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## SENATE CALENDAR

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**THE SENATE WILL MEET IN SESSION ON  
THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 1, 2018 AT 10:00 A.M.**

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## **LAI D ON THE TABLE**

**SB 344-FN**, authorizing New England Donor Services, Inc. to issue decals for multi-use decal number plates.  
**01/18/2018, Pending Motion OT3rdg, Transportation, SJ 2**

**SB 375**, requiring gross expenditures and funding in the state operating budget. **01/18/2018, Pending Motion OT3rdg, Finance, SJ 2**

**SB 397-FN**, authorizing the university system of New Hampshire to issue decals for multi-use decal plates.  
**01/18/2018, Pending Motion OT3rdg, Transportation, SJ 2**

**CACR 20**, relating to the retirement age of judges. Providing that the retirement age of judges be increased.  
**01/18/2018, No Pending Motion, Judiciary, SJ 2**

## **CONSENT CALENDAR REPORTS**

### **COMMERCE**

**SB 303**, relative to a security freeze on a consumer's credit report.  
Ought to Pass, Vote 5-0.  
Senator Lasky for the committee.

This bill is an attempt to allow our consumers to better protect their financial security by eliminating the \$10 fee paid to the credit bureaus. Now the law states in order to take action to protect one's credit one must prove that their credit has been compromised and adds a \$10 fee. This legislation removes that \$10 fee and allows you to freeze your credit for free.

**SB 312**, clarifying the New Hampshire Foundation Act.  
Ought to Pass, Vote 5-0.  
Senator Innis for the committee.

This bill makes three simple technical corrections to the Foundation Act. First, it clarifies that the principal office of a foundation need not be located in New Hampshire. This is consistent with the LLC Act, the Corporations Act and the Trust Act. It also adds a missing "and" and corrects a cross reference to the "General Powers" section of the Act. Finally, it adds a cross reference to the "Capital" section of the Act, to clarify that the language in this section limiting a founders powers must be read in conjunction with the "Reserved Power" section.

**SB 315**, relative to the definition of beverage.  
Ought to Pass with Amendment, Vote 5-0.  
Senator Innis for the committee.

Mead is fermented with three basic ingredients: honey, yeast and water. It isn't classified as beer or wine, but stands apart in its own rank of alcoholic beverage. The amendment defines "mead" in statute and includes mead in the RSA that allows the commission to approve a malted beverage greater than 6 but not to exceed 8 percent of alcohol.

**SB 319**, relative to exempt securities.  
Ought to Pass, Vote 5-0.  
Senator Soucy for the committee.

This bill modifies the exemption from securities regulation for government issued securities including any industrial development bond or industrial revenue bond. NH is currently one of only 9 states that requires that when these securities are sold to the public a notice needs to be filed. NH is such a small state that it does not make sense for a bond issuer from other states to file a form and pay a fee in NH. The fee is modest but the legal and accounting costs to prepare the form far exceed the amount of the fee. This puts NH at a competitive disadvantage.

**SB 348**, relative to senior-specific certifications or designations for securities broker-dealers.

Ought to Pass, Vote 5-0.

Senator Soucy for the committee.

The Legislature recently recodified the Securities Act but this particular provision was omitted. This bill would prohibit the use of senior designations unless the designation has been issued by a group that has been recognized by the nationally recognized accrediting organization. The original statute dealing with professional designation arose as a result of financial professionals that were falsely implying that they had expertise in senior issues and trying to capitalize on that market by offering products which may or may not have suited senior citizens. It is important to correct this oversight so the bureau can protect this age group that has been targeted in the past. In addition the bill makes technical corrections to federal and state statutory citations.

**SB 429-FN**, extending the authority of the department of justice to trade or commerce involving insurance.

Ought to Pass with Amendment, Vote 5-0.

Senator French for the committee.

The original intent of this bill was to remove the insurance commissioner from the consumer protection act because although not law or a rule, the commission wouldn't allow anyone to go before the commission who was being represented by an attorney. The committee amendment replaces all and allows the insured to be represented by an attorney in dispute with an insurer in front of the commission as well as codifying other policies of the department. Adding this to statute clears up any confusion with the department.

## **EDUCATION**

**SB 349**, relative to course requirements in a career and technical education program.

Ought to Pass, Vote 5-0.

Senator Watters for the committee.

This bill includes a career and technical education program in the non-mathematics content area courses a student may take to fulfill the competency in mathematics requirement. This legislation seeks to clarify and reassert the intent of the fourth-year math program that was implemented several years ago so that it applies to career and technical education (CTE) programs.

**SB 356**, adding a representative from the community college system to the apprenticeship advisory council.

Ought to Pass, Vote 5-0.

Senator Giuda for the committee.

This bill adds a representative from the community college system of New Hampshire (CCSNH) to the apprenticeship advisory council. CCSNH has made important strides in building apprenticeship programs and relationships with employers and community organizations statewide. Adding a representative from the CCSNH would allow them to expand their work to include others on the council as they work to expand apprenticeships to industries beyond the traditional trades, such as healthcare, IT, and advanced manufacturing.

**SB 361**, relative to dual and concurrent enrollment agreements between high schools and colleges and universities.

Ought to Pass with Amendment, Vote 5-0.

Senator Kahn for the committee.

As amended, this legislation extends the dual and concurrent enrollment program to high school courses approved for credit by the university system of New Hampshire. It also requires the department of education and the university system to develop a model dual and concurrent enrollment agreement to be used by participating school districts.

**SB 382**, relative to withdrawal from cooperative school districts.

Ought to Pass, Vote 5-0.

Senator Giuda for the committee.

At the request of the Department of Education, this bill requires certain cooperative school districts to amend their articles of agreement to include a method of withdrawal from the cooperative district. Issues to be considered shall include, but are not limited to, the process for ongoing education following withdrawal or dissolution, maintenance of student records, employment issues, on-going liability issues, capital issues, and bond issues.

## **ENERGY AND NATURAL RESOURCES**

**SB 448**, establishing a commission to study the establishment of a state department of energy.

Ought to Pass with Amendment, Vote 5-0.

Senator Fuller Clark for the committee.

This bill will create a commission to study the establishment of a state department of energy. Currently, state energy policy is addressed through many different state agencies, leaving the public confused about where to access information regarding energy policy and programs. SB 448 will examine the potential to create a single state agency or consolidation under another agency in order to better provide information and support to an area of policy that is both intricate and complex.

## **EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENTS AND ADMINISTRATION**

**SB 531-FN**, relative to the office of professional licensure and certification.

Ought to Pass, Vote 5-0.

Senator Reagan for the committee.

The legislation provides for the Office of Professional Licensure and Certification to establish by rule and collect fees for boards and commissions administered by their office and to deposit these fees in the Office of Professional Licensure and Certification Fund. In addition, this creates one unit for budgetary purposes to track financing and to know when fee structures may need to be reviewed.

**SB 534-FN**, relative to the classification of certain state employee positions.

Ought to Pass with Amendment, Vote 5-0.

Senator Reagan for the committee.

This legislation, which was a request of the Joint Committee on Employee Classification, revises the salaries and titles of certain unclassified employees in the department of health and human services, in addition to increasing certain salaries in order to recruit and retain qualified personnel. The amendment corrects a typographical error in the original bill.

## **JUDICIARY**

**SB 338**, relative to the growing of cannabis if it becomes legal.

Interim Study, Vote 5-0.

Senator Hennessey for the committee.

This bill would have allowed New Hampshire farmers to legally grow cannabis if cannabis were to become legal in the State. The Committee is aware of the ongoing Commission that is reviewing the concept of cannabis legalization and therefore, would like the Commission to have the opportunity to study this issue before moving forward.

**SB 386**, relative to access to criminal records.

Ought to Pass, Vote 5-0.

Senator Lasky for the committee.

This bill will allow a person to request and receive a copy of the criminal conviction of another person without requiring the individual's authorization to be notarized. Fundamentally, this removes the redundancy of confirming the identity of an individual when their identity is already confirmed through fingerprinting.

**SB 496-FN**, relative to mediation for child support arrearages over \$5,000.

Ought to Pass with Amendment, Vote 5-0.

Senator Carson for the committee.

This bill will permit mediation for child support arrearages on any claim involving an arrearage for a period of eight weeks or more. The Committee amended the bill in order for the filing of the motion to be time-based rather than amount-based.

**SB 558-FN**, relative to discrimination based on pregnancy or lactation.

Interim Study, Vote 5-0.

Senator Carson for the committee.

This bill would create a cause of action for a person who believes she has been discriminated against by an employer for breast-feeding. The Committee will be examining this issue in SB497-FN and therefore, requests the bill be moved to Interim Study to prevent any confusion.

**SB 574-FN**, clarifying the repayment period for parental reimbursement.

Ought to Pass with Amendment, Vote 5-0.

Senator Gannon for the committee.

This bill clarifies the reimbursement period for which a parent or guardian may be required to reimburse the state for services provided in a juvenile court proceeding. The bill is a request of the Department of Health and Human Services and the Committee amended the bill to place delinquency orders in line with CHINs orders in regards to ending the obligation of parental reimbursement upon the death of a child.

### **TRANSPORTATION**

**SB 347**, relative to seasonal highway weight limits.

Inexpedient to Legislate, Vote 5-0.

Senator Watters for the committee.

This bill would delete the requirement that the district engineer, department of transportation, approve vehicle exclusions from seasonal highway weight limit regulations. The Senate Transportation Committee believes that since the state has a role in maintaining roads throughout New Hampshire, a district engineer should still be consulted in approving these exclusions from seasonable highway weight limit regulations.

## **REGULAR CALENDAR REPORTS**

### **COMMERCE**

**SB 428**, relative to the payment of weekly and biweekly wages.

Ought to Pass, Vote 4-1.

Senator Innis for the committee.

### **EDUCATION**

**SB 355-FN**, relative to the names of colleges in the community college system.

Ought to Pass with Amendment, Vote 4-1.

Senator Reagan for the committee.

### **ENERGY AND NATURAL RESOURCES**

**SB 444**, relative to cutting timber near certain waters and public highways.

Ought to Pass, Vote 3-2.

Senator Innis for the committee.

**SB 445**, designating the Warner River as a protected river.

Ought to Pass, Vote 5-0.

Senator Bradley for the committee.

**SB 528-FN-L**, relative to dam registration fees and relative to permit fees for constructing or reconstructing a dam.

Ought to Pass with Amendment, Vote 5-0.

Senator Bradley for the committee.

### **EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENTS AND ADMINISTRATION**

**SB 371**, establishing the Meldrim Thomson, Jr. Memorial Commission.

Ought to Pass with Amendment, Vote 3-2.

Senator Carson for the committee.

**SB 457-FN**, waiving initial licensure fees for indigent applicants for certain professions.

Inexpedient to Legislate, Vote 3-2.

Senator Reagan for the committee.

**SB 460**, relative to the terms and qualifications for the adjutant general and deputy adjutant general.

Inexpedient to Legislate, Vote 3-2.

Senator Carson for the committee.

**SB 465-FN**, relative to documentation requirements for the department of labor.

Inexpedient to Legislate, Vote 4-1.

Senator Soucy for the committee.

### **FINANCE**

**SB 63**, relative to record management of abuse and neglect reports and establishing a pilot program and making an appropriation therefor.

Ought to Pass with Amendment, Vote 4-0.

Senator Reagan for the committee.

**SB 240-FN-L**, relative to the monitoring and treatment of contaminated wells.

Ought to Pass with Amendment, Vote 5-0.

Senator D'Allesandro for the committee.

**SB 372-FN-A**, establishing positions in the office of professional licensure and certification and making an appropriation therefor.

Ought to Pass with Amendment, Vote 5-0.

Senator Reagan for the committee.

**SB 467-FN-A**, relative to the state art fund.

Inexpedient to Legislate, Vote 5-0.

Senator Reagan for the committee.

**SB 471**, relative to the authority of municipalities to address potential natural threats.

Ought to Pass with Amendment, Vote 5-0.

Senator Giuda for the committee.

**SB 472**, establishing a committee to study the creation of an economic improvement fund.

Inexpedient to Legislate, Vote 3-2.

Senator Reagan for the committee.

**SB 539-FN-A**, making appropriations to the department of education for adequate education grants.

Ought to Pass with Amendment, Vote 6-0.

Senator D'Allesandro for the committee.

**HB 549-FN**, relative to beverage vendor fees.

Ought to Pass with Amendment, Vote 4-1.

Senator Giuda for the committee.

## **HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES**

**SB 310-FN**, establishing a pilot program for community-based diversion services.

Ought to Pass, Vote 4-0.

Senator Avarad for the committee.

**SB 378-FN**, relative to an exemption from the board of registration of medical technicians.

Ought to Pass, Vote 4-0.

Senator Gray for the committee.

**SB 477**, establishing a therapeutic cannabis medical oversight board.

Ought to Pass with Amendment, Vote 4-0.

Senator Hennessey for the committee.

**SB 482-FN**, relative to confidential emergency medical and trauma services data.

Ought to Pass, Vote 3-0.

Senator Hennessey for the committee.

**SB 488**, relative to licensure of health care professionals employed at the Manchester Veterans Affairs Medical Center.

Ought to Pass, Vote 4-0.

Senator Bradley for the committee.

**SB 549-FN-A**, making an appropriation to the department of health and human services for the Sununu health services center and relative to infants born with substance abuse or withdrawal symptoms resulting from prenatal drug exposure or fetal alcohol spectrum disorder.

Ought to Pass with Amendment, Vote 4-0.

Senator Gray for the committee.

**SB 551-FN**, relative to deductibles under health insurance policies.

Interim Study, Vote 4-0.

Senator Bradley for the committee.

## **JUDICIARY**

**SB 387-FN**, relative to liability of governmental units.

Ought to Pass, Vote 4-1.

Senator Carson for the committee.

**SB 390-FN**, establishing the office of solicitor general in the department of justice and establishing an unclassified attorney position in the department of justice.

Ought to Pass, Vote 4-1.

Senator Carson for the committee.



**SB 492-FN**, prohibiting bump stocks in New Hampshire.  
Interim Study, Vote 3-2.  
Senator Carson for the committee.

#### **PUBLIC AND MUNICIPAL AFFAIRS**

**SB 507**, proclaiming June as post-traumatic stress injury (PTSI) awareness month.  
Ought to Pass, Vote 5-0.  
Senator Birdsell for the committee.

#### **TRANSPORTATION**

**SB 402**, naming a portion of route 110 in Berlin in honor of Anthony B. Urban.  
Ought to Pass, Vote 5-0.  
Senator Watters for the committee.  
**SB 521-FN**, authorizing Sophia's Fund to issue decals for multi-use decal plates.  
Ought to Pass, Vote 5-0.  
Senator Gannon for the committee.

## **AMENDMENTS**

Senate Finance  
January 24, 2018  
2018-0260s  
05/04

#### **Amendment to SB 63**

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

AN ACT relative to record management of abuse and neglect reports and establishing a pilot program regarding electronic storage of abuse and neglect records.

Amend the bill by deleting section 6 and renumbering the original section 7 to read as 6.

2018-0260s

#### **AMENDED ANALYSIS**

This bill revises the record retention requirements for founded, unfounded, and screened-out reports of abuse or neglect; establishes a pilot program regarding electronic storage of abuse and neglect records; and establishes certain classified positions within the department of health and human services.

Senate Finance  
January 17, 2018  
2018-0154s  
08/03

#### **Amendment to SB 240-FN-LOCAL**

Amend RSA 485-C:6-c as inserted by section 1 of the bill by replacing it with the following:

485-C:6-c Contaminated Wells; Monitoring. Upon receiving information that a drinking water well that is not a source for a public water system exhibits the presence of a man-made contaminant, other than road salt, but the concentration does not exceed an existing ambient groundwater quality standard, the department shall determine if the contaminant is increasing in the well by primarily measuring the contaminants in the well and comparing such measurements to any previous measurements, and therefore, should be monitored and whether it is possible to identify the source of the contaminant. If a responsible party is identified as the source of the contaminant and the department determines monitoring is warranted, the department shall require the responsible party to monitor the contamination at a frequency sufficient to provide advance warning of any exceedance of the standard. If the department determines that monitoring trends or other available information reasonably suggest that the concentration of the contaminant in the well is likely to exceed the ambient groundwater quality standard prior to the next scheduled monitoring date, the responsible party shall provide treatment or an alternative supply of drinking water that meets all applicable standards and is approved by the department.

Commerce  
January 24, 2018  
2018-0283s  
08/04

#### Amendment to SB 315

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

AN ACT relative to the definitions of beverage and of mead.

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

1 Beverage; Definition. Amend RSA 175:1, VIII to read as follows:

VIII. "Beverage" means any beer, wine, similar fermented malt or vinous liquors and fruit juices, and any other liquid intended for human consumption as a beverage having an alcoholic content of not less than 1/2 of one percent by volume and not more than 6 percent alcohol by volume at 60 degrees Fahrenheit and specialty beer as defined in RSA 175:1, LXIV-a. The commission may approve any fermented malt beverage **or mead** greater than 6 percent but not to exceed 8 percent or any cider greater than 6 percent.

2 New Paragraph; Definitions; Mead. Amend RSA 175:1 by inserting after paragraph XLVIII the following new paragraph:

XLVIII-a. "Mead" means an alcoholic beverage primarily made from honey, water, and yeast, and which may contain fruit, fruit juices, spices, or herbs added before or after fermentation as completed, except that the ratio of fermentable sugars from honey must exceed 50 percent of the total fermentable sugars used to produce mead.

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

2018-0283s

#### AMENDED ANALYSIS

This bill defines mead and allows the liquor commission to approve certain meads.

Senate Education  
January 23, 2018  
2018-0255s  
04/10

#### Amendment to SB 355-FN

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

AN ACT relative to the names of the colleges in the community college system and making an appropriation therefor.

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

1 Community College System of New Hampshire; Names of Institutions. Amend RSA 188-F:13 to read as follows:

188-F:13 Names of the Colleges. The ~~[names of the]~~ respective colleges of the community college system of New Hampshire shall ~~[be established, and may be changed, upon approval by the board of trustees and approval by the governor and council]~~ **each bear the designation "New Hampshire state college." This designation shall be followed by a specific, geographically or regionally appropriate designation to be determined by the board of trustees.**

2 Pre-Engineering and Technology Advisory Council; Membership. Amend RSA 188-E:16, I(d) to read as follows:

(d) The president of the ~~[New Hampshire technical institute]~~ **New Hampshire state college in the city of Concord**, or designee.

3 Advanced Manufacturing Education Advisory Council; Membership. Amend RSA 188-E:22, I(e) to read as follows:

(e) The president of the ~~[New Hampshire technical institute]~~ **New Hampshire state college in the city of Concord**, or designee.



4 Appropriation. The sum of \$500,000 for the biennium ending June 30, 2019 is hereby appropriated to the community college system of New Hampshire for the payment of expenses related to the renaming and rebranding of the colleges in the community college system pursuant to section 1 of this act. This sum is in addition to any other sums appropriated to the community college system of New Hampshire for the biennium. The governor is authorized to draw a warrant for said sum out of any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated.

5 Effective Date.

I. Section 4 of this act shall take effect July 1, 2018.

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

2018-0255s

#### AMENDED ANALYSIS

This bill changes the names of the colleges in the community college system of New Hampshire, authorizes the community college system board of trustees to determine part of that name, and makes an appropriation for the renaming.

Senate Education  
January 23, 2018  
2018-0244s  
06/05

#### Amendment to SB 361

Amend RSA 188-E:25, I as inserted by section 1 of the bill by replacing it with the following:

I. "Concurrent enrollment" means courses taught at the high school by high school teachers approved by the community college system of New Hampshire (CCSNH) **or the university system of New Hampshire**, in which high school students earn both high school and college or university credit while students are still attending high school or a career technical education center.

Amend the bill by replacing section 2 with the following:

2 Dual and Concurrent Enrollment Program; Enrollment Requirements. Amend RSA 188-E:27, I to read as follows:

I. An interested high school student in grade 11 or 12 may enroll in a course that is designated by the CCSNH **or the university system of New Hampshire** as part of the dual and concurrent enrollment program.

Amend RSA 188-E:28, I as inserted by section 3 of the bill by replacing it with the following:

I. No later than July 1, 2018, the school board of each school district shall develop and adopt a policy permitting students residing in the district who are in grade 11 or 12 to participate in the dual and concurrent enrollment program. The policy shall, at a minimum, include compliance with measurable educational standards and criteria approved by the CCSNH **and/or the university system of New Hampshire** and that meet the same standard of quality and rigor as courses offered on campus by the CCSNH **and/or the university system of New Hampshire**. The policy shall also comply with the standards for accreditation and program development established by the National Alliance for Concurrent Enrollment Partnerships. The policy shall include, but not be limited to, student eligibility criteria, standards for course content, standards for faculty approval, program coordination and communication requirements, tuition and fees, textbooks and materials, course grading policy, data collection, maintenance, and security, revenue and expenditure reporting, and process for renewal of the agreement.

Amend RSA 188-E:28, III as inserted by section 3 of the bill by replacing it with the following:

**III. The department of education and the university system of New Hampshire shall develop and approve a model dual and concurrent enrollment agreement that shall be used by the school board of a school district participating in the dual and concurrent enrollment agreement program. The model agreement shall include standards established by the university system of New Hampshire, and shall include elements, standards, and criteria that have been approved by the department of education, and shall serve as the framework for the development, implementation, and administration of the dual and concurrent enrollment program in each school district by clearly defining the procedures related to concurrent and dual enrollment of high school students in college classes.**

2018-0244s

## AMENDED ANALYSIS

This bill:

I. Extends the dual and concurrent enrollment program to high school courses approved for credit by the community college system of New Hampshire and the university system of New Hampshire.

II. Requires the department of education and the university system to develop a model dual and concurrent enrollment agreement to be used by participating school districts.

Senate Executive Departments and Administration

January 11, 2018

2018-0106s

08/04

## Amendment to SB 371

Amend RSA 4:9-o, III as inserted by section 1 of the bill by replacing it with the following:

III. The commission shall select the design for the Meldrim Thomson, Jr. memorial and oversee the construction and maintenance of the memorial.

Senate Finance

January 24, 2018

2018-0262s

10/01

## Amendment to SB 372-FN-A

Amend the bill by replacing section 1 with the following:

1 Office of Professional Licensure and Certification; New Classified Positions; Appropriation.

I. Three license clerk positions, labor grade 11, are hereby established as classified positions in the office of professional licensure and certification.

II. The amount necessary to pay for the positions established in paragraph I, which shall be in addition to any sums appropriated in AU 01-21-21-212010-2405 and AU 01-21-21-215010-2406 for the divisions of technical professions and health professions, is hereby appropriated to the executive director of the office of professional licensure and certification. The governor is authorized to draw a warrant for such sum out of any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated.

2018-0262s

## AMENDED ANALYSIS

This bill establishes 3 license clerk positions in the office of professional licensure and certification and makes an appropriation therefor.

This bill is a request of the office of professional licensure and certification.

Commerce

January 24, 2018

2018-0279s

03/01

## Amendment to SB 429-FN

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

AN ACT establishing a consumer services program within the insurance department.

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

1 New Section; Consumer Services Program. Amend RSA 400-A by inserting after section 15-d the following new section:

400-A:15-e Consumer Services Program.

I. The commissioner shall maintain a program to investigate complaints and respond to inquiries received, and, when warranted, refer matters for enforcement, further investigation, or examination against insurers, producers, or any other entity subject to the regulatory authority of the commissioner. The program shall include, but not be limited to, the following:

- (a) A toll-free telephone number dedicated to the handling of complaints and inquiries.
- (b) A standardized complaint form designed to assure that complaints will be properly registered and tracked.
- (c) Maintenance of a comprehensive database of complaints and inquiries adequate to promote efficient case handling and to allow department analysts to discern potential issues with regulated entities and market trends that require follow up and potential regulatory action.
- (d) The commissioner shall, if deemed appropriate, notify insurers, producers, or other regulated entities against whom the complaint is made of the nature of the complaint, may request appropriate relief for the complainant, and may meet and confer with the complainant and the regulated entity in order to mediate the complaint. This section shall not be construed to give the commissioner power to adjudicate claims.
- (e) Retention of records on complaints and inquiries consistent with the insurance department's general record retention policy.
- (f) Sharing of complaint information, pursuant to RSA 21-U, with other state agencies regulating financial services.
- (g) Referral of complaints not within the department's jurisdiction to appropriate public and private agencies.
- (h) Complaint handling goals that can be tested against consumer satisfaction surveys carried out pursuant to paragraph V.
- (i) Inclusion in the department's annual report to the governor and council, required under RSA 400-A:26, detailed information regarding the program required by this section, that shall include, but not be limited to: a description of the operation of the complaint handling process, listing the number of complaints and inquiries received; enforcement actions taken pursuant to complaints received; the amount of staffing resources devoted to the handling and resolution of complaints; and the amount of recoveries made on behalf of consumers.

II. The commissioner may establish a secure, online complaint response system to distribute and receive complaint information from insurers and other regulated entities. Insurers or other regulated entities shall be required to submit and receive complaint information, including, but not limited to, requested claim files, underwriting files, correspondence, and other supporting documents, using any system established by the commissioner pursuant to this paragraph.

III.(a) In receiving complaints and inquiries, investigating complaints, and responding to complaints and inquiries by members of the public concerning the handling of insurance claims by insurers or producers, or alleged misconduct by insurers or producers, the commissioner shall not decline to investigate complaints for any of the following reasons:

- (1) The insured is represented by an attorney in a dispute with an insurer, or is in mediation or arbitration.
- (2) The insured has a civil action against an insurer.
- (3) The complaint is from an attorney, if the complaint is based upon evidence or reasonable beliefs about violations of law known to an attorney because of a civil action.

(b) Consistent with the principles of res judicata and administration and judicial economy, the commissioner may defer any mediation effort or enforcement proceeding related to a complaint until the finality of a dispute, mediation, arbitration, or civil action involving the claim is known.

(c) Nothing in this section shall be construed to waive the confidential and privileged nature of all documents, materials, or other information in possession of the department pursuant to an investigation of a complaint as provided in RSA 400-A:16.

IV. In coordination with the consumer services program, the commissioner shall provide for the education of, and dissemination of information to, members of the general public concerning insurance matters. The commissioner may in person or through employees of the department meet with individuals, organizations, and associations interested in insurance for the purpose of securing cooperation in the enforcement

of the insurance laws of this state and may disseminate information concerning the insurance laws of this state for the assistance and information of the public. In addition, the commissioner shall arrange for public service announcements, website information, social media statements, and other outreach efforts reasonably designed to inform consumers of the availability of the department's consumer assistance program and how to register a complaint or make an inquiry to the department.

V. The department shall include, with each notification of final action to a complainant, or, at a minimum, with a number of randomly selected notifications of final action sufficient to assure the validity of results, a complaint handling consumer satisfaction evaluation form. This form shall clearly and concisely seek an evaluation of the department's performance in handling the complainant's grievance. The areas of evaluation shall include, but not be limited to: whether the complaint was handled in a fair and reasonable manner, evaluated thoroughly and without bias; the time required for resolution of the complaint; whether the complaint was referred and, if so, whether it was referred within a satisfactory time; whether the staff involved in handling the complaint demonstrated an adequate knowledge of the issues involved in the complaint; whether the complainant was satisfied with the result of the department's intervention; and whether the complainant would recommend the department's complaint handling services to others.

VI. The commissioner shall ascertain patterns of complaints by insurer, geographic area, insurance line, type of violation, and any other valid basis the commissioner may deem appropriate for further investigation, and periodically evaluate the complaint patterns to determine additional examination, investigative, or enforcement actions which may be taken by the commissioner, and report on all actions taken with respect to those patterns of complaints in his or her annual report to the governor and council pursuant to RSA 400-A:26, and to the public. For the purposes of this paragraph, complaints mean those written complaints received by the commissioner under paragraph I, and written complaints received by the commissioner from any other sources, alleging misconduct or unlawful acts by insurers or production agencies.

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

2018-0279s

#### AMENDED ANALYSIS

This bill establishes within the insurance department a consumer services program to investigate complaints and respond to inquiries.

Energy and Natural Resources

January 16, 2018

2018-0158s

06/01

#### Amendment to SB 448

Amend RSA 162-H:23, I as inserted by section 1 of the bill by inserting after subparagraph (k) the following new subparagraphs:

(l) One representative of the New Hampshire High Tech Council, appointed by the council.

(m) The consumer advocate, or designee.

(n) The commissioner of safety, or designee.

Amend RSA 162-H:23, IV as inserted by section 1 of the bill by replacing it with the following:

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

Senate Finance

January 24, 2018

2018-0261s

08/04

#### Amendment to SB 471

Amend RSA 21-P:37-c, II(a) as inserted by section 1 of the bill by replacing it with the following:

(a) When the President of the United States declares an area a federal disaster area and a municipality has applied for federal emergency assistance from the Federal Emergency Management Administration (FEMA), the governor, with the approval of the executive council, may approve a loan in the amount up to the anticipated assistance from FEMA from funds not otherwise appropriated.

Amend RSA 21-P:37-c as inserted by section 1 of the bill by replacing paragraphs VI and VII with the following:

VI. If the state treasury provides advance funding to a municipality that has applied for and is waiting for FEMA disaster relief funding, the interest rate to be assessed on such advance funding shall be no greater than the prevailing rate at which the state treasury is able to invest its commingled cash.

VII. If the amount of FEMA assistance a municipality receives is less than the exceptional disaster relief loan, the state treasurer, with the advice and consent of governor and council, shall negotiate terms of repayment of the difference. If the municipality and the state treasurer are unable to reach an agreement, the department of revenue administration shall include the amount in the amount apportioned for setting property tax rates.

VIII. The director of homeland security and emergency management shall administer the exceptional disaster relief loan program.

Health and Human Services

January 25, 2018

2018-0306s

01/03

#### Amendment to SB 477

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

1 New Paragraph; Use of Cannabis for Therapeutic Purposes; Rules. Amend RSA 126-X:6 by inserting after paragraph III the following new paragraph:

IV. The department shall adopt rules relative to the therapeutic cannabis medical oversight board's public hearing process pursuant to RSA 126-X:12, IV.

2 New Section; Use of Cannabis for Therapeutic Purposes; Therapeutic Cannabis Medical Oversight Board. Amend RSA 126-X by inserting after section 11 the following new section:

126-X:12 Therapeutic Cannabis Medical Oversight Board Established; Membership; Duties.

I. There is hereby established the therapeutic cannabis medical oversight board which shall monitor and contribute to the oversight of the clinical, quality, and public health related matters of the use of cannabis for therapeutic purposes under this chapter.

II. The board shall consist of the medical director, department of health and human services, or designee, a qualifying patient, appointed by the commissioner of the department, a clinical representative from an alternative treatment center, appointed by the commissioner, and 10 medical providers also appointed by the commissioner. The medical provider members shall represent the following fields:

- (a) Neurology.
- (b) Pain management.
- (c) Oncology.
- (d) Psychiatry.
- (e) Pediatrics.
- (f) Family or Internal Medicine.
- (g) Obstetrics and Gynecology.
- (h) Addiction.
- (i) Palliative care.
- (j) Physiatry/orthopedics.

III. At its first meeting the board shall elect by majority vote a chairperson and an alternate. A quorum shall consist of a majority of members.

IV. The board shall convene at least 2 times per year to monitor and contribute to the oversight of the clinical, quality, and public health related matters of therapeutic cannabis under this chapter by:

(a) Reviewing medical and scientific evidence pertaining to currently approved and additional qualifying conditions.

(b) Reviewing laboratory results of required testing of cannabis cultivated and/or processed by an alternative treatment center and the use of pesticides on products under RSA 126-X:6, III(a)(16).

(c) Monitoring clinical outcomes.

(d) Reviewing training protocols for dispensary staff based on models from other states.

(e) Receiving updates from alternative treatment centers on effectiveness of various strains, types of cannabinoids, and different routes of administration for specific conditions.

(f) Reviewing best practices for medical providers regarding provider education, certification of patients, and patient access to the program.

(g) Reviewing any other clinical, quality, and public health related matter relative to use of cannabis under this chapter.

V. The board may make recommendations to the commissioner to add or remove qualifying medical conditions under RSA 126-X:1, IX based on the findings pursuant to subparagraph IV(a) and after receiving input from the public through a public hearing process. The commissioner may recommend legislation based on the board's findings.

VI. On or before January 1 of each year, the board shall make a report to the president of the senate, the speaker of the house of representatives, the oversight committee on health and human services established under RSA 126-A:13, the board of medicine, the board of nursing, and the therapeutic use of cannabis advisory council established in RSA 126-X:9.

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

2018-0306s

#### AMENDED ANALYSIS

This bill establishes the therapeutic cannabis medical oversight board which shall monitor and contribute to the oversight of the clinical, quality, and public health related matters of the use of cannabis for therapeutic purposes law under RSA 126-X.

Senate Judiciary  
January 25, 2018  
2018-0301s  
04/05

#### Amendment to SB 496-FN

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

AN ACT relative to mediation for certain child support arrearages.

Amend the bill by replacing section 1 with the following:

1 Parental Rights and Responsibilities; Support. Amend RSA 461-A:14, XVIII to read as follows:

XVIII. Any motion for contempt of a court order regarding nonpayment of child support, if filed by a parent, shall be reviewed by the court within 30 days. *Any claim involving an arrearage for a period of 8 weeks or more may be scheduled for mediation through the court within 30 days of the filing of the motion for contempt of court unless a hearing on the motion is scheduled earlier.*



2018-0301s

# AMENDED ANALYSIS

This bill permits mediation for child support arrearages for a period of 8 weeks or more to be scheduled through the court.

Energy and Natural Resources  
January 24, 2018  
2018-0268s  
08/03

## Amendment to SB 528-FN-LOCAL

Amend RSA 482:9, II(a) through (d) as inserted by section 2 of the bill by replacing it with the following:

- (a) Non-hazard potential dam [~~\$2,000~~] **\$2,500**
- (b) Low hazard potential dam [~~\$3,000~~] **\$3,500**
- (c) Significant hazard potential dam [~~\$4,000~~] **\$5,000**
- (d) High hazard potential dam [~~\$4,000~~] **\$6,000**

Senate Executive Departments and Administration  
January 24, 2018  
2018-0275s  
05/04

## Amendment to SB 534-FN

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

1 Compensation of Certain State Officers; Salaries Established. Amend RSA 94:1-a, I(b) by deleting the following:

- I. EE Department of health and human services, administrator, bureau of division of elderly services and adult community services
- II. HH Department of information technology, chief information security officer
- III. II Department of administrative services, assistant commissioner
- IV. II New Hampshire hospital, chief executive officer
- V. PP Department of health and human services, unit director, medical

2 Compensation of Certain State Officers; Salaries Established. Amend RSA 94:1-a, I(b) by inserting the following:

- I. FF Banking department, general counsel
- II. HH Department of administrative services, project management, innovation and operational analysis unit, director
- III. HH New Hampshire hospital, chief operating officer
- IV. HH Department of information technology, assistant chief information security officer
- V. II Department of information technology, chief information security officer
- VI. JJ Department of administrative services, assistant commissioner
- VII. JJ Department of health and human services, associate commissioner, operations
- VIII. JJ Department of health and human services, associate commissioner, population health
- IX. KK Department of business and economic affairs, commissioner

Amend RSA 94:3-b, II(b) as inserted by section 3 of the bill by replacing it with the following:

***(b) Associate medical examiner, department of justice, \$160,000 - \$240,000***

Amend the bill by replacing all after section 3 with the following:

4 New Section; Bank Commissioner; General Counsel. Amend RSA 383 by inserting after section 5 the following new section:

383:5-a General Counsel. The commissioner shall appoint a general counsel, who shall serve at the pleasure of the commissioner. The general counsel shall perform such duties and exercise such powers as the commissioner may authorize.

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

2018-0275s

#### AMENDED ANALYSIS

This bill revises the salaries for certain unclassified positions and adjusts salaries for recruitment and retention purposes. The bill also establishes the position of general counsel in the banking department.

Senate Finance  
January 24, 2018  
2018-0273s  
06/10

#### Amendment to SB 539-FN-A

Amend the bill by replacing section 1 with the following:

1 Appropriation; Department of Education; Additional Adequate Education Grants to Certain Municipalities. The sum of \$1,483,428 for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2018 is hereby appropriated to the department of education for the purpose of providing additional adequate education grants to certain municipalities as calculated in RSA 198:40-a and 198:41 in the amount of \$684,498 for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2016 and \$798,930 for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2017, specifically related to amounts calculated pursuant to RSA 198:40-a, II(e) which were not distributed to those municipalities in that fiscal year. Said sum shall be a charge against the education trust fund established in RSA 198:39. Notwithstanding RSA 198:42, the commissioner of the department of education shall disburse a lump sum to each municipality.

Health and Human Services  
January 25, 2018  
2018-0310s  
05/01

#### Amendment to SB 549-FN-A

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

AN ACT relative to plans of safe care for infants affected by substance abuse or withdrawal symptoms from prenatal drug exposure or fetal alcohol spectrum disorder.

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

1 New Section; Protection for Maternity and Infancy; Plan of Safe Care. Amend RSA 132 by inserting after section 10-d the following new section:

132:10-e Notification and Development of a Plan of Safe Care. Health care providers involved in the delivery or care of infants born with and identified as being affected by substance abuse or withdrawal symptoms resulting from prenatal drug exposure or a fetal alcohol spectrum disorder shall notify the department of health and human services of the occurrence of such condition. The health care provider shall develop a plan of safe care, in cooperation with the department of health and human services, division of public health services and division for children, youth and families, as appropriate, and with the infant's parents or guardians to ensure the infant's safety and well-being following release from the care of the health care provider. The plan shall take into account whether the infant's prenatal substance exposure is a result of the use of medication prescribed for the mother by a health care provider. Such exposure shall not form the basis for a referral to the department for potential abuse or neglect, but shall be included in the plan of safe care provided to the department to ensure the safety and well-being of the infant, to address health and substance use treatment needs of the infant and affected family member or caregiver, and to ensure that appropriate referrals are made and services are delivered to the infant and affected family member or caregiver.

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

2018-0310s

## AMENDED ANALYSIS

This bill directs health care providers to develop, in conjunction with the department of health and human services and the child's parent or guardian, a plan of safe care for a child born with substance abuse or withdrawal symptoms resulting from prenatal drug exposure or a fetal alcohol spectrum disorder.

Senate Judiciary  
January 25, 2018  
2018-0314s  
05/01

## Amendment to SB 574-FN

Amend the bill by inserting after section 3 the following and renumbering the original section 4 to read as 5:

4 New Subparagraph; Delinquent Children; Parental Reimbursement Obligation. Amend RSA 169-B:40, I by inserting after subparagraph (f) the following new subparagraph:

(g) If at any point during the reimbursement period, the child or recipient of services dies, no future payments from the parent or person chargeable by law for the child's support and necessities shall be required, provided that proof of death has been provided to the department of health and human services, and the reimbursement obligation shall be dismissed for payments beyond the date of death of the child or recipient. Accrued unpaid reimbursements in arrears shall continue to be paid.

2018-0314s

## AMENDED ANALYSIS

This bill clarifies the reimbursement period for which a parent or guardian may be required to reimburse the state for services provided in a juvenile court proceeding. The bill also provides that in delinquency cases, the parental reimbursement obligation ends upon the death of the child receiving the benefit of services.

Senate Finance  
January 17, 2018  
2018-0153s  
03/08

## Amendment to HB 549-FN

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

- 1 Repeal. RSA 178:29, III(b), relative to beverage vendor license fee, is repealed.
- 2 Effective Date. This act shall take effect July 1, 2018.

2018-0153s

## AMENDED ANALYSIS

This bill eliminates beverage vendor license fees.

## HEARINGS

***TUESDAY, JANUARY 30, 2018***

**COMMERCE**, Room 100, SH

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

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| 1:00 p.m. | <b>SB 413</b> , relative to name availability for business organizations. |
| 1:15 p.m. | <b>SB 414-FN</b> , establishing a condominium dispute resolution board.   |
| 1:30 p.m. | <b>SB 415</b> , relative to condominium unit owners' special meetings.    |
| 1:45 p.m. | <b>SB 416</b> , relative to transportation network company drivers.       |
| 2:00 p.m. | <b>SB 419</b> , relative to votes by condominium unit owners.             |
|           | <b>EXECUTIVE SESSION MAY FOLLOW</b>                                       |

**EDUCATION**, Room 103, LOB

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

- 9:00 a.m. **SB 442**, relative to surety indemnification requirements for private postsecondary career schools.
- 9:20 a.m. **SB 432-FN-L**, relative to an elective course in SAT preparation.
- 9:40 a.m. **SB 433**, relative to the annual filing of statistical reports to the department of education.
- 10:00 a.m. **SB 434**, relative to school nurse certification.
- EXECUTIVE SESSION MAY FOLLOW**

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

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

9:00 a.m. **EXECUTIVE SESSION ON PENDING LEGISLATION****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 447**, relative to issuance of renewable energy certificates.
- 9:30 a.m. **SB 452**, relative to renewable energy fund incentive payments.
- 9:45 a.m. **SB 529-FN**, authorizing river maintenance in the town of Warren.
- 10:00 a.m. **SB 450-FN-A**, establishing an advisory commission for the department of environmental services relative to the delegation of authority of the National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System Program.
- 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. **CACR 21**, relative to alcohol and drug abuse prevention. Providing that a portion of liquor commission revenue shall be used for alcohol and drug abuse prevention.
- 1:15 p.m. **SB 542-FN**, relative to the use of funds in the revenue stabilization reserve account for public health emergencies.
- 1:30 p.m. **SB 579-FN**, relative to penalties for welfare fraud.
- 1:45 p.m. **SB 580**, creating class lines within the department of transportation.
- EXECUTIVE SESSION MAY FOLLOW**

**HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES**, Room 101, LOB

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

- 1:00 p.m. **EXECUTIVE SESSION ON PENDING LEGISLATION**
- 1:30 p.m. **SB 591-FN**, relative to accreditation of health care providers by pharmacy benefit managers.
- 1:45 p.m. **SB 547**, relative to unused prescription drugs.
- 2:00 p.m. **SB 491**, relative to food protection services in New Hampshire.
- 2:15 p.m. **SB 383**, establishing a commission to assess benefits and costs of a "health care for all" program for New Hampshire.
- EXECUTIVE SESSION MAY FOLLOW**

**JUDICIARY**, Room 100, SH

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

- 9:00 a.m. **SB 389**, relative to administrative fees on restitution.
- 9:15 a.m. **SB 493**, establishing a committee to study the codification of the exculpatory evidence schedule and related law enforcement protocols.

- 9:30 a.m. **SB 494**, relative to access to child abuse or neglect information by certain legislative committees.
- 9:45 a.m. **SB 495**, relative to certain court orders in a divorce/custody matter.
- 10:00 a.m. **SB 501**, relative to immunity for campground owners.
- EXECUTIVE SESSION MAY FOLLOW**

**TRANSPORTATION**, Room 103, LOB

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

- 1:00 p.m. **SB 515**, relative to commemorative license plates.
- 1:15 p.m. **SB 517**, establishing an electric vehicle charging stations infrastructure commission.
- 1:30 p.m. **SB 522**, relative to alteration of speed limits.
- 1:45 p.m. **SB 585-FN**, authorizing the New Hampshire Breast Cancer Coalition to issue decals for multi-use decal plates.
- 2:00 p.m. **SB 398**, relative to information contained in certain motor vehicle records.
- EXECUTIVE SESSION MAY FOLLOW**

***WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 31, 2018***

**EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENTS AND ADMINISTRATION**, Room 101, LOB

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

- 9:00 a.m. **SB 532-FN**, relative to group II status of certain department of corrections officials.
- 9:20 a.m. **SB 533-FN**, relative to the composition and compensation of the personnel appeals board.
- 9:40 a.m. **SB 536-FN**, relative to eligibility for death benefits for court security officers.
- 10:00 a.m. **SB 538-FN**, including police officers of the capital area police unit in group II of the retirement system.
- 10:15 a.m. **SB 570-FN**, relative to the work requirement for the child care scholarship program.
- 10:35 a.m. **SB 578-FN**, relative to unclassified positions within the department of health and human services.
- EXECUTIVE SESSION MAY FOLLOW**

**PUBLIC AND MUNICIPAL AFFAIRS**, Room 102, LOB

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

- 9:00 a.m. **SB 513**, establishing September as New Hampshire recovery month.
- 9:10 a.m. **SB 514-FN**, establishing a commission to create a New Hampshire recovery monument.
- 9:20 a.m. **SB 512**, relative to compact sections of towns.
- 9:40 a.m. **SB 511**, establishing an optional tax credit for deployed military personnel.
- 10:00 a.m. **SB 509**, allowing municipalities to require income and expense information of business properties for tax appraisals.
- 10:20 a.m. **SB 510**, relative to municipal notice of leases on tax-exempt property.
- EXECUTIVE SESSION MAY FOLLOW**

***TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 6, 2018***

**COMMERCE**, Room 100, SH

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

- 1:00 p.m. **SB 418**, relative to nano breweries and defining table wine.
- 1:15 p.m. **SB 417**, relative to days of rest for employees of recreation camps and youth skill camps.
- 1:30 p.m. **SB 422**, relative to advance notice of work schedules.
- 1:45 p.m. **SB 423**, relative to noncompete clauses for low-wage employees.

- 2:00 p.m. **SB 314**, relative to licensure requirements for nondepository mortgage bankers, brokers, and servicers.
- 2:15 p.m. **SB 316**, relative to the regulation of online auctions.
- EXECUTIVE SESSION MAY FOLLOW**

**EDUCATION**, Room 103, LOB

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

- 9:00 a.m. **SB 435**, relative to alternative programs for granting credit leading to graduation.
- 9:15 a.m. **SB 436**, relative to tuition in the community college system.
- 9:30 a.m. **SB 437**, relative to the robotics education development program.
- 9:45 a.m. **SB 441**, relative to final grades in schools.
- EXECUTIVE SESSION MAY FOLLOW**

## MEETINGS

### *FRIDAY, JANUARY 26, 2018*

**COMMITTEE TO STUDY EDUCATION FUNDING AND THE COST OF AN OPPORTUNITY FOR AN ADEQUATE EDUCATION (HB 356, Chapter 190:1, Laws of 2017)**

10:00 a.m. Room 209, LOB Regular Meeting

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

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

**JOINT LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE TO EXAMINE THE INDEPENDENT REVIEW OF THE DIVISION FOR CHILDREN, YOUTH AND FAMILIES (HB 517, Chapter 156:244, Laws of 2017)**

1:00 p.m. Room 205, LOB Subcommittee Work Session Meeting

### *MONDAY, JANUARY 29, 2018*

**COMMISSION TO STUDY THE APPORTIONMENT OF GROSS BUSINESS PROFITS UNDER THE BUSINESS PROFITS TAX (RSA 77-A:23)**

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

**COMMITTEE TO STUDY CERTAIN INVESTMENTS BY MUNICIPALITIES (SB 72, Chapter 37:1, Laws of 2017)**

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

**COMMISSION TO STUDY CURRENT MENTAL HEALTH PROCEDURES FOR INVOLUNTARY COMMITMENT (RSA 135-C:63-c)**

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

### *FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 2, 2018*

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

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

### *MONDAY, FEBRUARY 5, 2018*

**COMMISSION TO STUDY THE LEGALIZATION, REGULATION, AND TAXATION OF MARIJUANA (RSA 318-B:43)**

10:15 a.m. Room 202, LOB Regular Meeting

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

1:00 p.m. Room 205, LOB Subcommittee Meeting - Foster Care



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

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

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

5:00 p.m. NH National Guard Regional Training Institute  
722 Riverwood Drive  
Pembroke, NH Regular Meeting

***FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 9, 2018*****WORKERS' COMPENSATION ADVISORY COUNCIL (RSA 281-A:62)**

9:00 a.m. Room 303, LOB Regular Meeting

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

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

**COMMISSION TO STUDY ENVIRONMENTALLY-TRIGGERED CHRONIC ILLNESS (RSA 126-A:73)**

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

**COMMISSION TO STUDY GRANDFAMILIES IN NEW HAMPSHIRE (RSA 170-G:17)**

10:00 a.m. Rooms 306-308, LOB Regular Meeting

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

10:00 a.m. Room 307, LOB Regular Meeting

**NEW HAMPSHIRE CANADIAN TRADE COUNCIL (RSA 12-O:22)**

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

***SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 11, 2018*****LEGISLATIVE YOUTH ADVISORY COUNCIL (RSA 19-K:1)**

1:00 p.m. NHTI Committee College  
Sweeney Crocker Building  
Room 235  
Concord, NH Regular Meeting

***MONDAY, FEBRUARY 12, 2018*****ADVISORY COUNCIL ON CAREER AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION (RSA 188-E:10-b)**

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

**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

**COMMISSION TO STUDY CURRENT MENTAL HEALTH PROCEDURES FOR INVOLUNTARY COMMITMENT (RSA 135-C:63-c)**

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

**COMMISSION TO STUDY THE LEGALIZATION, REGULATION, AND TAXATION OF MARIJUANA (RSA 318-B:43)**

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

**JOINT LEGISLATIVE HISTORICAL COMMITTEE (RSA 17-I:1)**

1:00 p.m.	Room 100, SH	Regular Meeting
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**INTERBRANCH CRIMINAL AND JUVENILE JUSTICE COUNCIL (RSA 651-E:2)**

1:30 p.m.	Room 204, LOB	Regular Meeting
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**NEW HAMPSHIRE COMMISSION ON DEAFNESS AND HEARING LOSS (RSA 125-Q)**

1:30 p.m.	Room 205, LOB	Regular Meeting
2:30 p.m.	Room 205, LOB	Subcommittee Meeting - Early Learning

**SEACOAST COMMISSION ON LONG TERM GOALS AND REQUIREMENTS FOR DRINKING WATER (RSA 485-F:5)**

2:00 p.m.	NHDES Portsmouth Regional Office Pease International Tradeport, Suite 175 222 International Drive Portsmouth, NH	Regular Meeting
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***WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 14, 2018*****WELLNESS AND PRIMARY PREVENTION COUNCIL (RSA 126-M:3)**

9:00 a.m.	New Futures Conference Room 10 Ferry Street Concord, NH	Regular Meeting
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***THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 15, 2018*****LONG RANGE CAPITAL PLANNING AND UTILIZATION COMMITTEE (RSA 17-M:1)**

2:00 p.m.	Room 201, LOB	Regular Business
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**COMMISSION ON POST-TRAUMATIC STRESS DISORDER AND TRAUMATIC BRAIN INJURY (RSA 115-D)**

2:30 p.m.	Walker Building, Room 100 21 South Fruit Street Concord, NH	Regular Meeting
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**CAPITAL BUDGET OVERVIEW COMMITTEE (RSA 17-J:2)**

3:00 p.m.	Room 201, LOB	Regular Business
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***FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 16, 2018*****ADMINISTRATIVE RULES (RSA 541-A:2)**

9:00 a.m.	Rooms 306-308, LOB	Regular Meeting
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**FISCAL COMMITTEE (RSA 14:30-a)**

10:00 a.m.	Rooms 210-211, LOB	Regular Meeting
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**NEW HAMPSHIRE RAIL TRANSIT AUTHORITY (RSA 238-A:2)**

10:00 a.m.	Room 203, LOB	Regular Meeting
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**JOINT LEGISLATIVE INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE (RSA 21-R:9)**

10:30 a.m.	Room 103, LOB	Regular Meeting
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**COMMITTEE TO STUDY MENTAL HEALTH AND SOCIAL SERVICE BUSINESS PROCESS ALIGNMENT AND INFORMATION SYSTEM INTEROPERABILITY (SB 147, Chapter 116:1, Laws of 2017)**

1:00 p.m.	Room 101, LOB	Regular Meeting
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## ***THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 22, 2018***

### **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, FEBRUARY 23, 2018***

### **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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## ***FRIDAY, MARCH 2, 2018***

### **ADMINISTRATIVE RULES (RSA 541-A:2)**

9:00 a.m.	Rooms 306-308, LOB	Continued Meeting
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## ***MONDAY, MARCH 5, 2018***

### **OVERSIGHT COMMISSION ON CHILDREN'S SERVICES (RSA 170-G:19)**

11:00 a.m.	Rooms 305-307, LOB	Regular Meeting
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## ***TUESDAY, MARCH 6, 2018***

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

5:00 p.m.	NH National Guard Regional Training Institute 722 Riverwood Drive Pembroke, NH	Regular Meeting
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## ***THURSDAY, MARCH 8, 2018***

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

3:30 p.m.	NH Department of Education 101 Pleasant Street Concord, NH	Regular Meeting
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## ***FRIDAY, MARCH 9, 2018***

### **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 STATE HOUSE BICENTENNIAL COMMISSION (RSA 17-R:1)**

10:00 a.m.	Room 308, LOB	Regular Meeting
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### **BOARD OF MANUFACTURED HOUSING (RSA 205-A:25)**

1:00 p.m.	Room 307, LOB	Regular Meeting
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## ***MONDAY, MARCH 12, 2018***

### **NEW HAMPSHIRE DRINKING WATER AND GROUNDWATER ADVISORY COMMISSION (RSA 485-F:4)**

8:30 a.m.	Rooms 210-211, LOB	Regular Meeting
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### **NH BRAIN AND SPINAL CORD INJURY ADVISORY COUNCIL (RSA 137-K:2)**

2:00 p.m.	Brain Injury Association of NH 52 Pleasant Street Concord, NH	Regular Meeting
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## ***THURSDAY, MARCH 15, 2018***

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

2:30 p.m.

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

Regular Meeting

## ***FRIDAY, MARCH 16, 2018***

### **ADMINISTRATIVE RULES (RSA 541-A:2)**

9:00 a.m.

Rooms 306-308, LOB

Regular Meeting

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## **SENATE BILLS AMENDED BY THE HOUSE**

### **SENATE BILLS: 215**

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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: 2, 7, 88, 128, 132, 164, 165, 172, 193, 197, 205, 215, 224, 240, 247, 324, 334, 376, 396**

**HOUSE BILLS: 79, 101, 134, 225, 549, 560, 561, 574**

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## **NOTICES**

### **SUNDAY, JANUARY 28, 2018 & MONDAY, JANUARY 29, 2018**

Ski NH cordially invites all members and staff of the New Hampshire State Senate to join Governor Sununu for the Granite State Ski Cup to be held on Sunday, January 28<sup>th</sup> and Monday, January 29<sup>th</sup> at Cranmore Mountain Resort in North Conway. Events on Sunday, January 28<sup>th</sup> include a Welcome Reception, free groomer rides and snowmaking tours as well as discounted skiing and snow tubing. On Monday, January 29<sup>th</sup>, events include complimentary alpine skiing, Dual Slalom Race and Awards Luncheon for registered participants. Preferred rate lodging on Sunday evening will be available to attendees. Please RSVP to Jessyca Keeler at (603) 745-9396 or Jessyca@SkiNH.com.

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

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### **THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 1, 2018**

The American Cancer Society Cancer Action Network – NH will be hosting a Legislative Breakfast on Thursday, February 1<sup>st</sup>, from 8:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m. at the State House cafeteria. A hearty, warm breakfast will be served. American Cancer Society Cancer Action Network volunteers and staff will be on hand to discuss pending legislation as well as what services the Society provides to NH residents.

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

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### **TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 6, 2018**

The NH Retail Lumber Association is hosting a legislative breakfast on Tuesday, February 6<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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### **WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 7, 2018**

The NH Optometric Association hosts its Eye-Opener Breakfast on Wednesday, February 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, speak with local Doctors of Optometry and learn about eye health, the practice of Optometry and how the state regulates the profession of Optometry.

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

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### **WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 7, 2018**

Northeast Delta Dental cordially invites all members of the New Hampshire Senate and the staff to its 19<sup>th</sup> Annual Legislative Reception to be held Wednesday, February 7<sup>th</sup> from 4:00 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. at its corporate office at One Delta Drive in Concord. Please RSVP to Kathleen Gleason at (603) 223-1317 or kgleason@nedelta.com.

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

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### **THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 8, 2018**

The NH Retail Association invites you to join the members and directors at their Legislative Lunch and presentation of the annual "Retailer of the Year" and "Legislator of the Year" awards on Thursday, February 8<sup>th</sup> at the Concord Holiday Inn. Please join members of the retail community, the Retail Association Directors and your colleagues at the lunch break for a buffet and conversation and help us recognize those who stand up for retail.

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

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### **FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 9, 2018**

The University of New Hampshire invites all legislators and legislative employees to cheer on the UNH Men's Hockey Team as they take on Vermont at the Whittemore Center in Durham on Friday, February 9<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m. To reserve your complimentary ticket, please contact Tom Cronin at thomas.cronin@unh.edu or 603-862-0574.

Senator Lou D'Allesandro

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**TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 13, 2018**

All Senators and staff are cordially invited to attend a breakfast reception with the Friends Program on Tuesday, February 13<sup>th</sup> from 7:30 a.m. to 9:30 a.m. in the State House cafeteria. A continental breakfast will be served. The Friends Program strengthens communities by building relationships that empower people, encourage community service and restore faith in the human spirit. Our Foster Grandparent Program and Retired and Senior Volunteer Program (RSVP) have over 600 volunteers in NH volunteering in local schools, child care centers, and non-profit agencies, which are positively impacting close to 45,000 people. Please join senior volunteers who will be available to tell you about their volunteer experiences and answer your questions about the Friends Foster Grandparent and RSVP Programs.

Senator Regina Birdsell  
Senator Lou D'Allesandro

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**WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 14, 2018****USNH Legislative Member & USNH Legislative Staff Alumni Gathering**

Please join us on Wednesday, February 14<sup>th</sup> from 8:30 a.m. to 9:30 a.m. at the Upham Walker House, 118 Park Street. We are proud to say we have 70+ University of New Hampshire, Keene State College, Plymouth State University and Granite State College alumni serving in the state legislature. We welcome you to join us in celebrating your alma maters, hear from some of our newest alums and take part in a group photo to commemorate the occasion. Continental Breakfast to be served. Please RSVP to Pat Waldvogel at (603) 387-1037 pat.waldvogel@usnh.edu. Hope to see you all there!

Senator Lou D'Allesandro

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**WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 14, 2018**

Bi-State Primary Care Association invites legislators to a briefing on the services, staff and locations of our 16 community health centers, on Wednesday, February 14<sup>th</sup>, from 11:30 a.m. until 1:00 p.m., in Rooms 210-211, Legislative Office Building. Please join us to learn more about the centers, which provide access to high quality, affordable primary and preventive health care for all, regardless of income or insurance coverage. The program will include presentations and Q&A with community health center staff, who will discuss the current state and federal legislation most important to this critical part of the NH healthcare infrastructure.

Senator Jeb Bradley, Senate Majority Leader

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**THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 15, 2018**

All legislators and staff are cordially invited to attend an informational session entitled Partnerships for Economic Development: Industry, Higher Education, and Government. Speakers will address the importance of research and innovation to the state economy. The event is sponsored by the NH EPSCoR Science and Technology Advisory Committee and will be held at Ordway Hall, St. Paul's Episcopal Church, 21 Centre Street, Concord, on Thursday, February 15<sup>th</sup>, at 11:30 a.m., following Gov. Sununu's State of the State address at the State House. A complimentary luncheon will be provided. RSVP by February 12<sup>th</sup> to nh.epscor@unh.edu. Questions? Call 603-862-0126.

Senator Daniel Innis

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**FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 23, 2018**

The New Hampshire Fiscal Policy Institute's 2018 conference, "Building a Strong Foundation for a Prosperous Economy," will be held Friday, February 23<sup>rd</sup>, from 8:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. at the Grappone Conference Center in Concord, NH. Panel discussions will examine key policy concerns in the areas of health, education, housing, and transportation. Presenters will address the potential impact federal policy changes may have on New Hampshire's ability to meet current and future needs, and state efforts to sustain a prosperous economy that benefits all Granite Staters. Registration fees are \$45 through January 31<sup>st</sup> and \$60 starting February 1<sup>st</sup>. Breakfast will be provided. Pre-registration is required by February 16<sup>th</sup>. A limited number of scholarships for complimentary conference registrations are available for current members of the Legislature; please email [info@nhfpi.org](mailto:info@nhfpi.org) for scholarship details. Visit [nhfpi.org/nhfpi-policy-conference](http://nhfpi.org/nhfpi-policy-conference) to learn more and register.

Senator Dan Feltes

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**WEDNESDAY, MARCH 7, 2018**

The New Hampshire Rare Action Network cordially invites all Legislators and staff to attend a reception for Rare Disease Day in the State House cafeteria on Wednesday, March 7<sup>th</sup>, from 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. This is a wonderful opportunity to meet some of your constituents living with rare diseases and learn about how legislation affects the rare disease community. Light refreshments will be provided.

Senator Dan Feltes

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**WEDNESDAY, MARCH 21, 2018**

All legislators and staff are cordially invited to join the New Hampshire Automobile Dealers Association (NHADA) for a Legislative Crossover Reception on Wednesday, March 21<sup>st</sup> at 3:30 p.m. (or following the end of the session day) at the Holiday Inn, 172 North Main Street, Concord. NHADA has historically hosted this event which offers legislators a wonderful opportunity to unwind and enjoy the company of fellow legislators and staff in a fun, social gathering.

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

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**THURSDAY, APRIL 12, 2018**

NH Snowmobile Association Legislative Breakfast

The members of the NH Snowmobile Association cordially invite all Senate members and staff to a reception in the State House cafeteria on Thursday, April 12<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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## SENATE SCHEDULE

Monday, February 19, 2018	President's Day (State Holiday)
Monday, February 26, 2018 – Friday, March 02, 2018	SENATE BREAK
Thursday, March 8, 2018	Deadline for Policy Committees to ACT on all Senate bills with a fiscal impact, except bills exempted pursuant to Senate Rule 4-5.
Thursday, March 22, 2018	CROSSOVER – Deadline to ACT on all Senate bills.
Thursday, April 19, 2018	Deadline for Policy Committees to ACT on all House bills with a fiscal impact, except bills exempted pursuant to Senate Rule 4-5.
Thursday, May 3, 2018	Deadline to ACT on all House bills.
Thursday, May 10, 2018	Deadline to FORM Committees of Conference.
Thursday, May 17, 2018	Deadline to SIGN Committee of Conference Reports.
Thursday, May 24, 2018	Deadline to ACT on Committee of Conference Reports.
Monday, May 28, 2018	Memorial Day (State Holiday)
Wednesday, July 4, 2018	Independence Day (State Holiday)
Monday, September 3, 2018	Labor Day (State Holiday)
Monday, November 12, 2018	Veterans' Day (State Holiday)
Thursday, November 22, 2018	Thanksgiving Day (State Holiday)
Friday, November 23, 2018	Day after Thanksgiving (State Holiday)
Tuesday, December 25, 2018	Christmas Day (State Holiday)