Matters, Insurance Regulations/Criteria

9:00 a.m. Rooms 210-211, LOB Task Force Division Meeting

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

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

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 10, 2015

COMMISSION TO STUDY ISSUES RELATING TO STUDENTS RECEIVING SPECIAL EDUCATION SERVICES WHILE ATTENDING A CHARTERED PUBLIC SCHOOL (RSA 186-C:30)

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

JOINT TASK FORCE FOR THE RESPONSE TO THE HEROIN AND OPIOID EPIDEMIC IN NEW HAMPSHIRE

DIVISION II – Medical/Pharmaceutical Services, Regulation, Education and Oversight

9:00 a.m. Rooms 210-211, LOB Task Force Division Meeting

JOINT COMMITTEE ON DEDICATED FUNDS (RSA 6:12-i)

10:00 a.m. Room 104, LOB Regular Meeting

JOINT COMMITTEE ON EMPLOYEE CLASSIFICATION (RSA 14:14-C)

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

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

1:00 p.m. Room 307, LOB Regular Meeting

HOME EDUCATION ADVISORY COUNCIL (RSA 193-A:10)

3:30 p.m. NH Department of Education Regular Meeting
Londergan Hall, Room 100A
101 Pleasant Street
Concord, NH

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 11, 2015

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

9:00 a.m.	PUC Office 21 South Fruit Street Concord, NH	Regular Meeting
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ASSESSING STANDARDS BOARD (RSA 21-J:14-a)

1:00 p.m.	Room 303, LOB	Regular Meeting
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COMMITTEE TO STUDY PUBLIC-PRIVATE PARTNERSHIPS FOR INTERMODAL TRANSPORTATION (SB 88, Chapter 184:1, Laws of 2015)

1:30 p.m.	Room 101, LOB	Regular Meeting
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STATE SUGGESTION AND EXTRAORDINARY SERVICE AWARD EVALUATION COMMITTEE (RSA 99-E:1, I)

9:30 a.m.	Room 101, LOB	Regular Meeting
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NEW HAMPSHIRE FILM AND TELEVISION COMMISSION (RSA 21-K:23, III)

10:00 a.m.	Department of Cultural Resources 19 Pillsbury Street Concord, NH	Regular Meeting
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MONDAY, DECEMBER 14, 2015

CHILDREN'S SAVINGS ACCOUNT PROGRAM COMMISSION (RSA 195-J:1)

9:30 a.m.	Room 307, LOB	Regular Meeting
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THURSDAY, DECEMBER 17, 2015

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

9:00 a.m.	Rooms 305-307, LOB	Regular Meeting
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COMMISSION ON POST-TRAUMATIC STRESS DISORDER AND TRAUMATIC BRAIN INJURY (RSA 115-D)

2:30 p.m.	Rooms 305-307, LOB	Regular Meeting
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FRIDAY, DECEMBER 18, 2015

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

9:00 a.m.	Room 307, LOB	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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COMMISSION TO STUDY MENTAL HEALTH IMPLEMENTATION IN NEW HAMPSHIRE (RSA 135-C:63-b)

10:00 a.m.	Room 305, LOB	Regular Meeting
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FISCAL COMMITTEE OF THE GENERAL COURT (RSA 14:30-a)

10:00 a.m.	Rooms 210-211, LOB	Regular Business
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GUARDIAN AD LITEM BOARD (RSA 490-C:1)

1:00 p.m.	Room 101, LOB	Regular Meeting
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MONDAY, DECEMBER 21, 2015

NEW HAMPSHIRE VETERANS HOME BOARD OF MANAGERS (RSA 119:3-a)

9:00 a.m.	NH Veterans Home Tarr South Conference Room 139 Winter Street Tilton, NH	Regular Meeting
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INTERBRANCH CRIMINAL AND JUVENILE JUSTICE COUNCIL (RSA 651-E:2)

1:30 p.m.

Room 304, LOB

Regular Meeting

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 22, 2015**COMMISSION TO STUDY THE ECONOMIC IMPACT OF THE ARTS AND CULTURE IN NEW HAMPSHIRE (RSA 19-A:14)**

2:00 p.m.

Room 303, LOB

Regular Meeting

MONDAY, JANUARY 4, 2016**COMMISSION TO REVIEW AND CONSIDER ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE MANUFACTURING PROCESSES AND RETAIL SALES AT MANUFACTURING FACILITIES (RSA 175:10)**

10:00 a.m.

Room 306, LOB

Regular Meeting

FRIDAY, JANUARY 8, 2016**TELECOMMUNICATIONS PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT ADVISORY COMMITTEE (RSA 12-A:46)**

10:00 a.m.

NH Department of Resources &
Economic Development
172 Pembroke Road
Concord, NH

Quarterly Meeting

MONDAY, JANUARY 11, 2016**ADVISORY COUNCIL ON CAREER AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION (RSA 188-E:10-b)**

10:00 a.m.

Room 100, SH

Regular Meeting

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2015 REREFERRED BILLS IN COMMITTEE:**SENATE BILLS: 4, 27, 59, 61, 100, 109, 127, 129, 138, 140, 147, 184, 193, 197, 210, 226, 237, 239, 256, 257, 263****HOUSE BILLS: 141, 192, 195, 216, 285, 380, 383, 458, 521, 560, 593, 606, 613, 628, 645**

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2015 REREFERRED BILLS REPORT FILED:**SENATE BILLS: 3, 18, 25, 26, 66, 89, 121, 128, 131, 150, 152, 158, 165, 175, 177, 198, 206, 224, 246, 260****HOUSE BILLS: 331, 346, 353, 427, 463, 502, 529, 555, 689**

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2015 BILLS REMAINING ON THE TABLE:**SENATE BILLS: 1, 2, 6, 34, 37, 42, 79, 87, 95, 107, 130, 156, 185, 196, 201, 205, 212, 215, 217, 220, 228, 229, 233, 253****HOUSE BILLS: 227, 276, 403, 411, 563, 618, 658**

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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: 25, 115, 138, 157, 203, 210, 214, 227, 238, 239, 256, 260, 265****HOUSE BILLS: 216, 380, 521, 593, 628**

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NOTICES

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 6, 2016

Sheehan Phinney Capitol Group will be hosting the annual Welcome Back Reception for all House and Senate members and staff on Wednesday, January 6th, at Tandy's Top Shelf Restaurant, One Eagle Square (directly across the street from the State House) following the close of session, or at 3:00 p.m. should the session end early.

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

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LEGISLATIVE ETHICS COMMITTEE

The Legislative Ethics Committee has voted to issue the following advisory opinion, which is printed below in its entirety.

**Advisory Opinion 2015-4
Response to a Request for an Advisory Opinion
from Senate Legal Counsel Richard J. Lehmann
on Behalf of Senator Gary L. Daniels
(December 1, 2015)**

Senate Legal Counsel Richard J. Lehmann has submitted a request for an Advisory Opinion on behalf of Senator Gary L. Daniels about whether, consistent with applicable statutes and the Ethics Guidelines, Senator Daniels may accept payment of the costs of travel, lodging, and meals related to attendance at an event.

According to the information submitted by Attorney Lehmann, Senator Daniels has been invited to attend an event in Philadelphia on December 11-13, 2015, which will be focused on policies that governments and corporations can use to attract and retain veterans of the United States armed forces as employees. The event will consist of seminars concerning these topics, as well as a tour of the Technology Lab at the Comcast Center.

Based on the information provided by Attorney Lehmann about the event's purpose and activities, the event, as described, qualifies as a *bona fide* conference, meeting, seminar or educational program. See Interpretive Ruling 2013-1.

Accordingly, the Committee advises that acceptance of payment for expenses associated with attendance at the event qualifies for the exemption from the prohibition on "Gifts" under RSA 15-B:3, as "Expense Reimbursement" under RSA 15-B:5.

Senator Daniels must report his acceptance of the complimentary travel, lodging, and meals in accordance with RSA 15-B:6.

We appreciate the opportunity to be of assistance.

Honorable Donna Sytek, Chairman
Senator Sharon M. Carson, Vice Chairman
Representative Janet G. Wall
Senator Martha Fuller Clark
Representative David A. Welch
Honorable John A. Graham
Attorney David H. Bradley

For the Committee,
Honorable Donna Sytek
Chairman

[Vote: 7-0]

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SENATE SCHEDULE

Tuesday, December 8, 2015	Deadline for co-sponsors to sign off on legislation.
Friday, December 25, 2015	Christmas Day (State Holiday)
Friday, January 1, 2016	New Year's Day (State Holiday)
Wednesday, January 6, 2016	Convening Day
Monday, January 18, 2016	Martin Luther King Jr./Civil Rights Day (State Holiday)
Monday, February 15, 2016	Presidents' Day (State Holiday)
Monday, May 30, 2016	Memorial Day (State Holiday)
Monday, July 4, 2016	Independence Day (State Holiday)
Monday, September 5, 2016	Labor Day (State Holiday)
Friday, November 11, 2016	Veterans' Day (State Holiday)
Thursday, November 24, 2016	Thanksgiving Day (State Holiday)
Friday, November 25, 2016	Day after Thanksgiving (State Holiday)
Monday, December 26, 2016	Christmas Day (State Holiday)