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HOUSE BILL **186**

AN ACT relative to certain legislative study commissions and committees.

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COMMITTEE: Legislative Administration

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AMENDED ANALYSIS

This bill:

I. Repeals certain inactive committees and revises the membership and duties of others.

II. Reestablishes the commission to study the incidence of post-traumatic stress disorder in first responders and requires first responders to have mental health training focusing on post-traumatic stress disorder.

III. Establishes a commission to study barriers to increased land development in New Hampshire.

IV. Reestablishes the commission to study grandfamilies in New Hampshire.

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Explanation: Matter added to current law appears in ***bold italics***.  
Matter removed from current law appears [~~in brackets and struckthrough.~~]  
Matter which is either (a) all new or (b) repealed and reenacted appears in regular type.

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STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

*In the Year of Our Lord Two Thousand Twenty One*

AN ACT relative to certain legislative study commissions and committees.

*Be it Enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:*

1 1 Repeals. The following are repealed:

2 I. RSA 5:50, relative to the grants review committee.

3 II. RSA 21-R:9, relative to the joint legislative information technology oversight committee.

4 III. RSA 263:6-b, relative to the medical/vision advisory board.

5 IV. RSA 374:22-h, relative to the oversight committee on telecommunications.

6 V.(a) RSA 420-N:3, relative to the joint health care reform oversight committee.

7 (b) RSA 420-N:2, III, defining the oversight committee.

8 (c) RSA 420-N:4, relative to the role of the committee in implementing the federal act.

9 (d) RSA 161:11, relative to the role of the committee in rulemaking and waiver requests.

10 VI. RSA 621:10, relative to the youth development center population oversight panel.

11 VII. RSA 621-A:9 - 621-A:11, relative to the juvenile justice advisory board.

12 VIII. RSA 652:24, relative to the voter identification advisory board.

13 2 Repeal; Effective July 1, 2023. The following are repealed:

14 I. RSA 9-A:5, relative to the commission on rural affairs.

15 II. RSA 238:20, relative to the scenic and cultural byways council.

16 3 Joint Legislative Information Technology Oversight Committee; Reference Removed. Amend  
17 RSA 21-R:14, II to read as follows:

18 II. The information policy developed under paragraph I shall include a mechanism for  
19 adoption and review by each state agency. Each agency that adopts the policy shall designate a  
20 contact person responsible for oversight and implementation of open government data standards for  
21 that agency. The contact shall act as a liaison between the department, the implementing agency,  
22 and the public in matters related to open government data standards. [~~The commissioner shall  
23 include the status of the development and implementation of the statewide information policy based  
24 on open government data standards in the quarterly report to the legislative oversight committee  
25 under RSA 21-R:9.~~]

26 4 Population Oversight Panel; Youth Development Center; Reference Removed. Amend RSA  
27 169-B:19, I(j) to read as follows:

28 (j) Commit the minor to the custody of the department of health and human services for  
29 the remainder of minority. Commitment under this subparagraph may only be made following

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1 written findings of fact by the court, supported by clear and convincing evidence, that commitment is  
2 necessary to protect the safety of the minor or of the community, and may only be made if the minor  
3 has not waived the right to counsel at any stage of the proceedings. If there is a diagnosis or other  
4 evidence that a minor committed under this subparagraph may have a serious emotional  
5 disturbance or other behavioral health disorder, the minor shall, with the consent of the minor and  
6 the minor's family, be referred to a care management entity pursuant to RSA 135-F:4, III. The care  
7 management entity shall develop and oversee the implementation of a care plan for the minor,  
8 intended to reduce the period of commitment. Commitment may not be based on a finding of  
9 contempt of court if the minor has waived counsel in the contempt proceeding or at any stage of the  
10 proceedings from which the contempt arises. Commitment may include, but is not limited to,  
11 placement by the department of health and human services at a facility certified for the commitment  
12 of minors pursuant to RSA 169-B:19, VI, **or** administrative release to parole pursuant to RSA  
13 621:19, [~~or administrative release consistent with the cap on youth development center population~~  
14 ~~under RSA 621:10,~~] provided that the appropriate juvenile probation and parole officer is notified.  
15 Commitment under this subparagraph shall not be ordered as a disposition for a violation of RSA  
16 262 or 637, possession of a controlled drug without intent to sell under RSA 318-B, or violations of  
17 RSA 634, 635, 641, or 644, which would be a misdemeanor if committed by an adult. However,  
18 commitment may be ordered under this subparagraph for any offense which would be a felony or  
19 class A misdemeanor if committed by an adult if the minor has previously been adjudicated under  
20 this chapter for at least 3 offenses which would be felonies or class A misdemeanors if committed by  
21 an adult. A court shall only commit a minor based on previous adjudications if it finds by clear and  
22 convincing evidence that each of the prior offenses relied upon was not part of a common scheme or  
23 factual transaction with any of the other offenses relied upon, that the adjudications of all of the  
24 prior offenses occurred before the date of the offense for which the minor is before the court, and that  
25 the minor was represented by counsel at each stage of the prior proceedings following arraignment.

26 5 Advisory Committee on State Procurement. Amend RSA 21-I:14-d, I to read as follows:

27 (a) Four members of the house of representatives, [~~3~~] **2** of whom shall be members of the  
28 house executive departments and administration committee, ***one of whom shall be a member of***  
29 ***the house committee with jurisdiction over public works***, and one of whom shall be a member  
30 of the ***house*** finance committee, appointed by the speaker of the house of representatives.

31 6 New Subparagraph; Information Technology Council; Senator Added. Amend RSA 21-R:6, II  
32 by inserting after subparagraph (o) the following new subparagraph:

33 (p) One state senator, appointed by the president of the senate, for the duration of the  
34 legislative term.

35 7 Joint Committee on Tax Expenditure Review; Membership. Amend RSA 71-C:3, I to read as  
36 follows:

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1 I. A joint committee on tax expenditure review is hereby established to review all qualifying  
2 tax expenditures on a rotating basis every 5 years and recommend continuance, amendment, or  
3 repeal of relevant provisions. The joint committee shall be composed of [2] **3** members of the house  
4 of representatives appointed by the speaker of the house of representatives and [~~one member~~] **2**  
5 **members** of the senate appointed by the senate president, provided that such appointments shall  
6 include the chair or vice-chair of the ways and means committee of the respective bodies. The first  
7 meeting shall be within 60 days after the effective date of this paragraph and called by the first-  
8 named house member.

9 8 Public Water Access Advisory Board; Membership. Amend RSA 233-A:2, I(h) and (i) to read as  
10 follows:

11 (h) [~~Two senators,~~] **One senator from the standing policy committee with**  
12 **jurisdiction over natural resources**, appointed by the president of the senate.

13 (i) Two house members, one from [~~the resources, recreation and development committee~~  
14 ~~and one from the wildlife and marine resources committee~~] **the standing policy committee with**  
15 **jurisdiction over natural resources and one from the standing policy committee with**  
16 **jurisdiction over fish and game**, appointed by the speaker of the house.

17 9 Legislative Oversight Committee on Electric Utility Restructuring; Membership. Amend RSA  
18 374-F:5, I to read as follows:

19 I. There is established a legislative oversight committee to monitor the transformation of  
20 delivery of electric services consisting of [7] **5** members as follows:

21 (a) [~~Five~~] **Three** members of the house, at least [~~3~~] **2** of whom shall be members of the  
22 committee with jurisdiction over utilities and energy, and at least one of whom shall be a member of  
23 a minority party, appointed by the speaker of the house.

24 (b) Two members of the senate, at least one of whom shall be a member of the committee  
25 with jurisdiction over utilities and energy, and at least one of whom shall be a member of the  
26 minority party, appointed by the president of the senate.

27 10 Legislative Oversight Committee on Electric Utility Restructuring; Quorum. Amend RSA  
28 374-F:5, IV to read as follows:

29 IV. The committee shall meet quarterly or as often as is necessary to conduct its business.  
30 [~~Four~~] **Three** members of the committee shall constitute a quorum.

31 11 Law Enforcement Memorial Oversight Committee. Amend RSA 4:9-b to read as follows:  
32 4:9-b Committee Established; Special Account.

33 I. A committee is established to [~~select the design for a law enforcement memorial, to~~  
34 ~~oversee the construction of the memorial, to privately raise all the funds which shall be necessary for~~  
35 ~~its construction, and to expend the funds which are raised~~] **oversee the law enforcement**  
36 **memorial. The committee shall approve any changes in the memorial, including the**  
37 **addition of names to the memorial. The committee, through the New Hampshire law**

1 *enforcement community, shall privately raise all the money necessary for maintenance of*  
2 *the law enforcement memorial. The committee shall have the authority to expend the*  
3 *money which is raised without the approval of governor and council.* The governor is  
4 authorized to accept for the committee, in the name of the state, the gifts of money which are  
5 donated to ~~[construct]~~ ***maintain*** the memorial.

6 II. The gifts of money which are donated to ~~[construct]~~ ***maintain*** the memorial shall be  
7 placed in a special nonlapsing account in the state treasury, to be expended for the purposes of the  
8 law enforcement memorial. Any money remaining in the special account after construction of the  
9 memorial is completed shall be used for the care, maintenance, and repair of, and additions to, the  
10 memorial, or for any other purpose deemed appropriate by the committee.

11 III. ~~[The committee shall remain in existence upon the completion of the law enforcement~~  
12 ~~memorial for the purpose of approving any changes in the memorial, such as the addition of names~~  
13 ~~to the memorial.]~~ Any site changes in the memorial shall be made under the supervision of the  
14 administrator of the division of plant and property, in the department of administrative services,  
15 according to the provisions of RSA 4:9-a, II.

16 12 Repeal; Law Enforcement Memorial Oversight Committee. RSA 4:9-d, relative to duties of  
17 the law enforcement memorial oversight committee, is repealed.

18 13 McAuliffe-Shepard Discovery Center; Definitions. Amend RSA 12-L:1 to read as follows:

19 12-L:1 Definitions. In this chapter:

20 I. ~~["Commission" means the McAuliffe-Shepard discovery center commission.]~~  
21 ***"Corporation" means the McAuliffe-Shepard discovery center corporation, incorporated in***  
22 ***New Hampshire in May 2012 as an independent nonprofit operation responsible for the***  
23 ***management and operation of the discovery center beginning January 1, 2013.***

24 II. "Discovery center" means the McAuliffe-Shepard discovery center, which includes the  
25 planetarium and related exhibits pertaining to astronomy, aviation, and earth and space sciences.

26 III. ~~["Touch the Future" means the nonprofit corporation organized to promote the welfare of~~  
27 ~~the discovery center and to assist the discovery center director and the commission.~~

28 ~~IV.]~~ "Planetarium" means the discovery center planetarium.

29 ~~[V. "Private operator" means the McAuliffe-Shepard discovery center corporation~~  
30 ~~established in RSA 12-L:13 and the corporation's board established in RSA 12-L:14 which is~~  
31 ~~responsible for the management and operation of the discovery center beginning January 1, 2013.]~~

32 14 .McAuliffe-Shepard Discovery Center Corporation; References to Board Removed. RSA 12-  
33 L:14 is repealed and reenacted to read as follows:

34 12-L:14 McAuliffe-Shepard Discovery Center Corporation.

35 I. The corporation is a body politic and corporate which has a distinct legal existence  
36 separate from the state and does not constitute a department of state government. The corporation  
37 was established to carry out the provisions of this chapter.

1 II. The corporation is empowered to manage and operate the McAuliffe-Shepard discovery  
2 center beginning January 1, 2013.

3 15 Discovery Center Equipment. Amend RSA 12-L:15, IV to read as follows:

4 IV. The state shall enter into a 10-year, renewable lease with the ~~[private operator]~~  
5 **corporation** to occupy and operate the discovery center buildings and grounds and utilize the  
6 equipment and software beginning on January 1, 2013, at a charge of \$1 per year. Either party may  
7 terminate this lease with 90 days notice if the other party fails to make a good faith effort to meet all  
8 of its obligations under RSA 12-L.

9 16 Discovery Center Exhibits. Amend RSA 12-L:16 - 12-L:18 to read as follows:

10 12-L:16 Discovery Center Exhibits, Equipment, Software Licenses, and Supplies.

11 I. The ~~[commission]~~ **discovery center** shall compile a comprehensive inventory of all  
12 equipment, including exhibits and software owned by the discovery center, on June 30, 2012, which  
13 shall be updated through December 31, 2012.

14 II. The annual lease to the ~~[private operator]~~ **corporation** shall include the use of all  
15 exhibits and equipment owned by the discovery center on December 31, 2012. The state shall allow  
16 the ~~[private operator]~~ **corporation**, at its own expense, to make any upgrades to the equipment,  
17 software, and exhibits the ~~[private operator]~~ **corporation** deems necessary.

18 III. All equipment and exhibits on loan to the discovery center on June 30, 2012, shall be  
19 identified and updated in a timely manner through December 31, 2012.

20 IV. The discovery center director shall work with the ~~[private operator]~~ **corporation** to  
21 contact the loaners and arrange for transfer of the loans to the ~~[private operator]~~ **corporation**, for  
22 those loans that the ~~[private operator]~~ **corporation** wishes to continue.

23 V. The state shall transfer at no cost all supplies belonging to the discovery center on  
24 December 31, 2012, to the ~~[private operator]~~ **corporation**.

25 12-L:17 Discovery Center Visitor, Donor, Program Records and Archives. All publicly available  
26 donor, visitor, and program records and archival materials owned by the discovery center on  
27 December 31, 2012, shall continue to be available to the public and to the ~~[private operator]~~  
28 **corporation**.

29 12-L:18 State Funds.

30 I. All funds appropriated to the McAuliffe-Shepard discovery center in 2011, 224:88 shall be  
31 transferred to the ~~[private operator]~~ **corporation** on December 31, 2012.

32 II. All funds in the discovery center transition fund established in RSA 12-L:10, II shall be  
33 transferred to the ~~[private operator]~~ **corporation** on December 31, 2012.

34 III. The ~~[private operator]~~ **corporation** may apply for state grants for which it is eligible  
35 and shall receive due consideration in the state's selection of grant recipients.

36 17 Repeal; McAuliffe-Shepard Discovery Center. The following are repealed:

37 I. RSA 12-L:7, relative to the powers and duties of the commission.

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1 II. RSA 12-L:12, relative to the gift store.

2 III. RSA 12-L:13, relative to establishing the corporation.

3 18 Relative to the Communicable Disease Ethics Committee. Amend RSA 141-C:27, IV-VI to  
4 read as follows:

5 IV. The commissioner shall appoint a member of the committee to act as chairperson. The  
6 committee shall meet initially within 30 days of the effective date of this section and then as  
7 regularly as the chairperson shall direct, **but no less than annually**.

8 V. The commissioner may at any time direct questions to the committee or request guidance  
9 on ethical issues.

10 VI. The committee shall be solely advisory in nature. ~~and~~ Any guidance, guidelines, or  
11 protocols issued by the committee **shall be submitted to the commissioner and to the health  
12 and human services oversight committee established in RSA 126-A:13 and** shall not be  
13 binding on the commissioner.

14 19 Skyhaven Airport Advisory Council. Amend RSA 422:37, III and IV to read as follows:

15 III. The advisory council shall elect one of its members as chairman, one as a vice-chairman,  
16 and one as a secretary/treasurer. The members of the advisory council shall receive no  
17 compensation for their services, but their reasonable expenses incurred in the performance of their  
18 duties shall be paid ~~[from the Skyhaven airport maintenance and operations fund]~~. The advisory  
19 council shall have the right to establish bylaws for the management of its affairs within the meaning  
20 of this section and the laws of the state. The Pease development authority shall provide the advisory  
21 council with administrative support necessary to carry out its responsibilities under this section.

22 IV. The advisory council shall ~~[provide oversight and]~~ consult with and advise the Pease  
23 development authority and its airport manager with respect to the policy, programs, and goals for  
24 Skyhaven airport; all operations of Skyhaven airport, including the preparation of its operating and  
25 capital budget; the procurement of services of a fixed based operating firm; and the use of Skyhaven  
26 airport property. In order to accomplish said purposes, the advisory council shall meet with the  
27 airport manager no less frequently than quarterly, or at the call of the chairman or any 3 council  
28 members. The council shall file annually a report of its deliberations and recommendations with the  
29 Pease development authority board of directors and executive director. In all instances, the  
30 authority shall retain the power to make the final decision regarding the management and  
31 operations of Skyhaven airport.

32 20 Federal Health Care Reform 2010; Purpose and Scope. Amend RSA 420-N:1 to read as  
33 follows:

34 420-N:1 Purpose and Scope. The intent of this chapter is to preserve the state's status as the  
35 primary regulator of the business of insurance within New Hampshire and the constitutional  
36 integrity and sovereignty of the state of New Hampshire under the Tenth Amendment to the United  
37 States Constitution and part I, article 7 of the New Hampshire constitution and ~~[to create a~~

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1 ~~legislative oversight committee to supervise]~~ the insurance commissioner's administration of the  
2 insurance reforms required under the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act of 2009, Public  
3 Law 111-148, as amended by the Health Care and Education Reconciliation Act of 2010, Public Law  
4 111-152, including any federal regulations, interpretations, standards, or guidance issued  
5 thereunder (hereinafter "the Act").

6 21 Authority of the Commissioner. Amend the introductory paragraph of RSA 420-N:5 to read  
7 as follows:

8 420-N:5 Authority of the Commissioner. ~~[Only with such prior approvals from the oversight~~  
9 ~~committee as are required under RSA 420-N:4,]~~ The commissioner shall have authority to:

10 22 Waiver. Amend RSA 420-N:6-a to read as follows:

11 420-N:6-a Waiver. If such action is supported by the recommendations of actuarial experts  
12 retained by the department as being consistent with the purposes of RSA 404-G:1, I, the  
13 commissioner shall, at the earliest practicable date, submit an application on behalf of the state to  
14 the United States Secretary of the Treasury, and if required, to the United States Secretary of  
15 Health and Human Services, to waive certain provisions of the Act, as provided in section 1332 of the  
16 Act, or any other applicable waiver provision in order to create a risk sharing or reinsurance  
17 mechanism for the individual market under RSA 404-G which is eligible to draw down federal pass-  
18 through funding to support such mechanism. The commissioner shall publish and accept public  
19 comment on the 1332 waiver application and the plan of operation for the individual market  
20 mechanism prior to approving such plans. ~~[Upon approval of the joint health care reform oversight~~  
21 ~~committee,]~~ The commissioner shall implement any federally approved waiver, including but not  
22 limited to overseeing the implementation of a revised plan of operations under RSA 404-G:12.

23 23 Prohibition on State-Based Health Exchange. Amend RSA 420-N:7, III to read as follows:

24 III. Subject to the requirements of this chapter ~~[with respect to oversight committee~~  
25 ~~approval],~~ state agencies or departments may operate specific functions of a federally-facilitated  
26 exchange consistent with this subdivision to enable the continuation of traditional areas of state  
27 regulation and authority.

28 24 Federally-Facilitated Exchange; Authority of Commissioner. Amend RSA 420-N:8, V to read  
29 as follows:

30 V. The commissioner may adopt rules, pursuant to RSA 541-A ~~[and in accordance with RSA~~  
31 ~~420-N:4, H],~~ as necessary to perform the duties specified in this section and to protect against  
32 adverse selection by creating a level playing field between a federally-facilitated exchange and the  
33 commercial health insurance market.

34 25 Federally-Facility Exchange; Authority of Health and Human Services Commissioner.  
35 Amend RSA 420-N:9, III to read as follows:



1           III. The commissioner of health and human services may adopt rules, pursuant to RSA 541-  
2 A ~~[and subject to oversight committee approval under RSA 161:11]~~, as necessary to fulfill the  
3 purposes of this subdivision.

4           26 New Hampshire Granite Advantage Health Care Program. Amend the introductory  
5 paragraph of RSA 126-AA:2, III(b) to read as follows:

6           (b) If an individual in a family receiving benefits under this paragraph fails to comply  
7 with the work or community engagement activities required in accordance with this paragraph, the  
8 assistance shall be suspended. The commissioner shall adopt rules under RSA 541-A to determine  
9 good cause and other exceptions to termination. ~~[Following approval by the joint health care reform~~  
10 ~~oversight committee, pursuant to RSA 161:11, to initiate rulemaking.]~~ Any rules proposed under this  
11 subparagraph shall be submitted to the fiscal committee of the general court, which shall review the  
12 rules prior to submission to the joint legislative committee on administrative rules and make  
13 recommendations to the commissioner regarding the rules. An individual may apply for good cause  
14 exemptions which shall include, at a minimum, the following verified circumstances:

15           27 New Hampshire Granite Advantage Health Care Program. Amend the introductory  
16 paragraph of RSA 126-AA:2, III(e) to read as follows:

17           (e) The commissioner shall adopt rules under RSA 541-A pertaining to the community  
18 engagement requirement. ~~[Following approval by the joint health care reform oversight committee,~~  
19 ~~pursuant to RSA 161:11 to initiate rulemaking.]~~ Any rules proposed under this subparagraph shall  
20 be submitted to the fiscal committee of the general court, which shall review the rules prior to  
21 submission to the joint legislative committee on administrative rules and make recommendations to  
22 the commissioner regarding the rules. The rules shall be consistent with the terms and conditions of  
23 any waiver issued by the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services for the program, provided that  
24 any waiver issued by the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services is not unreasonably  
25 inconsistent with any provision of this chapter, and shall address, at a minimum, the following:

26           28 New Hampshire Granite Advantage Health Care Program. Amend RSA 126-AA:2, VIII to  
27 read as follows:

28           VIII. Any person receiving benefits from the program shall be responsible for providing  
29 information regarding his or her change in status or eligibility, including current contact  
30 information. The commissioner shall adopt rules, under RSA 541-A, pertaining to the opportunity to  
31 cure and for re-activation following noncompliance. ~~[Following approval by the joint health care~~  
32 ~~reform oversight committee, pursuant to RSA 161:11, to initiate rulemaking.]~~ Any rules proposed  
33 under this subparagraph shall be submitted to the fiscal committee of the general court, which shall  
34 review the rules prior to submission to the joint legislative committee on administrative rules and  
35 make recommendations to the commissioner regarding the rules.

36           29 Repeal; Weights and Measures Advisory Board. The following are repealed:

37           I. RSA 438:8-b, establishing the weights and measures advisory board.

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1           II. RSA 438:8-a, V, relative to the submission of quarterly complaint investigation reports to  
2 the advisory board.

3           30 County State-Finance Commission; House Membership. Amend RSA 28-B:1, V to read as  
4 follows:

5           V. Three members of the legislature, 2 of whom shall be members of the house *of*  
6 *representatives, one of whom shall be a member of the house finance committee and one of*  
7 *whom shall be a member of the standing committee responsible for municipal and county*  
8 *government*, appointed by the speaker of the house of representatives, and one of whom shall be a  
9 member of the senate, appointed by the president of the senate, whose terms shall be coterminous  
10 with their terms in office.

11           31 New Section; Commission to Study the Incidence of Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder in First  
12 Responders Reestablished. Amend RSA 281-A by inserting after section 17-c the following new  
13 section:

14           281-A:17-d Commission to Study the Incidence of Post-traumatic Stress Disorder in First  
15 Responders Reestablished.

16           I.(a) There is reestablished the commission to study the incidence of post-traumatic stress  
17 disorder in first responders and whether such disorder should be covered under workers'  
18 compensation. The members of the commission shall be as follows:

19                   (1) One member of the senate, appointed by the president of the senate.

20                   (2) Three members of the house of representatives, one of whom shall be from the  
21 labor, industrial and rehabilitative services committee, one of whom shall be from the executive  
22 departments and administration committee, and one of whom shall be from the state-federal  
23 relations and veterans affairs committee, appointed by the speaker of the house of representatives.

24                   (3) The labor commissioner, or designee.

25                   (4) The commissioner of safety, or designee.

26                   (5) The insurance commissioner, or designee.

27                   (6) The commissioner of the department of corrections, or designee.

28                   (7) A representative of the New Hampshire Municipal Association, appointed by the  
29 association.

30                   (8) A representative of the New Hampshire Association of Counties, appointed by  
31 the association.

32                   (9) A representative of the National Alliance on Mental Illness New Hampshire,  
33 appointed by the alliance.

34                   (10) A fire chief, appointed by the New Hampshire Association of Fire Chiefs.

35                   (11) One member appointed by the New Hampshire Association of Chiefs of Police.

36                   (12) One member appointed by the New Hampshire Police Association.

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1           (13) A representative of the Professional Firefighters of New Hampshire, appointed  
2 by that organization.

3           (14) A representative of the New Hampshire Association of Emergency Medical  
4 Technicians, appointed by the association.

5           (15) A representative of the New Hampshire Public Risk Management Exchange,  
6 appointed by that organization.

7           (16) An attorney, appointed by the New Hampshire Association for Justice.

8           (b) Legislative members of the commission shall receive mileage at the legislative rate  
9 when attending to the duties of the commission.

10          II.(a) The commission shall study:

11           (1) Costs associated with training and resources, application of training, and  
12 operation of the presumption that post-traumatic stress disorder in first responders is occupationally  
13 caused.

14           (2) Whether a first responder's death from suicide is a line of duty death.

15           (3) Life insurance payouts for first responders who die of suicide.

16           (4) Life insurance payouts for retired first responders who die of suicide.

17           (5) Federal line of duty deaths by suicide.

18           (6) Cost and administration of resiliency training.

19           (7) The need for culture change to enable first responders to openly address PTSD  
20 issues without impacting their careers.

21           (8) Discuss the intersection of benefits provided by Workers' Compensation and the  
22 New Hampshire Retirement System when a first responder retires because of PTSD and whether  
23 additional benefits are warranted, including a retirement insurance subsidy.

24           (b) The commission may solicit input from any person or entity the commission deems  
25 relevant to its study.

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

30          IV. On or before November 1, 2021, the commission shall submit an interim report of its  
31 findings and any recommendations for proposed legislation to the president of the senate, the  
32 speaker of the house of representatives, the senate clerk, the house clerk, the governor, and the state  
33 library and shall submit a final report on or before November 1, 2022.

34          32 New Section; Mental Health Training for First Responders. Amend RSA 106-L by inserting  
35 after section 7 the following new section:

36           106-L:7-a Mental Health Training for First Responders.

1           I. No person shall assume their role as a first responder unless such person has  
2 satisfactorily completed mental health training focusing on post-traumatic stress disorder. In the  
3 case of a law enforcement officer, such person will receive such training from a program developed  
4 and delivered by the New Hampshire police academy. In the case of a firefighter or EMS provider,  
5 such person will receive such training from a program developed and delivered by the New  
6 Hampshire fire academy. Subsequently, all first responders shall successfully complete annual  
7 online training, and shall attend a live training program every 5 years from the first responder's  
8 respective training academy.

9           II. Mental health training focusing on post-traumatic stress disorder shall be made available  
10 annually and at no cost to any first responders after their retirement.

11           33 New Section; Office of Strategic Initiatives; Commission to Study Barriers to Increased  
12 Density of Land Development in New Hampshire. Amend RSA 4-C by inserting after section 8-a the  
13 following new section:

14           4-C:8-b Commission to Study Density of Land Development in New Hampshire.

15           I. There is established a commission to study barriers to increased density of land  
16 development in New Hampshire. The membership of the commission shall be as follows:

17           (a) Two members of the senate, one of whom shall serve on the election law and  
18 municipal affairs committee and one of whom shall serve on the energy and natural resources  
19 committee, appointed by the senate president.

20           (b) Two members of the house of representatives, one of whom shall serve on the  
21 municipal and county government committee and one of whom shall serve on the environment and  
22 agriculture committee, appointed by the speaker of the house of representatives.

23           (c) Two public members, appointed by the governor.

24           (d) The director of the office of strategic initiatives, or designee.

25           (e) The commissioner of the department of environmental services, or designee.

26           (f) The commissioner of the department of business and economic affairs, or designee.

27           (g) The executive director of the New Hampshire housing finance authority, or designee.

28           (h) The executive director of New Hampshire Legal Assistance, or designee.

29           (i) The executive director of Housing Action NH, or designee.

30           (j) One representative of the New Hampshire Municipal Association, appointed by the  
31 association.

32           (k) One representative of the New Hampshire Home Builders Association, appointed by  
33 the association.

34           (l) One representative of the New Hampshire Association of Regional Planning  
35 Commissions, appointed by the association.

36           (m) One representative of the New Hampshire Business and Industry Association,  
37 appointed by the association.

1           (n) One representative of the housing subcommittee of the Governor's Millennial  
2 Advisory Council, chosen by the council.

3           (o) One person to represent conservation interests, chosen jointly by the Society for the  
4 Protection of New Hampshire Forests, the Nature Conservancy, and the New Hampshire Association  
5 of Conservation Commissions.

6           (p) One representative of the New Hampshire Association of Realtors, appointed by the  
7 association.

8           (q) One member of the American Council of Engineering Companies of New Hampshire,  
9 appointed by the council.

10           (r) The president of the NH Planners Association, or designee.

11           II. The commission shall study issues related to the density of land development in New  
12 Hampshire. The commission's duties shall include revisiting the actions of the commission  
13 established in 2019, 300, and shall specifically include but not be limited to:

14           (a) Determining minimum standards of residential development density by considering  
15 the availability of public water and sewer infrastructure or other appropriate alternatives and  
16 account for variability of environmental conditions.

17           (b) Considering possible property tax incentives to promote residential density  
18 development, particularly workforce housing.

19           (c) Exploring possible methods of enforcement of the share community responsibility of  
20 workforce housing under RSA 674.

21           (d) Studying the impacts of development, specifically impacts on school enrollment and  
22 property values.

23           (e) Examining potential model ordinances to support municipalities in their planning  
24 work.

25           (f) Recommending any proposed legislation resulting from the work of the commission.

26           III. The members of the commission shall elect a chairperson from among the members.  
27 The first meeting of the commission shall be called by the first-named senate member. The first  
28 meeting of the commission shall be held within 45 days of the effective date of this section. Seven  
29 members of the commission shall constitute a quorum. The senate election law and municipal  
30 affairs committee staff shall provide clerical, administrative, and research services to the  
31 commission as may be needed.

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

34           V. The commission shall submit an interim report of its findings and any recommendations  
35 for proposed legislation to the president of the senate, the speaker of the house of representatives,  
36 the senate clerk, the house clerk, the governor, and the state library on or before November 1, 2021  
37 and shall submit a final report on or before November 1, 2022.

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1           34 Repeal. RSA 4-C:8-b, relative to the commission to study density of land development in New  
2 Hampshire, is repealed.

3           35 New Section; Commission to Study Grandfamilies in New Hampshire. Amend RSA 170-G by  
4 inserting after section 17-a the following new section:

5           170-G:17-b Commission to Study Grandfamilies in New Hampshire.

6           I. There is established a commission to study grandfamilies in New Hampshire. The  
7 membership of the commission shall be as follows:

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

9                   (b) Three members of the house of representatives, one of whom shall serve on the  
10 health, human services and elderly affairs committee, one of whom shall serve on the committee  
11 responsible for children and family law, and one of whom shall serve on the finance committee,  
12 appointed by the speaker of the house of representatives.

13                   (c) The commissioner of the department of health and human services, or designee.

14                   (d) The commissioner of the department of education, or designee.

15                   (e) One representative of the division of family assistance, department of health and  
16 human services, appointed by that division.

17                   (f) One representative of the division for children, youth and families, department of  
18 health and human services, appointed by that division.

19                   (g) One representative of MomsRising, appointed by that organization.

20                   (h) One representative of the Family Assistance Advisory Council, appointed by the  
21 council.

22                   (i) One representative of Waypoint, formerly Child and Family Services of New  
23 Hampshire, appointed by that organization.

24                   (j) One representative of a family resource center, appointed by Family Support New  
25 Hampshire.

26                   (k) One representative of Court Appointed Special Advocates of New Hampshire,  
27 appointed by that organization.

28                   (l) One representative of New Futures, appointed by that organization.

29                   (m) One representative of National Alliance on Mental Illness New Hampshire,  
30 appointed by that organization.

31                   (n) One representative of the NH Head Start Directors Association, appointed by the  
32 association.

33                   (o) One public school principal, appointed by the New Hampshire Association of School  
34 Principals.

35                   (p) One pediatrician licensed in New Hampshire, appointed by the New Hampshire  
36 Pediatric Society.

37                   (q) One member of the New Hampshire Bar Association, appointed by the association.

1 (r) One representative of AARP, appointed by that organization.

2 (s) One representative of the New Hampshire Association of Chiefs of Police, appointed  
3 by the association.

4 (t) Three grandparent caregivers, appointed by the Family Assistance Advisory Council.

5 (u) One representative of a community health center in New Hampshire, appointed by  
6 the governor.

7 II. The commission shall address issues related to grandfamilies in New Hampshire. The  
8 commission's duties shall include, but not be limited to:

9 (a) Review of current data regarding grandfamilies in New Hampshire.

10 (b) Review of current barriers facing grandparents who are raising children in New  
11 Hampshire.

12 (c) Identification of causes of issues affecting New Hampshire grandfamilies.

13 (d) Development of corrective actions for addressing issues facing grandfamilies in New  
14 Hampshire.

15 (e) Identification of current actions being taken to assist grandfamilies in New  
16 Hampshire and their effectiveness.

17 III. Members of the commission shall elect a chairperson from among the members. The  
18 first meeting of the commission shall be called by the senate member. The first meeting of the  
19 commission shall be held within 30 days of the effective date of this section. Seven members of the  
20 commission shall constitute a quorum.

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

23 V. The commission shall submit an interim report of its findings and any recommendations  
24 for proposed legislation to the president of the senate, the speaker of the house of representatives,  
25 the senate clerk, the house clerk, the governor, and the state library on or before November 1, 2022  
26 and November 1, 2024. The commission shall submit a final report on or before November 1, 2026.

27 36 Repeal. RSA 170-G:17-b, establishing a commission to study grandfamilies in New  
28 Hampshire, is repealed.

29 37 Public Utilities Commission Regulation of Utility Pole Attachments; SB 88, Part II; Effective  
30 Date. If SB 88 of the 2021 legislative session becomes law, then Part II, section 1 of SB 88 shall take  
31 effect upon its passage and Part II, section 2 of the act shall not take effect.

32 38 Effective Date.

33 I. Section 2 of this act shall take effect July 1, 2023.

34 II. Sections 31, 33, 35, and 37 of this act shall take effect upon its passage.

35 III. Section 34 of this act shall take effect November 1, 2022.

36 IV. Section 36 of this act shall take effect November 1, 2026.

37 V. The remainder of this act shall take effect 60 days after its passage.