

Senate Finance Committee

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SB 36, establishing a committee to study the Laconia state school property.

Hearing Date: January 17, 2017

Time Opened: 1:00 p.m.

Time Closed: 1:02 p.m.

Members of the Committee Present: Senator Daniels, Giuda, Morse, D'Allesandro and Feltes.

Members of the Committee Absent: Senator Reagan.

Bill Analysis: Establishes a committee to study the Laconia State School property and develop recommendations regarding the sale of the property.

Sponsors:

Sen. Morse

Sen. French

Rep. Chandler

Who supports the bill: Senator Morse

Summary of testimony presented in support:

Senator Morse, Prime Sponsor:

- This issue has not been successfully resolved for many years. Former Governor Hassan and the Executive Council established a commission to make recommendations regarding what to do with the facility, with a report that was due in December. Senator Morse stated he has a draft copy of the report. This study committee was designed to build on the good work of the commission, and continue to move things forward. Given the age and condition of the property, it is becoming more expensive to keep it on the state's books. Senator Morse is requesting the Legislature act quickly in developing recommendations related to the sale of this property, which explains the early reporting date of April 1, 2017.

Action: Ought to Pass

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Date Hearing Report completed: January 18, 2017