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New Hampshire General Court**

## SENATE CALENDAR

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**THE SENATE WILL MEET IN SESSION ON  
THURSDAY, MARCH 9, 2017 AT 10:00 A.M.**

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## **LAI D ON THE TABLE**

**SB 28**, relative to salvage certificates of titles for motor vehicles. **01/19/2017, pending motion, Inexpedient to Legislate, Transportation, SJ 4, pg. 20**

**SB 54**, relative to the licensure of alcohol and drug counselors. **02/23/2017, pending motion, Ought to Pass, Executive Departments and Administration, SJ 7**

**SB 57-FN-A**, making appropriations to the department of environmental services for the purposes of funding eligible drinking water and wastewater projects under the state aid grant program. **02/09/2017, pending motion, OT3rdg, Finance, SJ 5**

**SB 99-A**, funding the New Hampshire Internet crimes against children task force. **02/23/2017, pending motion OT3rdg, Finance, SJ 7**

**SB 105-FN-L**, making an appropriation for the replacement of heat and hot water systems in the Concord school district. **02/23/2017, pending motion, OT3rdg, Education, SJ 7**

**SB 133-FN**, relative to security screening at state correctional facilities. **02/23/2017, pending motion, Ought to Pass, Executive Departments and Administration, SJ 7**

**SB 135-FN**, relative to the regulation of electricians. **02/23/2017, pending motion, Committee Amendment 0477s, Executive Departments and Administration, SJ 7**

**SB 145**, prohibiting smoking in motor vehicles when a passenger under the age of 16 is in the vehicle. **02/23/2017, pending motion, Rerefer, Health and Human Services, SJ 7**

**SB 168**, relative to increasing the maximum amount of the optional veterans tax credit. **02/23/2017, pending motion, Inexpedient to Legislate, Public and Municipal Affairs, SJ 7**

**SB 191-FN**, relative to the definition of average daily membership in attendance. **02/23/2017, pending motion, OT3rdg, Education, SJ 7**

**SB 196-FN-A**, relative to liquor revenues deposited into the alcohol abuse prevention and treatment fund. **02/23/2017, pending motion, OT3rdg, Finance, SJ 7**

## **CONSENT CALENDAR REPORTS**

### **COMMERCE**

**SB 39**, relative to automobile insurance cancellation.

Inexpedient to Legislate, Vote 5-0.

Senator Sanborn for the committee.

New Hampshire is unique in that it doesn't require citizens of this state to carry car insurance. In 2002, a law was put into place requiring a NH resident to sign a residency form. Our rates were very low and many were crossing the state line to purchase insurance here. This bill would have deleted the requirement to sign a residency form, proponents of the bill feel that the forms can get misplaced causing unintended consequences. Unfortunately, this bill may lead to bigger unintended consequences than just misplacing a form. The law should be kept the way it is currently written in order to protect the citizens of this state. This is the reason the Commerce committee voted inexpedient to legislate

## **REGULAR CALENDAR REPORTS**

### **CAPITAL BUDGET**

**SB 94-FN-A**, making a capital appropriation for affordable housing.

Ought to Pass with Amendment, Vote 4-0.

Senator D'Allesandro for the committee.

## **COMMERCE**

**SB 22**, relative to employer immunity for disclosure of certain worker employment information.  
Inexpedient to Legislate, Vote 3-2.

Senator French for the committee.

**SB 41-FN-A**, establishing a fund to forgive certain educational debt and making an appropriation therefor.  
Ought to Pass with Amendment, Vote 3-2.

Senator Innis for the committee.

**SB 189-FN**, requiring insurance policies to cover 3-D mammography.  
Re-refer to Committee, Vote 4-1.

Senator Sanborn for the committee.

**SB 245-FN-A**, relative to the financial sustainability of the unemployment compensation fund.  
Ought to Pass with Amendment, Vote 5-0.

Senator Innis for the committee.

## **ELECTION LAW AND INTERNAL AFFAIRS**

**SB 108**, relative to absentee ballot applications.  
Ought to Pass, Vote 4-1.

Senator Soucy for the committee.

**SB 112**, establishing a council on the creative economy.  
Inexpedient to Legislate, Vote 3-2.

Senator Sanborn for the committee.

**SB 113**, relative to an electronic poll book trial program.  
Ought to Pass with Amendment, Vote 5-0.

Senator Soucy for the committee.

**SB 114**, prohibiting a candidate from receiving the nomination of more than one party.  
Ought to Pass, Vote 4-0.

Senator Sanborn for the committee.

**SB 194-FN**, authorizing online voter registration.  
Inexpedient to Legislate, Vote 3-2.

Senator Birdsell for the committee.

## **ENERGY AND NATURAL RESOURCES**

**SB 30**, defining woodland buffers and relative to such woodland buffers for the purposes of the shoreland protection act.

Ought to Pass with Amendment, Vote 4-0.

Senator Bradley for the committee.

**SB 48**, establishing a commission to study changes to the fish and game commission and department.  
Ought to Pass with Amendment, Vote 5-0.

Senator Bradley for the committee.

## **EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENTS AND ADMINISTRATION**

**SB 53**, relative to regulation of appraisal management companies by the real estate appraiser board.  
Ought to Pass with Amendment, Vote 3-0.

Senator Reagan for the committee.

**SB 137-FN**, relative to licensure by endorsement granted by the board of nursing.  
Ought to Pass with Amendment, Vote 4-0.

Senator Soucy for the committee.

**SB 139**, relative to the licensure of medical imaging professionals.  
Inexpedient to Legislate, Vote 3-0.

Senator Carson for the committee.

**SB 141**, relative to warnings prior to the imposition of civil fines assessed by state agencies.  
Inexpedient to Legislate, Vote 3-1.

Senator Carson for the committee.

**SB 214-FN**, relative to privatization of state services.  
Re-refer to Committee, Vote 4-0.

Senator Soucy for the committee.

**SB 215-FN**, permitting the community college system to participate in the state health care plan.  
Ought to Pass with Amendment, Vote 2-1.

Senator Gannon for the committee.

**FINANCE**

**SB 117-FN**, making an appropriation for stormwater management and flood resilience grants.  
Ought to Pass, Vote 3-1.

Senator D'Allesandro for the committee.

**SB 146-FN**, requiring the department of health and human services to develop a centralized state system for transporting persons subject to involuntary emergency admission.

Inexpedient to Legislate, Vote 3-1.

Senator Reagan for the committee.

**SB 153-FN-A**, making an appropriation for early childhood intervention services.

Ought to Pass, Vote 4-0.

Senator Reagan for the committee.

**SB 203-FN**, requiring the department of transportation to alleviate safety issues at an intersection in Ossipee.

Ought to Pass, Vote 4-0.

Senator D'Allesandro for the committee.

**SB 204-FN**, relative to Purple Heart and Pearl Harbor survivor number plates.

Ought to Pass, Vote 3-1.

Senator Daniels for the committee.

**SB 216-FN**, relative to differential pay for state troopers and relative to crowd control by marine patrol officers.

Inexpedient to Legislate, Vote 3-1.

Senator Reagan for the committee.

**HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES**

**SB 235-FN**, relative to Medicaid reimbursement to schools for students with medical needs and establishing a home and community based behavioral health services program for children.

Ought to Pass, Vote 4-0.

Senator Bradley for the committee.

**SB 237-FN**, relative to telemedicine services.

Ought to Pass, Vote 4-0.

Senator Fuller Clark for the committee.

**PUBLIC AND MUNICIPAL AFFAIRS**

**SB 72**, including certificates of deposit in the public deposit investment pool.

Ought to Pass with Amendment, Vote 4-0.

Senator Birdsell for the committee.

**SB 170**, relative to the authority of towns to issue bonds for the expansion of broadband infrastructure.

Inexpedient to Legislate, Vote 3-1.

Senator Gray for the committee.

**SB 174-L**, relative to municipal parking surcharges and parking maintenance and operations.

Ought to Pass, Vote 3-2.

Senator Kahn for the committee.

**SB 202-FN**, allowing community investment in a development finance institution.

Inexpedient to Legislate, Vote 4-0.

Senator Birdsell for the committee.

**WAYS AND MEANS**

**SB 74-FN**, relative to economic revitalization zone tax credits.

Ought to Pass with Amendment, Vote 3-2.

Senator Daniels for the committee.

**SB 75-FN**, establishing a tax credit against business profits taxes for donations to career and technical education centers.

Re-refer to Committee, Vote 3-2.

Senator Sanborn for the committee.

**SB 76-FN-A**, establishing an option to rebate the research and development tax credit against business profits taxes, and making an appropriation therefor.

Re-refer to Committee, Vote 3-2.

Senator Sanborn for the committee.

**SB 77-FN-A**, relative to expense deductions under the business profits tax.

Ought to Pass, Vote 3-2.

Senator Sanborn for the committee.

**SB 183-FN**, establishing the New Hampshire technology sector marketing tax credit.

Re-refer to Committee, Vote 3-2.

Senator Daniels for the committee.

**SB 188-FN**, establishing a nonpartisan revenue estimator position in the department of administrative services.

Inexpedient to Legislate, Vote 3-2.

Senator Sanborn for the committee.

## AMENDMENTS

Energy and Natural Resources

January 11, 2017

2017-0019s

08/10

### Amendment to SB 30

Amend RSA 483-B:5-b, III as inserted by section 3 of the bill by replacing it with the following:

III. ***Applications for the*** construction of public roads, public utility lines and associated structures, [and] facilities, [and] public water access facilities, ***and projects solely funded by municipal, county, state, or federal entities*** shall be exempt from the permitting fees of paragraph I [~~and the abutter notification requirements of paragraph IV-a~~].

Amend RSA 483-B:9, V(a)(2)(D)(iv) as inserted by section 7 of the bill by replacing it with the following:

(iv) If the total tree and sapling score in any [50] **25** foot by 50 foot segment exceeds [50] **25** points, then trees, saplings, and shrubs over 3 feet in height may be removed as long as the sum of the scores for the remaining trees and saplings in that segment does not total less than [50] **25** points. If for any reason there is insufficient area for a full segment, or the segment contains areas ***naturally*** incapable of supporting trees and saplings, such as areas of rock, ledge, or beaches, the point score requirement for the remaining vegetation in that partial segment shall be reduced proportionally to that required of a full segment. Vegetation shall not be removed from any segment which fails to meet the minimum point score for that segment. Owners are encouraged to take efforts to plan the maintenance of their waterfront buffer areas including the planting of additional non-invasive vegetation to increase point scores within segments, thus providing sufficient points to allow the future removal of vegetation as may become necessary while still meeting the requirements of this paragraph.

Commerce

February 22, 2017

2017-0555s

04/05

### Amendment to SB 41-FN-A

Amend the bill by replacing sections 1-2 with the following:

1 New Section; Skilled Technology Worker Recruiting Fund. Amend RSA 6 by inserting after section 38 the following new section:

6:38-a Skilled Technology Worker Recruiting Fund.

I. There is hereby established in the office of the treasurer the skilled technology worker recruiting fund which shall be kept distinct and separate from all other funds. Annual state appropriations and other funds from state or federal sources, and any gifts, grants, or donations, shall be credited to the fund which shall be administered by the New Hampshire Higher Education Assistance Foundation to provide educational debt relief of up to \$5,000 for each skilled technology worker who is employed in the technology sector in the state. The New Hampshire Higher Education Assistance Foundation shall establish the application, award, and disbursement procedures necessary to comply with this section.

II. The state treasurer shall invest the fund in accordance with RSA 6:8. Any earnings on fund moneys shall be added to the fund.

III. All moneys in the fund shall be nonlapsing and shall be continually appropriated to the fund for the purpose of providing skilled technology worker educational debt relief as provided in this section.

2 Appropriation. The sum of \$2,000,000 for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2018, and the sum of \$2,000,000 for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2019, are hereby appropriated to the skilled technology worker recruiting fund established in RSA 6:38-a. The governor is authorized to draw a warrant for said sums out of any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated.

2017-0555s

### AMENDED ANALYSIS

This bill establishes a skilled technology worker recruiting fund in the office of the state treasurer to provide educational debt relief to skilled technology workers who are employed in the technology sector in the state and makes an appropriation for the biennium ending June 30, 2019.

Energy and Natural Resources

February 2, 2017

2017-0275s

10/05

### Amendment to SB 48

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

AN ACT establishing a commission to study the efficiency and effectiveness of the fish and game department's operations, governance, and management structure.

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

1 Declaration of Purpose. The duties of the fish and game department include management of the state's fish, wildlife, and habitat; off-highway recreational vehicle training and enforcement; conducting search and rescue operations; and administering the statewide public boat access program. Over the past several years, the department has seen declining revenue from license fees and an increase in operating expenses, including information technology, retiree health insurance, employee benefits, and utility costs. While the number of the department's hunting, fishing, and trapping constituents has been declining, non-consumptive users who benefit from the department's efforts to conserve and protect wildlife species and habitats have been on the rise. It was noted in the January 2008 audit of the department that this broader user base has not been well integrated into the governance, policy making, and financial support of the department. It is in the best interests of both wildlife and the people of New Hampshire that the financial operations, management, and governance of the department are structured in a way that is representative, efficient, effective, and financially secure.

2 New Section; Fish and Game; Study Commission Established. Amend RSA 206 by inserting after section 1-c the following new section:

206:1-d Commission Established.

I. There is established a commission to study the efficiency and effectiveness of the fish and game department's operations, governance, and management structure.

II. The members of the commission shall be as follows:

(a) One member of the senate appointed by the president of the senate.

(b) Three members of the house of representatives, at least one of whom shall be from the fish and game and marine resources committee, and one of whom shall be from the finance committee, appointed by the speaker of the house of representatives.

(c) The executive director of the fish and game department.

(d) One member of the fish and game commission, appointed by the chairperson of the fish and game commission.

(e) One person representing hunting, fishing, or trapping, appointed by the speaker of the house of representatives.

(f) One person representing non-hunting wildlife interests, appointed by the president of the senate.

(g) One person representing land conservation organizations, appointed by the governor.

(h) One member representing the New Hampshire Guides' Association, appointed by the association.



- (i) One member representing recreational interests, appointed by the president of the senate.
- (j) One member representing the general public, appointed by the governor.

III. The members of the commission shall elect a chairperson from among the members. The first meeting of the commission shall be called by the senate member. The first meeting of the commission shall be held within 45 days of the effective date of this section. Seven members of the commission shall constitute a quorum.

IV. Legislative members of the commission shall receive mileage at the legislative rate when attending to the duties of the commission.

V. The commission shall make recommendations to improve the management, governance, and long-term financial health of the fish and game department, including but not limited to the fish and game commission membership and authority, the department's name, new revenue sources, and other organizational and structural improvements that will better enable the department to carry out its statutory responsibilities. In developing recommendations, the commission shall:

- (a) Review the findings of the 2008 legislative budget assistant's performance audit of the fish and game department.
- (b) Solicit input from the fish and game department, the fish and game commission, and the public.
- (c) Review governance structures and long-term funding mechanisms of other states' wildlife agencies.
- (d) Review additional reports and studies it deems appropriate to its purpose.

VI. Appropriate legislative research entities shall provide assistance and support to the commission as necessary and as requested by the chairperson.

VII. The commission may form subcommittees or appoint technical committees composed of commission members and nonmembers to advance the goals of this section.

VIII. The commission may accept financial support or other resources and expend such sums in the development of its work and reports.

IX. The commission shall report its findings and recommendations for proposed legislation to the president of the senate, the speaker of the house of representatives, the senate clerk, the house clerk, the governor, the chairperson of the house fish and game and marine resources committee, the chairperson of the senate energy and natural resources committee, and the state library on or before January 1, 2018.

3 Repeal. RSA 206:1-d, relative to the commission to study changes to the fish and game commission and department, is repealed.

#### 4 Effective Date.

- I. Section 3 of this act shall take effect January 1, 2018.
- II. The remainder of this act shall take effect upon its passage.

2017-0275s

### AMENDED ANALYSIS

This bill establishes a commission to study the efficiency and effectiveness of the fish and game department's operations, governance, and management structure.

Senate Executive Departments and Administration  
February 22, 2017  
2017-0570s  
10/08

#### Amendment to SB 53

Amend RSA 310-B:2-a, XVI as inserted by section 1 of the bill by replacing it with the following:

XVI. "Uniform Standards of Professional Appraisal Practice" or "USPAP" means the current standards of the appraisal profession, developed for appraisers and users of appraisal services by the Appraisal Standards Board of the Appraisal Foundation.

Amend the section heading of section 2 of the bill by replacing it with the following:

2 New Sections; Appraisal Management Companies. Amend RSA 310-B by inserting after section 12-o the following new sections:

Amend section 2 of the bill by inserting after RSA 310-B:12-t the following new RSA section:

310-B:12-u Application; Appraisal Management Company Provisions. Nothing in RSA 310-B:12-b through RSA 310-B:12-t shall be construed to limit the board's ability to enforce the remainder of this chapter or the administrative rules adopted by the board against persons licensed or registered by the board.

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

3 Repeals. The following are repealed:

I. RSA 310-B:2, XVII, relative to the definition of appraisal management company.

II. RSA 310-B:2, XX, relative to the definition of appraiser panel.

2017-0570s

#### AMENDED ANALYSIS

This bill adds definitions and requirements for the operation in this state of appraisal management companies registered by the real estate appraiser board.

Public and Municipal Affairs

February 22, 2017

2017-0574s

10/01

#### Amendment to SB 72

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

AN ACT establishing a committee to study certain investments by municipalities.

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

1 Committee Established. There is established a committee to study certain investments by municipalities.

2 Membership and Compensation.

I. The members of the committee shall be as follows:

(a) Two members of the senate, one from the senate finance committee and one from the public and municipal affairs committee, appointed by the president of the senate.

(b) Three members of the house of representatives, one of whom shall be from the house finance committee and one of whom shall be from the house ways and means committee, appointed by the speaker of the house of representatives.

II. Members of the committee shall receive mileage at the legislative rate when attending to the duties of the committee.

3 Duties. The committee's study shall include, but not be limited to:

I. Allowing town treasurers to deposit money into certificates of deposit offered through the public deposit investment pool.

II. Permitting municipalities to invest in a development finance institution.

4 Chairperson; Quorum. The members of the study committee shall elect a chairperson from among the members. The first meeting of the committee shall be called by the first-named senate member. The first meeting of the committee shall be held within 60 days of the effective date of this section. Two members of the committee shall constitute a quorum.

5 Report. The committee shall report its findings and any recommendations for proposed legislation to the president of the senate, the speaker of the house of representatives, the senate clerk, the house clerk, the governor, and the state library on or before November 1, 2018.

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



2017-0574s

#### AMENDED ANALYSIS

This bill establishes a committee to study certain investments by municipalities.

Senate Ways and Means

February 22, 2017

2017-0572s

01/10

#### Amendment to SB 74-FN

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

2017-0572s

#### AMENDED ANALYSIS

This bill requires a taxpayer applying for economic revitalization zone tax credits to provide written certification to the commissioner of resources and economic development that it has expanded the commercial or industrial base in a designated economic revitalization zone and created new jobs in the state. This bill also requires the commissioner of resources and economic development to certify each application for an economic revitalization zone tax credit.

Capital Budget

February 23, 2017

2017-0594s

05/01

#### Amendment to SB 94-FN-A

Amend the bill by replacing section 1 with the following:

1 Capital Appropriation; Housing Finance Authority; Affordable Housing Fund. The sum of \$5,000,000 for the biennium ending June 30, 2019, is hereby appropriated to the housing finance authority for deposit in the affordable housing fund established in RSA 204-C:57, for the purpose of providing financing or state matching funds for affordable housing. The appropriation shall be in addition to any other funds appropriated to the housing finance authority.

Election Law and Internal Affairs

February 21, 2017

2017-0538s

03/01

#### Amendment to SB 113

Amend the bill by replacing section 1 with the following:

1 New Subdivision; Electronic Poll Books. Amend RSA 652 by inserting after section 26 the following new subdivision:

#### Electronic Poll Books

652:27 Electronic Poll Books.

I. Cities and towns are hereby authorized to conduct a trial of electronic poll book devices for voter registration and check-in for elections. The trial shall be compliant with all statutes directly or indirectly related to voter checklists and maintenance of the statewide centralized voter registration database including the processes related to voter registration and check-in, the processing of absentee ballots, the collection of all fields of data required for registration or check-in, and the delivery of that data to the secretary of state in a format compatible with the statewide centralized voter registration database. The provisions of RSA 654:34, RSA 659:55, RSA 659:13, and RSA 659:102, as they relate to manual entries on a paper checklist, are hereby waived in order to accommodate an electronic poll book, provided the same information required of the voter is obtained and recorded by the electronic poll book. In addition, as required in statute, nonpublic data related to individual voters shall remain confidential, and no voter data shall be used by an electronic poll book vendor or its agents for any purpose other than conducting a program under this section. Adequate back-up systems shall be in place as determined by the local election officials for local elections and the secretary of state for all other elections.

II. The cities and towns shall assume all costs associated with electronic poll books. No electronic poll book program may proceed unless the electronic poll books system and application has been certified by an existing qualified certification organization using certification requirements established by the secretary of state. The secretary of state shall designate at least one certification organization within 2 weeks of the effective date of this section. The secretary of state, within 2 weeks of the effective date of this section, shall prepare requirements for a memorandum of understanding that outlines specific conditions that must be met for compliance with this section. No electronic poll book program may proceed unless the memorandum of understanding is signed by the secretary of state and the mayor or governing body of the town no later than one month prior to the election.

III. Within one month after the initial use of electronic poll books in accordance with this section, the city or town shall submit a report to the secretary of state, who shall review such reports and forward them to the speaker of the house of representatives, the president of the senate, and the chairpersons of the house and senate standing committees with jurisdiction over election law. Each report shall describe the outcome of the program, addressing voter experiences, wait times, voter throughput times, personnel costs, hardware and software costs, and the completeness and accuracy of the data recorded, reported, and submitted for import to the statewide centralized voter registration database.

IV. The secretary of state shall, if necessary, update the requirements for a memorandum of understanding after consultation with the chairpersons of the house and senate standing committees with jurisdiction over election law.

Amend the bill by replacing section 3 with the following:

3 Effective Date.

I. Section 2 of this act shall take effect January 1, 2027.

II. The remainder of this act shall take effect 30 days after its passage.

Senate Executive Departments and Administration

February 22, 2017

2017-0565s

10/05

Amendment to SB 137-FN

Amend the bill by replacing section 1 with the following:

1 New Section; Nursing; Licensure By Endorsement; Vermont, Massachusetts, New York, Connecticut. Amend RSA 326-B by inserting after section 20 the following new section:

326-B:20-a Licensure by Endorsement; Vermont, Massachusetts, New York, Connecticut. Upon submission of a completed application for licensure by endorsement for an RN or LPN license under RSA 326-B:20 or an LNA license under RSA 326-B:21, and meeting the requirements in those sections, an applicant whose current or former residency is in the states of Vermont, Massachusetts, New York, or Connecticut, shall be granted a comparable license by the board.

Senate Executive Departments and Administration

February 22, 2017

2017-0568s

10/08

Amendment to SB 215-FN

Amend the bill by replacing sections 1-3 with the following:

1 State Employee Group Insurance; Community College System Added. Amend RSA 21-I:26 to read as follows:

21-I:26 Purpose and Policy. This subdivision is to provide permanent group life insurance and group hospitalization, hospital medical care, surgical care and other medical and surgical benefits for New Hampshire state employees and their families, and retired state employees and their spouses. ***This subdivision shall also provide access to such benefits, except permanent group life insurance, for the community college system at a cost to the applicable employer to be determined by the commissioner of the department of administrative services.*** In view of the accepted value of group insurance to the well-being and efficiency

of employees on the part of small and large private employers and the other 5 New England states in obtaining benefits of this type of insurance for their employees, the state of New Hampshire implements this subdivision in order that the state shall compare favorably to the standards now commonly accepted by private employers and the state employees in the other 5 New England states by making available to state employees and their families and retired state employees and their spouses permanent group life insurance and group hospitalization, hospital medical care, surgical care and other medical and surgical insurance benefits.

2 New Paragraph; Medical and Surgical Benefits; Community College System Added. Amend RSA 21-I:30 by inserting after paragraph I the following new paragraph:

I-a. The community college system may participate in the group insurance plans provided that:

(a) Prior to any agreement between the department of administrative services and the community college system, the community college system shall provide the department of administrative services with a data file of its health and basic life plan members and the cost data associated with their medical and pharmacy insurance claims for the last 2 years and the department of administrative services shall undertake an assessment of the costs and benefits of the community college system's participation in such plans.

(b) The department of administrative services and the community college system agree on the effective date and the duration of community college system participation in such group insurance plans.

(c) The community college system agrees it would not offer third-party group insurance plans and it agrees to pay the department of administrative services all of associated administrative costs of managing the community college system employee and dependent participation, including any periodic cost increases, reserve adjustments, and reserve requirements.

(d) The community college system agrees to accept the terms of such plans that are collectively bargained every 2 years by the department of administrative services.

(e) The community college system agrees to maintain current employee records including eligibility and enrollment data as required by the department of administrative services.

3 Eligibility. Amend RSA 21-I:32 to read as follows:

21-I:32 Eligibility.

**I.** Only full time state employees shall be authorized to participate, on a voluntary basis, in the permanent group life insurance program. All full time state employees and retired state employees shall be authorized to participate, on a voluntary basis, in the group hospitalization, hospital medical care, surgical care and other medical and surgical benefits program.

***II. Notwithstanding paragraph I, the community college system may participate in the group insurance plans, except permanent group life insurance, at a cost to the employer to be determined by the commissioner of the department of administrative services.***

Commerce  
February 22, 2017  
2017-0556s  
08/04

Amendment to SB 245-FN-A

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

AN ACT establishing a committee to study unemployment tax discounts.

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

1 Committee Established. There is established a committee to study unemployment tax discounts.

2 Membership and Compensation.

I. The members of the committee shall be as follows:

(a) One members of the senate, appointed by the president of the senate.

(b) Three members of the house of representatives, appointed by the speaker of the house of representatives.

II. Members of the committee shall receive mileage at the legislative rate when attending to the duties of the committee.

3 Duties. The committee shall study unemployment tax discounts based on higher balances in the unemployment trust fund and the possibility of implementing a flat unemployment tax rate. The committee shall also solicit input from the department of employment security and the unemployment compensation advisory council.

4 Chairperson; Quorum. The members of the study committee shall elect a chairperson from among the members. The first meeting of the committee shall be called by the first-named senate member. The first meeting of the committee shall be held within 45 days of the effective date of this section. Three members of the committee shall constitute a quorum.

5 Report. The committee shall report its findings and any recommendations for proposed legislation to the president of the senate, the speaker of the house of representatives, the senate clerk, the house clerk, the governor, and the state library on or before November 1, 2017.

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

2017-0556s

#### AMENDED ANALYSIS

This bill establishes a committee to study unemployment tax discounts.

## HEARINGS

***TUESDAY, MARCH 7, 2017***

### **COMMERCE**, Room 100, SH

Sen. Innis (C), Sen. French (VC), Sen. Sanborn, Sen. Soucy, Sen. Lasky

1:00 p.m. **SB 225-FN**, revising the New Hampshire trust code.

1:15 p.m. **SB 226-FN**, relative to eliminating the waiting period before eligibility to receive unemployment benefits.

1:30 p.m. **SB 227-FN**, relative to a workforce development and training fund.

#### **EXECUTIVE SESSION ON PENDING LEGISLATION**

### **EDUCATION**, Room 103, LOB

Sen. Reagan (C), Sen. Giuda (VC), Sen. Ward, Sen. Watters, Sen. Kahn

9:00 a.m. **HB 103**, relative to school district policies regarding objectionable course material.

9:20 a.m. **HB 166**, relative to assessments administered to pupils in grades 3 through 8.

9:40 a.m. **HB 233**, relative to the submission of school emergency response plans.

10:00 a.m. **HB 275**, prohibiting the inclusion of statewide assessment results in a student's transcript without consent.

#### **EXECUTIVE SESSION MAY FOLLOW**

### **ELECTION LAW AND INTERNAL AFFAIRS**, Room 102, LOB

Sen. Birdsell (C), Sen. Gray (VC), Sen. Sanborn, Sen. Soucy, Sen. Woodburn

10:00 a.m. **SB 3**, relative to domicile for voting purposes.

#### **EXECUTIVE SESSION MAY FOLLOW**

### **ENERGY AND NATURAL RESOURCES**, Room 103, SH

Sen. Avard (C), Sen. Bradley (VC), Sen. Innis, Sen. Fuller Clark, Sen. Feltes

9:15 a.m. **SB 120**, relative to the authority of the public utilities commission to regulate telecommunications service providers.

9:45 a.m. **SB 122**, relative to public utility leases.

#### **EXECUTIVE SESSION MAY FOLLOW**

**FINANCE**, Room 103, SH

Sen. Daniels (C), Sen. Reagan (VC), Sen. Giuda, Sen. Morse, Sen. D'Allesandro, Sen. Feltes

1:00 p.m.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION ON PENDING LEGISLATION****HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES**, Room 101, LOB

Sen. Bradley (C), Sen. Avard (VC), Sen. Gray, Sen. Fuller Clark, Sen. Hennessey

1:00 p.m.

**SB 220-FN**, relative to the definition of mental illness for purposes of mental health services.

1:15 p.m.

**SB 222**, relative to the New Hampshire birth conditions program.**and proposed amendment 2017-0584s** (Amendment title - relative to the New Hampshire birth conditions program and relative to the administration of certain prescription medication for treatment of a communicable disease.)

1:30 p.m.

**SB 155**, relative to implementation of the Medicaid managed care program.**EXECUTIVE SESSION MAY FOLLOW****JUDICIARY**, Room 100, SH

Sen. Carson (C), Sen. Lasky (VC), Sen. French, Sen. Gannon, Sen. Hennessey

9:00 a.m.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION ON PENDING LEGISLATION****TRANSPORTATION**, Room 103, LOB

Sen. Birdsell (C), Sen. Gannon (VC), Sen. Ward, Sen. Watters, Sen. McGilvray

1:00 p.m.

**HB 81**, establishing a committee to study gold star number plates.

1:20 p.m.

**HB 154**, relative to interference with traffic devices.

1:40 p.m.

**HB 211-FN**, relative to temporary OHRV registrations for nonresidents.

2:00 p.m.

**HB 237**, establishing a committee to study helmet and restraint laws for youth operators and passengers of OHRVs and snowmobiles.

2:20 p.m.

**HB 508**, naming the New Hampshire Army National Guard Regional Training Institute and Barracks facility in Pembroke after Colonel Edward Cross.**EXECUTIVE SESSION MAY FOLLOW*****WEDNESDAY, MARCH 8, 2017*****CAPITAL BUDGET**, Room 100, SH

Sen. D'Allesandro (C), Sen. Daniels (VC), Sen. Bradley, Sen. Sanborn, Sen. Watters

3:00 p.m.

**HB 368-FN-A**, relative to the heating of certain state-owned buildings in Concord and making appropriations therefor.**EXECUTIVE SESSION MAY FOLLOW****EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENTS AND ADMINISTRATION**, Room 101, LOB

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

9:00 a.m.

Hearing on proposed committee amendment 2017-0583s, relative to court requests for documents in conjunction with petitions for guardianship of a minor and guardianship of an incapacitated person to SB 143, allowing for notarized signatures electronically on court documents. (NOTE: SB 143 was RECESSED on February 22, 2017).

9:30 a.m.

**SB 136**, eliminating the land use board and requiring approval of federal land acquisitions by the governor and council.**EXECUTIVE SESSION MAY FOLLOW****PUBLIC AND MUNICIPAL AFFAIRS**, Room 102, LOB

Sen. Gray (C), Sen. Ward (VC), Sen. Birdsell, Sen. Kahn, Sen. McGilvray

9:05 a.m.

**HB 87**, relative to vacancies in the office of moderator.

9:15 a.m.

**HB 86**, relative to voting on variances.

9:30 a.m. **HB 299**, relative to notice by mail for zoning and planning purposes.  
 9:45 a.m. **HB 123**, relative to continuation of a public hearing of the zoning board of adjustment.  
 10:00 a.m. **HB 108**, relative to municipal record retention and conversion.  
 10:20 a.m. **HB 127**, relative to vacancies in county offices.  
**EXECUTIVE SESSION MAY FOLLOW**

**WAYS AND MEANS**, Room 100, SH

Sen. Sanborn (C), Sen. Giuda (VC), Sen. Daniels, Sen. D'Allesandro, Sen. Feltes

9:00 a.m. **SB 244-FN-A**, relative to exemption of income from taxation under the tax on interest and dividends.  
**EXECUTIVE SESSION MAY FOLLOW**

***TUESDAY, MARCH 14, 2017***

**COMMERCE**, Room 100, SH

Sen. Innis (C), Sen. French (VC), Sen. Sanborn, Sen. Soucy, Sen. Lasky

1:00 p.m. **SB 82**, relative to labeling for maple syrup.  
 1:15 p.m. **SB 85**, amending the Uniform Securities Act.  
 1:30 p.m. **SB 84**, relative to payment of workers' compensation benefits by direct deposit.  
**EXECUTIVE SESSION ON PENDING LEGISLATION**

**MEETINGS**

***FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 24, 2017***

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

9:30 a.m. Room 303, LOB Regular Meeting

**GOVERNOR'S COMMISSION ON ALCOHOL AND DRUG ABUSE PREVENTION, TREATMENT, AND RECOVERY (RSA 12-J:1)**

9:30 a.m. Rooms 305-307, LOB Regular Meeting

**NEW HAMPSHIRE GEOGRAPHIC INFORMATION SYSTEM (GIS) COMMITTEE (RSA 4-F:1)**

10:00 a.m. NH Department of Transportation Regular Meeting  
 7 Hazen Drive, Room 114  
 Concord, NH

**COMMISSION TO REVIEW CHILD ABUSE FATALITIES (RSA 169-C:39-k)**

1:00 p.m. Room 100, SH Regular Meeting  
 3:30 p.m. Room 100, SH Subcommittee Meeting  
 (or Immediately following  
 the Full Commission Meeting)

***MONDAY, FEBRUARY 27, 2017***

**INTERBRANCH CRIMINAL AND JUVENILE JUSTICE COUNCIL (RSA 651-E:2)**

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

***WEDNESDAY, MARCH 1, 2017***

**COMMISSION TO STUDY VOLUNTEER HEALTH CARE SERVICES (RSA 126-A:72)**

3:00 p.m. Room 205, LOB Regular Meeting



## ***MONDAY, MARCH 6, 2017***

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

9:00 a.m.	NH Higher Education Assistance Foundation 4 Barrell Court Concord, NH	Investment Committee Meeting
10:00 a.m.	NH Higher Education Assistance Foundation 4 Barrell Court Concord, NH	Regular Meeting

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

1:00 p.m.	Room 212, LOB	Organizational and Regular Meeting
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### **ADVANCED MANUFACTURING EDUCATION ADVISORY COUNCIL (RSA 188-E:21)**

3:00 p.m.	Room 100, SH	Regular Meeting
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## ***TUESDAY, MARCH 7, 2017***

### **STATE VETERANS ADVISORY COMMITTEE (RSA 115-A:2)**

5:00 p.m.	NH National Guard Air Facility 26 Regional Drive Concord, NH	Regular Meeting
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## ***WEDNESDAY, MARCH 8, 2017***

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

8:00 a.m.	Room 205, LOB	Regular Meeting
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## ***THURSDAY, MARCH 9, 2017***

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

3:30 p.m.	NH Department of Education Londergan Hall, Room 15 101 Pleasant Street Concord, NH	Regular Meeting
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## ***FRIDAY, MARCH 10, 2017***

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

9:30 a.m.	Room 303, 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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### **ELECTRIC UTILITY RESTRUCTURING LEGISLATIVE OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE (RSA 374-F:5)**

10:00 a.m.	Room 304, LOB	Organizational 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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### **NEW HAMPSHIRE STATE HOUSE BICENTENNIAL COMMISSION (RSA 17-R:1)**

10:00 a.m.	Room 308, LOB	Regular Meeting
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### ***MONDAY, MARCH 13, 2017***

**COMMITTEE TO STUDY RSA 461-A, RELATIVE TO PARENTAL RIGHTS AND RESPONSIBILITIES**  
(HB 378, Chapter 281:1, Laws of 2016)

9:00 a.m.                      Rooms 306-308, LOB                      Subcommittee Work Session Meeting  
on Sections A, B, C and D.

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

9:00 a.m.                      Room 305, LOB                      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

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

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

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

2:00 p.m.                      Brain Injury Association of NH                      Regular Meeting  
52 Pleasant Street  
Concord, NH

### ***THURSDAY, MARCH 16, 2017***

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

2:30 p.m.                      Walker Building, Room 100                      Regular Meeting  
21 South Fruit Street  
Concord, NH

### ***FRIDAY, MARCH 17, 2017***

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

9:00 a.m.                      NH PUC, Suite 10                      Regular Meeting  
21 South Fruit Street  
Concord, NH

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

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

### ***MONDAY, MARCH 20, 2017***

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

9:00 a.m.                      NH Veterans Home                      Regular Meeting  
Tarr South Conference Room  
139 Winter Street  
Tilton, NH

### ***THURSDAY, MARCH 23, 2017***

**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, MARCH 24, 2017***

**NEW HAMPSHIRE RAIL TRANSIT AUTHORITY (RSA 238-A:2)**

9:00 a.m.                      Room 203, LOB                      Regular Meeting

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

9:30 a.m.

Room 303, LOB

Regular Meeting

**NH-CANADIAN TRADE COUNCIL (RSA 12-A:2-g)**

10:00 a.m.

Room 100, SH

Regular Meeting

***WEDNESDAY, APRIL 12, 2017*****ADVISORY COUNCIL ON LACTATION (RSA 275:76)**

11:00 a.m.

Room 103, LOB

Regular Meeting

***FRIDAY, APRIL 14, 2017*****FISCAL COMMITTEE OF THE GENERAL COURT (RSA 14:30-a)**

10:00 a.m.

Rooms 210-211, LOB

Regular Business

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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 2017-2018 BILLS:**

**SENATE BILLS: 7, 10, 56, 66, 90, 105, 117, 132, 203, 205, 228, 229, 238, 243, 246**

**HOUSE BILLS: 259**

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**NOTICES****TUESDAY, MARCH 7, 2017**

The N.H. Retail Lumber Association is hosting a legislative breakfast on Tuesday, March 7<sup>th</sup> in the State House Cafeteria. Legislators and staff are invited to stop by anytime from 8:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m. to enjoy a hot breakfast and the opportunity to meet your local building material dealers and learn more about the independent building material industry.

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

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**TUESDAY, MARCH 7, 2017 AND THURSDAY, MARCH 16, 2017**

Legislators interested in learning more about the New Hampshire Retirement System are invited to attend a general information session at the NHRS Office, 54 Regional Drive, Concord. These sessions - not to be confused with the benefit information sessions regularly offered for members - are intended to serve as "NHRS 101," providing a broad, factual overview of the retirement system. The presentation is the same as one that has been given to some House committees in recent weeks. Sessions have been scheduled for Tuesday, March 7<sup>th</sup>, at 4:30 p.m., and Thursday, March 16<sup>th</sup>, at 10:00 a.m. Both sessions are also open to the general public. The presentations are expected to last between 60 and 75 minutes. Seating is limited, so pre-registration is encouraged. RSVP by contacting Marty Karlon, Public Information Officer, at 410-3594 or [marty.karlon@nhrs.org](mailto:marty.karlon@nhrs.org).

Senator Sharon Carson

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**WEDNESDAY, MARCH 8, 2017**

The NH Water Pollution Control Association ([nhwpca.org](http://nhwpca.org)) is holding a legislative breakfast focused on water infrastructure: water treatment, wastewater, and storm water management. All Legislators are invited. It will be March 8<sup>th</sup>, 7:00 a.m. to 8:30 a.m., at the Holiday Inn on Main Street in Concord. RSVP by February 24<sup>th</sup> to Elizabeth Harrington at (603) 321-7012 or [nhwpca.elizabeth@gmail.com](mailto:nhwpca.elizabeth@gmail.com). There is no cost for this event.

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

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**WEDNESDAY, MARCH 8, 2017**

All legislators and legislative employees are cordially invited to attend the New Hampshire Energy Future Breakfast at the Grappone Center on Wednesday, March 8<sup>th</sup>. Check-in for the event begins at 7:00 a.m. with a breakfast buffet. Municipal and business panels, moderated by Kevin Smith and Steve Duprey will discuss challenges and opportunities related to energy in New Hampshire. This breakfast is hosted by NH Clean Tech Council, NH Community Development Finance Authority, The Nature Conservancy, NH Businesses for Social Responsibility and others. For more information and to register for this event and other events taking place during Energy Week please email: [info@bfreshconsulting.com](mailto:info@bfreshconsulting.com).

Senator Andy Sanborn

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**THURSDAY, MARCH 9, 2017**

The members of the NH Snowmobile Association cordially invite all Senate members and staff to a reception in the State House cafeteria on Thursday, March 9<sup>th</sup>, from 7:30 a.m. to 9:30 a.m. where a breakfast will be served. We look forward to seeing you there.

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

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**TUESDAY, MARCH 14, 2017**

The American Red cross cordially invites all legislative members and staff to the annual State House Complex Blood Drive. The blood drive will take place on Tuesday, March 14<sup>th</sup> from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. The American Red Cross state of the art self – contained coach will be parked out in front of the State House for this event. Give blood and you could help save three lives.

Appointments are strongly encouraged. To schedule an appointment, please call the State House Health Services, Ext. 2757. The Red Cross launched a new tool called Rapid Pass which allows you to do the 40 appointment questions online @ [redcrossblood.org/RapidPass](http://redcrossblood.org/RapidPass) and then print it and bring it with you to your appointment.

Senator Jeb Bradley, Senate Majority Leader

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**THURSDAY, MARCH 16, 2017**

The Adult Day Services of New Hampshire will be hosting a legislative breakfast on Thursday, March 16<sup>th</sup> from 8:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m. at the State House cafeteria. A continental breakfast will be served. Directors of Adult Day Services will be on hand to discuss budgetary concerns as well as services they provide to older residents of NH and their families.

Senator Chuck W. Morse, Senate President

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### THURSDAY, MARCH 23, 2017

Breathe New Hampshire invites all legislators and staff to attend a Breakfast Reception on Thursday, March 23<sup>rd</sup> from 8:00 a.m. to 9:30 a.m. in the State House Cafeteria. Stop by for a light breakfast, take a free breathing test, enter a raffle and meet some of our volunteers who are helping New Hampshire residents breathe better and live longer! Please RSVP to [info@breathenh.org](mailto:info@breathenh.org) or by calling 603-669-2411.

Senator Lou D'Allesandro

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## SENATE SCHEDULE

Monday, February 27, 2017 –  
Friday, March 3, 2017

Thursday, March 9, 2017

Thursday, March 30, 2017

Thursday, May 11, 2017

Monday, May 29, 2017

Thursday, June 1, 2017

Thursday, June 8, 2017

Thursday, June 15, 2017

Thursday, June 22, 2017

Tuesday, July 4, 2017

Monday, September 4, 2017

Friday, November 10, 2017

Thursday, November 23, 2017

Friday, November 24, 2017

Monday, December 25, 2017

### SENATE BREAK

Deadline for Policy Committees to ACT on all Senate bills with a fiscal impact, except bills exempted pursuant to Senate Rule 4-5.

CROSSOVER – Deadline to ACT on all Senate bills.

Deadline for Policy Committees to ACT on all House bills with a fiscal impact, except bills exempted pursuant to Senate Rule 4-5.

Memorial Day (State Holiday)

Deadline to ACT on all House bills.

Deadline to FORM Committees of Conference.

Deadline to SIGN Committee of Conference Reports.

Deadline to ACT on Committee of Conference Reports.

Independence Day (State Holiday)

Labor Day (State Holiday)

Veteran's Day (State Holiday)

Thanksgiving Day (State Holiday)

Day after Thanksgiving (State Holiday)

Christmas Day (State Holiday)