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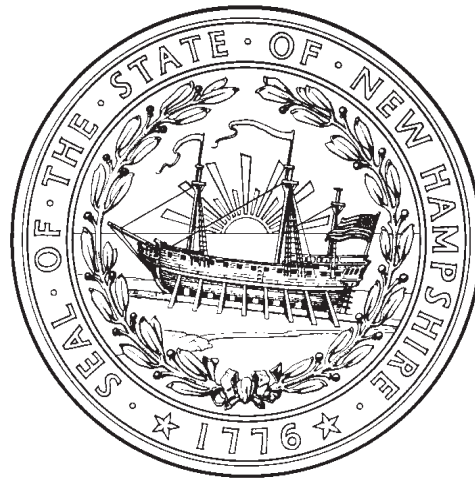
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**First Year of the 168th Session of the
New Hampshire General Court**

SENATE CALENDAR

**THE SENATE WILL MEET IN SESSION ON THURSDAY,
MAY 11, 2023 AT 10:00 A.M. IN THE SENATE CHAMBER**

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Thursday, May 11, 2023 at 10:00 A.M.

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LAID ON THE TABLE

SB 36-FN, relative to systems of care for healthy aging.**03/30/2023, Pending Motion OT3rdg, Finance, SJ 12**

SB 55-FN-A, making an appropriation for the Cannon Mountain tramway.**02/22/2023, Pending Motion OT3rdg, Finance, SJ 8**

SB 57-FN, relative to the reduction in the calculation of state retirement annuities at age 65.**03/09/2023, Pending Motion OT3rdg, Finance, SJ 9**

SB 86-FN, relative to health care workforce development and making appropriations therefor.**03/30/2023, Pending Motion OT3rdg, Finance, SJ 12**

SB 114-FN-LOCAL, relative to payment by the state of a portion of retirement system contributions of political subdivision employers.**02/09/2023, Pending Motion OT3rdg, Finance, SJ 6**

SB 115-FN-A, relative to making an appropriation to the department of health and human services for the purpose of funding vaccine administration through public health departments.**03/23/2023, Pending Motion OT3rdg, Finance, SJ 11**

SB 122-FN-A, relative to construction of a public pier on Hampton Beach and making an appropriation therefor.**03/23/2023, Pending Motion OT3rdg, Finance, SJ 11**

SB 124-FN-A, making an appropriation for the Eastern Slopes Regional Airport.**02/09/2023, Pending Motion OT3rdg, Finance, SJ 6**

SB 125-FN-A, relative to annual grants to regional development corporations.**02/09/2023, Pending Motion OT3rdg, Finance, SJ 6**

SB 138-FN-A, making an appropriation to PFAS remediation fund grants.**02/22/2023, Pending Motion OT3rdg, Finance, SJ 8**

SB 140-FN, relative to establishing a program for the recruitment of educators.**03/30/2023, Pending Motion OT3rdg, Finance, SJ 12**

SB 145-FN, relative to New Hampshire housing champion designation for municipalities and making appropriations therefor.**03/30/2023, Pending Motion OT3rdg, Finance, SJ 12**

SB 153-FN-A, establishing a law enforcement officers, professional firefighters, and emergency medical technicians career development, recruitment, and retention program and making an appropriation therefor.**03/30/2023, Pending Motion OT3rdg, Finance, SJ 12**

SB 154-FN, relative to tuition waivers for children in guardianships after being in state foster care.**03/09/2023, Pending Motion OT3rdg, Finance, SJ 9**

SB 169-FN-A, making an appropriation to the department of environmental services to fund a water main interconnection project between Nashua and Litchfield.**03/23/2023, Pending Motion OT3rdg, Finance, SJ 11**

SB 175-FN, relative to Medicaid coverage for mothers.**03/23/2023, Pending Motion OT3rdg, Finance, SJ 11**

SB 202-FN-A, relative to establishing a homeownership innovations fund in the New Hampshire housing finance authority.**03/16/2023, Pending Motion OT3rdg, Finance, SJ 10**

SB 205-FN, relative to a cost of living adjustment in the state retirement system.**03/23/2023, Pending Motion OT3rdg, Finance, SJ 11**

SB 230-FN-A, making an appropriation to the department of environmental services for wastewater infrastructure projects.**02/22/2023, Pending Motion OT3rdg, Finance, SJ 8**

SB 231-FN, establishing a historic housing tax credit and making appropriations for workforce housing and affordable housing.**03/23/2023, Pending Motion OT3rdg, Finance, SJ 11**

SB 232-FN-A, making an appropriation to support the work of the New Hampshire Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force.**03/09/2023, Pending Motion OT3rdg, Finance, SJ 9**
SB 233-FN-A, re-establishing the Special Supplemental Nutrition Program for Women, Infants, and Children (WIC) Farmers Market Nutrition Program.**03/16/2023, Pending Motion OT3rdg, Finance, SJ 10**
SB 234-FN-A, directing the department of health and human services to develop a public awareness campaign on brain health, Alzheimer’s disease, and related dementias and making an appropriation therefor.**03/16/2023, Pending Motion OT3rdg, Finance, SJ 10**
SB 237-FN, relative to the child care scholarship program and making an appropriation therefor.**03/30/2023, Pending Motion OT3rdg, Finance, SJ 12**
SB 241-FN, relative to graduated public assistance programs.**03/30/2023, Pending Motion OT3rdg, Finance, SJ 12**
SB 242-FN, relative to Medicaid direct certification.**03/30/2023, Pending Motion OT3rdg, Finance, SJ 12**
SB 270-FN-A, relative to appropriations to the department of transportation.**03/23/2023, Pending Motion OT3rdg, Finance, SJ 11**

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CONSENT CALENDAR REPORTS

EDUCATION

HB 35, requiring student identification cards to include the National Eating Disorders Hotline.
 Ought to Pass, Vote 5-0.
 Senator Prentiss for the committee.

House Bill 35 would include the National Eating Disorder Hotline on the back of all public-school student ID cards. This would join the National Suicide Prevention Hotline and is intended to provide support to students while mitigating the unique and wide-ranging health conditions that disproportionately affect the youth.

HB 275-L, relative to schools approved for a school tuition program by a school board.
 Ought to Pass with Amendment, Vote 5-0.
 Senator Lang for the committee.

House Bill 275-L would modify school tuition programs by allowing students to transfer to an approved recipient school, despite the tuition rate exceeding what the sending district is able to accommodate. HB 275-L enabled parents to cover the cost differential between the districts to enroll their student, so long as the district had at least one public anchor school which would result in no additional expense.

HB 349, relative to a special purpose school district for Bridgewater, Hebron, and Groton.
 Ought to Pass with Amendment, Vote 5-0.
 Senator Prentiss for the committee.

House Bill 349 is limited legislation, seeking to uniquely enable the towns of Bridgewater, Hebron, and Groton to begin to withdraw from the Newfound Area School District, for the purpose of establishing a Special Purpose School District for the three towns. Further, the Special Purpose School District would have an expanded configuration from that of a K-5 to a K-8 district.

HB 364-FN, relative to transportation for students attending career and technical education centers.
 Ought to Pass, Vote 5-0.
 Senator Lang for the committee.

House Bill 364 authorizes the Department of Education to reimburse transportation costs for Career and Technical Education students and at-risk students attending alternative educational programs. The formula utilized to calculate reimbursement will be established by the State Board of Education pursuant to RSA 541-A, and shall account for vehicle type, mileage, and number of trips made.

HB 492-FN, requiring the department of education to provide the house and senate standing committees responsible for education with copies of the laws and rules relative to education.
 Ought to Pass with Amendment, Vote 5-0.
 Senator Prentiss for the committee.

House Bill 492 directs the Department of Education to provide House and Senate standing committees with copies of the annotated laws and rules relative to education, at the request of the committee chair. At the beginning of each session of the biennium, the Commissioner of Education will be expected to ensure committees are supplied with the requested number of copies, in the form of a physical book, a portable data storage device, or searchable internet data base.

HB 530-L, relative to withdrawal from a cooperative school district.

Ought to Pass, Vote 5-0.

Senator Gendreau for the committee.

House Bill 530 amends RSA 195:29 and reorganizes the procedure for withdrawal from a cooperative school district. Under HB 530, a district may now depart a cooperative unilaterally with a 3/5 supermajority vote at their town meeting, which may only be contested with a complementary 3/5 supermajority vote against withdrawal from the original cooperative district.

HB 572-FN, relative to eligibility for free school meals.

Re-refer to Committee, Vote 5-0.

Senator Lang for the committee.

House Bill 572 would expand the eligibility for free and reduced school meals by increasing the income threshold from 185% of the federal poverty line, to 300% of the federal poverty line. This would effectively eliminate the reduced meals category, and as proposed, the program would be supported by the Education Trust Fund.

HB 640, relative to cost recovery for vocational rehabilitation programs.

Ought to Pass, Vote 5-0.

Senator Lang for the committee.

House Bill 640 is legislation developed on behalf of the Department of Education. HB 640 would repeal RSA 200-C:6-a, eliminating the State's right to recover the costs of vocational rehabilitative services from an individual who received a third-party benefit or reward. The RSA being repealed had not been utilized in at least 20 years according to Department officials and was overlooked in prior revisions.

ELECTION LAW AND MUNICIPAL AFFAIRS

HB 154, relative to the adoption of public health ordinances by municipalities.

Re-refer to Committee, Vote 5-0.

Senator Gray for the committee.

This bill will change the process of how regulations proposed by town health officials are approved and take effect. The goal of this legislation is to include the residents of the town in the decision making process needed to approve health ordinances that will affect everyone. As written, while well intended, the changes could have consequences that would negatively affect public health.

HB 195, relative to the definition of political advocacy organization.

Ought to Pass, Vote 5-0.

Senator Perkins Kwoka for the committee.

This bill will reduce the threshold for Political Advocacy Organizations to disclose expenditures, from \$5,000 to \$2,500. In a small state like New Hampshire, \$2,500 can have a significant impact on the outcome of an election. This modification will result in greater transparency for voters as they consider contributions and support for a particular candidate.

HB 244, relative to the printing of the election day checklist.

Ought to Pass with Amendment, Vote 5-0.

Senator Gray for the committee.

This bill, as amended, modifies the latest date and time that an absentee ballot may be requested by mail or in person at the clerk's office. The clerk shall mail absentee ballots for verified ballot requests. The modifications allow enough time for the ballot to be received by the voter.

HB 284, relative to financial information regarding requests for bids and proposals and to raise the minimum value of county purchases of equipment or materials which are subject to competitive bidding.

Ought to Pass, Vote 5-0.

Senator Murphy for the committee.

This bill makes modifications to statutes regarding county contracts subject to competitive bidding. Many counties have found it difficult to receive responses for bids at the current \$5,000 mark due to the low value of the contract. HB 284 increases the minimum value of these contracts from \$5,000 to \$10,000 and makes this consistent across all counties. In addition, language has been added which allows certain information, explaining the cancellation of the bidding process, to be shared.

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENTS AND ADMINISTRATION

HB 136, relative to the department of health and human services collaborating and holding a roll call vote on final proposal of rules with the advisory council prior to departmental rulemaking.

Ought to Pass, Vote 5-0.

Senator Perkins Kwoka for the committee.

HB136 allows the advisory council to the Prescription Drug Monitoring Program to have the opportunity to provide input via a roll call on proposed rules before they are adopted by the Department. This allows for an additional input to improve the rulemaking process in the Department of Health and Human Services.

HB 215, relative to the adoption of rules by the department of health and human services regarding medication administration by licensed nursing assistants.

Ought to Pass, Vote 5-0.

Senator Gendreau for the committee.

HB 215 expands the existing reimbursement program. Currently DHHS will reimburse licensed nursing assistants who have completed a nursing assistant training program if they're employed by a nursing facility. HB 215 expands that program to LNA's who choose to complete additional training to become a Medicaid nursing assistant.

HB 228, relative to repealing the commission on demographic trends.

Inexpedient to Legislate, Vote 5-0.

Senator Gendreau for the committee.

HB 228 would repeal the recently created commission to study demographic trends in New Hampshire. The information from this commission can be used to assist in better policy making in the future.

HB 238, relative to the role of quality control and the developmental disability service system.

Ought to Pass with Amendment, Vote 5-0.

Senator Perkins Kwoka for the committee.

HB 238 as amended will allow the developmental quality control council to provide feedback to DHHS on the quality of services provided to the developmentally disabled community in New Hampshire in a systematic way, and provide for DHHS feedback on a quarterly basis. As amended, the bill also creates dialogue between the department and the council on issues of concern.

HB 258, relative to animal chiropractors.

Inexpedient to Legislate, Vote 5-0.

Senator Pearl for the committee.

HB 258 as amended by the house would give OPLC the ability to license and therefore regulate animal chiropractors in the state of NH. These practitioners occupy a niche space between veterinary and chiropractic medicine. There is little evidence that this is an issue affecting New Hampshire animal owners.

HB 330-FN-A, relative to the national guard recruitment incentive program and its funding and rulemaking.

Ought to Pass, Vote 5-0.

Senator Pearl for the committee.

HB 330 as introduced provides a streamlining of the rulemaking process for the National Guard in New Hampshire. In current law there were requirements that created a cumbersome process for the National Guard that can easily be handled internally. This bill also allows the National Guard to provide a \$1,000 enlistment incentive up from the previous \$500.

HB 461-FN, relative to elimination by political subdivision employers of a retirement system position.

Ought to Pass with Amendment, Vote 5-0.

Senator Pearl for the committee.

HB 461-FN as introduced required political subdivision employers to obtain an analysis from the New Hampshire Retirement System when eliminating or transferring a group II position from full time to part time. The amendment to this bill creates a study commission to study this issue and how widespread it is.

HB 519-FN, relative to establishing a chief information security officer for the department of information technology.

Ought to Pass, Vote 5-0.

Senator Gendreau for the committee.

HB 519 is a simple house keeping bill that gives a new title to a position within the Department of Internet Technology. This change will clearly define the position's responsibilities in statute. This position is currently filled therefore it has no fiscal impact. The department also believes this title change may allow them to more easily recruit a replacement in the event of the position becoming open.

HB 594-FN, relative to the licensure of out-of-state applicants to boards or commissions organized under the office of professional licensure and certification.

Ought to Pass, Vote 5-0.

Senator Pearl for the committee.

HB 594-FN authorizes the OPLC to issue licenses to out of state applicants who are licensed in another state, if the other state's licensing requirements are substantially similar to those in New Hampshire. Applicants would need to submit to criminal background checks if otherwise required by the profession they are seeking to be licensed in. This bill serves to increase reciprocity for licensing in New Hampshire.

HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

HB 323, relative to establishing a committee on emerging medical technologies.

Ought to Pass, Vote 5-0.

Senator Prentiss for the committee.

HB 323 establishes a joint legislative committee on emerging medical technologies. This bill honors the late Representative Katherine Rogers and continues the work she led in ensuring that Granite Staters have access to potentially life-saving medical care. The joint legislative committee will establish a brain trust in the General Court on emerging medical technologies, so that when new procedures and tools come forward for regulation in the future there is an established group of legislators who can speak knowledgeably about them. The Committee heard about the importance that emerging medical technologies, such as biomarkers, have on finding successful, effective methods of treatment for serious medical conditions.

HB 342-FN, relative to lead testing in children.

Ought to Pass, Vote 5-0.

Senator Whitley for the committee.

HB 342-FN establishes a blood lead level testing documentation requirement for children entering day care and public schools. This is not a new testing requirement for children; it only requires that blood lead level test results be documented on the health records form that is already required to enter day care or public schools. Lead poisoning is a significant problem and the compliance rate with the existing blood lead level testing requirement is declining. The Committee believes that requiring documentation, and providing an opportunity for educational engagement with parents and guardians, will improve the compliance rate, improving the health of children and saving schools money by addressing learning difficulties caused by lead poisoning at an earlier stage.

HB 426, relative to the regulation of pharmacists-in-charge and pharmacies.

Ought to Pass, Vote 5-0.

Senator Avard for the committee.

HB 426 adjusts how pharmacy permit holders are defined. This is a simple bill to update the regulation of pharmacies from the practices of 1923 to the practices of 2023. Currently, pharmacists are held accountable for licensure matters they have no control over – such as a leaky roof or an inadequate ventilation system. HB 426 would ensure each licensed pharmacist is held accountable for their own work in the pharmacy and not for organizational issues outside of their scope of practice.

JUDICIARY

HB 46-FN, establishing a committee to study replacement of bail commissioners with court magistrates.

Ought to Pass, Vote 5-0.

Senator Carson for the committee.

At the request of the Judicial Branch, House Bill 46 would establish a committee to study the use of court magistrates throughout the state court system to supplement or replace the current bail commissioner positions. The committee will be tasked with examining the benefits and problems with the current bail commissioner system, the potential structure of a court magistrate system, and the replacement and supplementation of bail commissioners with court magistrates.

HB 107-FN, relative to employment restrictions for registered sex offenders.

Re-refer to Committee, Vote 5-0.

Senator Carson for the committee.

House Bill 107 would prohibit a person convicted of certain sexual assault offenses from hiring or otherwise engaging in any employment or volunteer service which provides direct services to a minor, or supervision or oversight of a minor. The Committee felt that while the intention of this bill was worthwhile, more work needs to be done on it before final consideration.

HB 200, relative to choice of counselor to evaluate a child in family court proceedings.

Re-refer to Committee, Vote 5-0.

Senator Carson for the committee.

House Bill 200 would require courts to select counselors that are participating providers in a family's insurance network if the courts order a mandatory evaluation or therapy for a minor. The Committee deemed there was a lot of merit to this bill, but it had too many problems and the Committee would like more time to work on the bill further.

HB 266, relative to notice and public access requirements for hybrid and virtual agency public comment hearings for rulemaking.

Ought to Pass, Vote 5-0.

Senator Bradley for the committee.

House Bill 266 would amend the Administrative Procedure Act to insert notice and public access requirements for hybrid and virtual agency public comment hearings. This bill was a request from the JLCAR staff, and it is essentially a recodification of the Governor's executive orders when dealing with virtual and hybrid meeting requirements to ensure the public has full access.

HB 308, relative to a quorum for meetings open to the public to include remote presence.

Ought to Pass with Amendment, Vote 5-0.

Senator Chandley for the committee.

House Bill 308 would allow for certain state boards to vote to allow one or more members to participate in a meeting remotely when physical attendance at the meeting site is not reasonably practicable. The Committee Amendment would allow members of the public to participate remotely in remotely held state board meetings. The Committee Amendment also makes minor grammatical changes to the bill. This bill will allow for remote participation only if one-third of a state board is physically present at the meeting location. Remote participation is needed so these boards can achieve quorum and vote on key items.

HB 491, relative to prohibiting the use of the prone restraint for minors.

Ought to Pass, Vote 5-0.

Senator Whitley for the committee.

House Bill 491 would prohibit the use of prone restraint on a child in a school or treatment facility. Prone restraint, a serious and dangerous restraint technique, is already illegal in New Hampshire through the prohibition of dangerous restraint techniques as described in RSA 126-U. Despite this, prone restraints are still employed on children in facilities in New Hampshire. There is a significant increase in the risk of death when restraints are performed with a child in the prone position, therefore this practice should not be used on children. This bill will provide important and necessary clarification of the law and is greatly needed to protect the children of New Hampshire.

HB 497-FN, relative to the confidentiality of records within the division of children, youth, and families.

Inexpedient to Legislate, Vote 5-0.

Senator Carson for the committee.

House Bill 497 would have allowed courts to disclose certain records with ongoing DCYF cases involving harm to a child. However, DCYF regularly releases records to the parents or anyone else who is allowed under RSA 170-G:8-a once they have determined there is no harm to the child. This bill would backlog cases in DCYF and would only make our current law more confusing and complex.

HB 504-FN, relative to the adult parole board and making an appropriation therefor.

Ought to Pass, Vote 5-0.

Senator Whitley for the committee.

House Bill 504 would allow the appointment of a previous Adult Parole Board member to sit on the board, amend the stipend for the vice chairperson of the Adult Parole Board, and make an appropriation to the

board. The Committee heard compelling testimony that the Adult Parole Board is a full-time job, and the members deserve to be compensated appropriately. Without passage of this bill, the Adult Parole Board will continue to have difficulty recruiting good quality candidates to serve.

HB 583-FN, relative to the termination of child support.

Inexpedient to Legislate, Vote 5-0.

Senator Chandley for the committee.

House Bill 583 would alter the time at which a child support obligation terminates. There was no one at the public hearing who spoke in support of the complicated changes proposed. The Department of Health and Human Services is opposed to the bill as there are numerous provisions in law which would be affected. The bill would likely make it difficult for DHHS to enforce and accurately track proper dates for termination of support. The bill also does not include an appropriation of funds that DHHS would need to create a new system of tracking child support cases.

WAYS AND MEANS

HB 297, relative to the state's dedicated funds review.

Ought to Pass, Vote 5-0.

Senator Rosenwald for the committee.

HB297 establishes a list of funds and accounts which are exempt from dedicated fund reporting and review requirements. While the bill also repeals the Room and Board Scholarship Fund and the Cold Case Homicide Unit Fund, it is important to note that the Cold Case Homicide Unit is funded with general funds. The particular fund that is repealed by this bill was set up to receive donations. Since there has only been a single \$100 donation, the Dedicated Funds Committee recommended it be repealed.

REGULAR CALENDAR REPORTS

COMMERCE

HB 42-FN, relative to the operation of certain homeowners' associations.

Ought to Pass, Vote 4-0.

Senator Soucy for the committee.

HB 210, relative to fire insurance contracts.

Ought to Pass, Vote 4-0.

Senator Innis for the committee.

HB 249, establishing regulatory standards for the pet insurance industry and allowing restaurant owners to keep their dog on the premises.

Ought to Pass, Vote 4-0.

Senator Chandley for the committee.

HB 261, authorizing residential tenants to terminate their lease in instances of domestic violence or following a disabling illness or accident.

Re-refer to Committee, Vote 4-0.

Senator Chandley for the committee.

HB 479, relative to administrative hearings, automation of electronic notices to insurance licensees, and insurance producer activities.

Ought to Pass, Vote 4-0.

Senator Innis for the committee.

EDUCATION

HB 129-FN-L, relative to menstrual hygiene products in schools.

Inexpedient to Legislate, Vote 4-1.

Senator Gendreau for the committee.

HB 536, relative to the chartered public school joint legislative oversight committee.

Ought to Pass with Amendment, Vote 3-2.

Senator Lang for the committee.

ELECTION LAW AND MUNICIPAL AFFAIRS

HB 75, to increase the threshold of county owned personal property subject to competitive bidding.

Ought to Pass with Amendment, Vote 3-2.

Senator Gray for the committee.

HB 87, relative to county responsibility for capital building projects.

Ought to Pass, Vote 4-0.

Senator Soucy for the committee.

HB 197-L, relative to the proration of property tax exemptions.

Ought to Pass, Vote 3-2.

Senator Murphy for the committee.

HB 392-FN, relative to constitutional convention procedures for delegates.

Re-refer to Committee, Vote 5-0.

Senator Gray for the committee.

ENERGY AND NATURAL RESOURCES

HB 81, establishing a study committee to examine all ancillary charges for propane gas sales.

Inexpedient to Legislate, Vote 3-0.

Senator Pearl for the committee.

HB 174, relative to the filing of notice of intent to cut timber.

Ought to Pass, Vote 4-0.

Senator Watters for the committee.

HB 214, relative to limitations on the designation of a portion of the Merrimack river.

Ought to Pass, Vote 3-0.

Senator Birdsell for the committee.

HB 247-FN, relative to protective well radii.

Ought to Pass, Vote 3-0.

Senator Watters for the committee.

HB 252, exempting agricultural operations from certain municipal noise ordinances.

Ought to Pass with Amendment, Vote 4-0.

Senator Pearl for the committee.

HB 534-FN-A, relative to water assistance for natural disasters.

Ought to Pass, Vote 3-0.

Senator Birdsell for the committee.

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENTS AND ADMINISTRATION

HB 457-FN, relative to state treasury pension and insurance fund management.

Ought to Pass, Vote 4-1.

Senator Carson for the committee.

HB 655-FN, relative to the office of professional licensure and certification.

Ought to Pass, Vote 3-2.

Senator Carson for the committee.

FINANCE

HB 377-FN, relative to screening and intervention in public schools and public charter schools for dyslexia and related disorders, and establishing an addition to adequate education grants for certain pupils screened for dyslexia and related disorders.

Ought to Pass, Vote 7-0.

Senator Birdsell for the committee.

HB 555-FN-A, appropriating state general fund surplus toward the retirement system unfunded accrued liability.

Ought to Pass with Amendment, Vote 5-2.

Senator Gray for the committee.

HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

HB 217, establishing a committee to study the effects of fluoride on fetuses and children.

Inexpedient to Legislate, Vote 4-1.

Senator Birdsell for the committee.

HB 500, relative to prescribing opioids via telehealth medicine.

Ought to Pass with Amendment, Vote 4-0.

Senator Birdsell for the committee.

HB 642-FN, relative to wait list registry and budget flexibility for services for the developmentally disabled.

Ought to Pass with Amendment, Vote 4-0.

Senator Whitley for the committee.

JUDICIARY

HB 31-FN, repealing the prohibition on the possession or sale of blackjacks, slung shots, and metallic knuckles.
Inexpedient to Legislate, Vote 4-1.

Senator Whitley for the committee.

HB 89, relative to posthumous exonerations.

Inexpedient to Legislate, Vote 3-2.

Senator Abbas for the committee.

HB 97-FN, establishing an additional penalty for a violation of privacy.

Ought to Pass with Amendment, Vote 5-0.

Senator Carson for the committee.

HB 135-FN, prohibiting no-knock warrants.

Inexpedient to Legislate, Vote 3-2.

Senator Abbas for the committee.

HB 156, relative to misconduct by a law enforcement officer.

Inexpedient to Legislate, Vote 3-2.

Senator Abbas for the committee.

HB 201-FN, relative to changing the penalties for driving without a license.

Inexpedient to Legislate, Vote 3-2.

Senator Abbas for the committee.

HB 588-FN, relative to the criteria for applying for parole.

Inexpedient to Legislate, Vote 3-2.

Senator Abbas for the committee.

HB 624-FN, relative to federal immigration checkpoints.

Inexpedient to Legislate, Vote 3-2.

Senator Abbas for the committee.

WAYS AND MEANS

HB 440-FN, relative to the uses of education trust fund.

Ought to Pass with Amendment, Vote 3-2.

Senator Lang for the committee.

AMENDMENTS

Election Law and Municipal Affairs

May 3, 2023

2023-1630s

02/10

Amendment to HB 75

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

AN ACT relative to the election of Strafford county commissioners.

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

1 Strafford County; Elected for 2-Year Term; County Commissioner Districts. Amend RSA 653:1, VI(c) to read as follows:

(c) Strafford county-~~[3 county commissioners by all the voters of the county]~~ ***one county commissioner by the voters in each county commissioner district;***

2 Strafford County; County Commissioner Districts. Amend the introductory paragraph of RSA 662:4 to read as follows:

662:4 County Commissioner Districts. ~~[Except for Strafford county where 3 county commissioners shall be elected at large,]~~ For the purposes of choosing county commissioners, the counties shall be divided into districts as follows:

3 Strafford County; County Commissioner Districts. Amend RSA 662:4, IX to read as follows:

IX. Strafford: District 1, the towns of Farmington, Middleton, Milton, New Durham, wards 1, 5, and 6, of the city of Rochester, and wards 1, 2, 3, 4, and 5 of the city of Somersworth; District 2,

wards 1, 2, 3, and 4 of the city of Dover, and the towns of Durham, Lee, and Rollinsford; District 3, Barrington, wards 5 and 6 of the city of Dover, Madbury, wards 2, 3, and 4 of the city of Rochester, and the town of Strafford.

X. Sullivan: District 1, the town of Cornish and the city of Claremont; District 2, the towns of Croydon, Grantham, Newport, Plainfield, and Springfield; District 3, the towns of Acworth, Charlestown, Goshen, Langdon, Lempster, Sunapee, Unity, and Washington.

4 Effective Date. This act shall take effect for the 2024 general election cycle.

2023-1630s

AMENDED ANALYSIS

This bill changes how county commissioners are elected in Strafford county and sets the county commissioner districts in Strafford county.

Senate Judiciary

April 28, 2023

2023-1560s

07/05

Amendment to HB 97-FN

Amend the bill by replacing section 1 with the following:

1 New Paragraph; Breaches of the Peace; Violation of Privacy. Amend RSA 644:9 by inserting after paragraph V the following new paragraph:

VI. Any person who is convicted of a second or subsequent offense under paragraphs I-III-a, based on a complaint which alleged that the person has had one or more prior convictions under paragraphs I-III-a, or under a reasonably equivalent offense in an out-of-state jurisdiction, shall be guilty of a class B felony.

Senate Executive Departments and Administration

April 26, 2023

2023-1534s

06/05

Amendment to HB 238

Amend RSA 171-A:33 as inserted by section 1 of the bill by replacing it with the following:

1 Developmental Services Quality Council; Developmental Services Quality Council Established; Membership; Duties. RSA 171-A:33 is repealed and reenacted to read as follows:

171-A:33 Developmental Services Quality Council Established; Membership; Duties.

I. There is established the developmental services quality council to provide leadership for consistent, systemic review and improvement of the quality of the developmental disability and acquired brain disorder services provided within New Hampshire's developmental services system. At least 51 percent of the members of the council shall be individuals with disabilities served by the system or parents of individuals served by the system. The members of the council shall be as follows:

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

(b) A representative of People First of New Hampshire, appointed by such organization.

(c) A representative of Advocates Building Lasting Equality in New Hampshire (ABLE NH), appointed by such organization.

(d) A representative of the New Hampshire council on autism spectrum disorders who shall be either the individual who has an autism spectrum disorder or the family member of a person who has an autism spectrum disorder, appointed by the council.

(e) A representative of the Brain Injury Association of New Hampshire, appointed by the association.

(f) Two representatives of the New Hampshire Developmental Disabilities Council, at least one of whom shall be a person with a developmental disability, appointed by the council.

(g) Three representatives of local Family Support Councils, appointed by the state Family Support Council.

(h) One direct support professional and one enhanced family care provider, appointed by the New Hampshire Developmental Disabilities Council.

(i) Three representatives of area agency boards of directors including at least 2 persons with a developmental disability or family members of such persons, appointed by the Community Support Network Incorporated.

(j) A representative of the Community Support Network Incorporated, appointed by such organization.

(k) A representative of the Private Provider Network, appointed by such organization.

(l) The director of the Institute on Disability, University of New Hampshire, or designee.

(m) A representative of the Disability Rights Center - NH, appointed by the center.

(n) Up to 5 additional members, nominated by the council and appointed by the governor.

II. The groups represented under paragraph I are encouraged to provide, according to their ability, the in-kind and other resources necessary for the council to succeed. The council may request information and analysis on quality from the department of health and human services, area agencies, and providers. The council shall have access to all non-confidential information on quality for services funded all or in part by public funds.

III. The council shall regularly review information on the quality of developmental services in New Hampshire and make recommendations for improving service quality and the quality assurance and continuous improvement systems, including, but not limited to:

(a) Standards of quality and performance expected of area agencies and provider agencies.

(b) Types of data to be collected, analyzed, and disseminated to determine whether standards are being met.

(c) Quality assurance and oversight mechanisms to be used to gather data and information.

(d) Content, frequency, and recipients of quality evaluation and improvement reports.

(e) Expectations and procedures for following up on identified areas where improvements are needed.

(f) Structures, policies, rules, and practices, including staffing or organizational changes, to ensure that the developmental services system works as intended in RSA 171-A:1, including:

(1) Ways of supporting values-based and person-centered service planning and provision, as well as problem solving, innovation, and learning;

(2) Recognizing and disseminating what is working well (best/model practices);

(3) Significant changes proposed by the department relating to, or which may impact any of, the practices, policies, standards, rates, budgets, funding formulae, or rights pertaining to eligibility or provision of supports and services under RSA 171-A; and

(4) Reviewing, clarifying, and disseminating data and information on a regular basis to bring about transparency for all stakeholders and the public.

IV. The council shall provide the department with recommendations for improving service quality and the quality assurance and continuous improvement systems, no more frequently than quarterly. The department shall respond in writing within 30 business days of receipt of the council's recommendations with a statement indicating whether it agrees or disagrees with each of the council's recommendations. Following receipt of the department's response, the council shall place the response on the next council meeting agenda for discussion by the commissioner's designee on the council. Within 60 business days of the council meeting, discussion, and record of the discussion in the minutes, the department shall provide:

(a) For each recommendation it agrees with, a detailed plan for how the department will address the areas identified as needing improvement including the specific steps the department plans to take, along with a timeline for each step;

(b) For any recommendation it does not agree with, an explanation of the basis for its disagreement and rationale for its decision not to take action on any specific recommendation; and

(c) If the department is unable to respond to the council's recommendations within the time frames above, the department shall inform the council in writing and include the reasons for not being able to respond within the time frames.

V. The quarterly limit as described in paragraph IV is not intended to restrict the council's ability to comment on rules, regulations, proposals, or other initiatives impacting the quality of services for people with developmental disabilities and acquired brain disorders as needed throughout the year.

VI. The council shall make an annual report beginning on November 1, 2010 that includes its recommendations and an assessment of the actions taken in response to previous recommendations to the governor, the speaker of the house of representatives, the president of the senate, the members of the house committee on health, human services and elderly affairs and the members of the senate committee on health and human services.

VII. The meetings shall be convened by the chair or vice chair of the council or commissioner of the department of health and human services, or designee, and shall meet regularly as determined by the council. The meetings shall be open to the public and subject to the provisions of RSA 91-A, the right-to-know law. The council may establish bylaws for governing its meetings, decisions, and other operations. For the purpose of convening council meetings in compliance with RSA 91-A, a quorum of the council shall be a majority plus one member of the appointed members of the council. Members who are not able to be physically present at council meetings due to their disabilities or the disability of a family member shall be counted as attending "in person" for the purpose of the establishment of a quorum provided that each member participating electronically or otherwise is able to simultaneously hear and speak to each of the other council members during the meeting, and shall be audible or otherwise discernable to public in attendance at the meeting's location. Any member participating in such fashion shall identify the persons present in the location from which the member is participating.

2023-1534s

AMENDED ANALYSIS

This bill directs the developmental services quality council to provide periodic recommendations to the department of health and human services and directs the department to respond to the council within a specified period of time.

Election Law and Municipal Affairs

April 18, 2023

2023-1421s

08/10

Amendment to HB 244

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

AN ACT relative to the delivery of absentee ballots.

Amend RSA 657:15, I as inserted by section 1 of the bill by replacing it with the following:

I. When the verification required by RSA 657:12 or 657:13 has been made, the clerk shall retain the application and, without delay, personally deliver, email, or mail to the applicant the appropriate ballot and materials as described in RSA 657:7 through 657:8 or designate an assistant to deliver such materials to the applicant. The clerk's option to email an absentee ballot to a voter shall apply only to absentee ballot applications from UOCAVA voters. The clerk shall ~~send~~ **mail** absentee ballots in response to verified absentee ballot requests ~~until 5:00~~ **that have been received by 12:00** p.m. on the day before the election. **The clerk shall provide an absentee ballot to any voter requesting an absentee ballot in person at the clerk's office up until 5:00 p.m. on the day before the election or as may be provided elsewhere in Title LXIII.** The clerk may not designate as an assistant any person who is a candidate for nomination or office or who is working for such a candidate. Any ballots sent pursuant to the provisions of this section shall be mailed or delivered only by officials from the city or town clerk's office and delivered only to the applicant. If the address to which the absent voter's ballot is sent is outside the United States or Canada, such papers shall be sent by air mail. Said clerks shall keep lists of the names and addresses, arranged by voting places, of all applicants to whom official absentee ballots have been sent, and shall identify those official absentee ballots which have been returned to the clerk and shall record the absentee voter applicant information in the statewide centralized voter registration database. The lists shall not be available for public inspection at any time without a court order.

Energy and Natural Resources
 April 26, 2023
 2023-1525s
 07/05

Amendment to HB 252

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

AN ACT exempting certain agricultural operations from certain municipal noise ordinances.

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

1 Purpose and Powers of Towns; Noise Ordinances; Agricultural Activities Exempt. Amend RSA 31:39, I(n) to read as follows:

(n) Regulating noise, ***except that no “quiet hours” ordinance or bylaw that attempts to regulate noise from activities related to farms, agriculture, and farming as defined in RSA 21:34-a shall be enforceable within a town. This exception shall not apply to agritourism as defined in RSA 21:34-a, II(b)(5).***

2 New Paragraph: Powers of City Councils; Bylaws and Ordinances; Agricultural Activities Exempt. Amend RSA 47:17 by inserting after paragraph XIX the following new paragraph:

XX. No “quiet hours” ordinance or bylaw that attempts to regulate noise from activities related to farms, agriculture, and farming as defined in RSA 21:34-a shall be enforceable within a city. This exception shall not apply to agritourism as defined in RSA 21:34-a, II(b)(5).

2023-1525s

AMENDED ANALYSIS

This bill exempts farming and agricultural operations, excluding agritourism activities, from municipal noise ordinances.

Senate Education
 April 19, 2023
 2023-1435s
 10/05

Amendment to HB 275-LOCAL

Amend the bill by replacing section 1 with the following:

1 Change of School or Assignment; School Tuition Program. Amend RSA 193:3, VI to read as follows:

VI. If there is no public school for the child’s grade in the resident district, the school board may contract with another public school in another school district or with any private school that has been approved as a school tuition program by the school board, and may raise and appropriate money for the purposes of the contract, if the school district decides it is in the best interest of the pupil. The district may either assign all children to schools that have been approved as a school tuition program, or allow each child’s parent to choose a school from among schools that have been approved as a school tuition program. ***To enroll a child in a tuition school approved by the local school board whose tuition cost is above the district’s established tuition cost per pupil as determined and approved by the board, the local board may require the parent to pay the tuition cost difference as long as at least one option is a public school designated as the anchor school and does not require additional tuition payment from the parent.***

Senate Judiciary
 April 28, 2023
 2023-1562s
 06/07

Amendment to HB 308

Amend RSA 91-A:2, IV(a) as inserted by section 1 of the bill by replacing it with the following:

(a) A state board covered by this paragraph may vote to allow one or more members to participate in a meeting remotely only when physical attendance at the meeting site is not reasonably practicable. Any reason that such attendance is not reasonably practicable shall be stated in the minutes of the meeting. The authority granted under this paragraph may be revoked, renewed, or modified in the same manner as it is approved.

Amend RSA 91-A:2, IV(b) as inserted by section 1 of the bill by replacing it with the following:

(b) At least one-third of the total membership of the state board shall be present at the physical location of the meeting. Each member participating electronically or otherwise shall be able to contemporaneously and throughout the meeting see and hear, and be seen and heard by, the other members of the public body attending the meeting and members of the public in attendance at the meeting site. A member participating in a meeting remotely as described in this paragraph is deemed to be present for all purposes, including for determination of a quorum and voting. Each member participating remotely shall identify the persons present in the location from which the member is participating. All votes taken during such a meeting shall be by roll call vote. Members of the public shall be permitted to participate remotely in remotely held state board meetings, including testifying or asking questions as the rules and procedures of the board allow.

2023-1562s

AMENDED ANALYSIS

This bill allows for certain state boards to vote to allow one or more members to participate in a meeting remotely when physical attendance at the meeting site is not reasonably practicable and permits members of the public to participate remotely in these remote meetings.

Senate Education
 April 19, 2023
 2023-1437s
 10/08

Amendment to HB 349

Amend the bill by replacing section 1 with the following:

1 Establishment of Special Purpose School District.

I. Having established by law in 1997 a special purpose village district to construct, own and maintain a public school facility; and having already built and owned outright with no debt the Bridgewater-Hebron Village School (K-5) whose maintenance and capital costs are paid for by the towns of Bridgewater and Hebron and overseen by 3 elected commissioners; and notwithstanding any other provision of law to the contrary, the towns of Bridgewater, Hebron, and Groton are hereby authorized to withdraw from the Newfound Area School District and establish a public school district comprised of the geographical limits of the aforementioned 3 towns. Subsequent to formation, the school district shall operate in accordance with the provisions contained in RSA 194 and except as modified herein, the laws pertaining to operating a newly formed cooperative school district as set forth in RSA 195 and operating school administrative units as set forth in RSA 194-C. The new district shall be named the Bridgewater-Hebron-Groton Special Purpose School District, or such other name as is subsequently approved by the elected school board of the district. The creation of this new public school district shall be contingent upon a majority vote in each of the 3 towns at their 2024 annual meetings, adopting the provisions of this act; whereupon the effective operational date of this district shall be July 1, 2025.

II. The state board of education shall issue a certificate of withdrawal from the Newfound Area School District after the initial vote by the towns to adopt the provisions of this act. A special meeting of the voters in the withdrawing district for the election of board members and officers shall be held at a time set by the state board of education after consultation with the selectmen of the 3 towns. The warrant for this special meeting shall be proposed by the selectmen of the 3 towns, approved by the state board of education and signed by the commissioner of the department of education, shall provide for the election of officers in the newly created school district. The commissioner of education shall have authority to appoint such officers pro tem as may be necessary pending the district special meeting held to elect officers. In addition, the special meeting shall have the same power and authority as an annual meeting to raise and appropriate money, but it may defer the process of adopting a budget for the first operational fiscal year until the next annual meeting or such annual meeting as may be appropriate for adoption of a budget for the first operational fiscal year. The school district officers elected at said meeting shall take office and organize promptly such that they carry out the duties of their office and take any action necessary to carry out the provisions of this law. The initial board shall consist of 3 elected members, with one member from the town of Bridgewater, one member from the town of Hebron, one member from the town of Groton. The initial term of the member from Bridgewater shall be for a 2-year term, with the other initial members and all subsequent members serving 3-year terms.

III. The elected school board for the Bridgewater-Hebron-Groton Special Purpose School District shall have the responsibility and authority granted to a school board of a cooperative school district. It shall have the responsibility to effectuate plans and policies for the ensuing operation of the district, hold the necessary budgetary hearings and if not adopted at the special meeting, propose the initial operating budget to the legislative body of the created district at an annual meeting of the district to be held in the same manner as an operating school district under RSA 195, RSA 197 and RSA 198 for adoption of an operating budget for the fiscal year commencing on the effective date of operation. This annual meeting shall have the same power and authority as the annual meeting of a fully operating school district including, but not limited to the raising or appropriating money for the ensuing fiscal year.

IV. The school district may rent or lease a facility from the Bridgewater-Hebron Village District and notwithstanding any law to the contrary, may, subject to any state design, safety, and space requirements, vote to expand the grades served by a school within the district up to twelfth grade. The Bridgewater-Hebron Village District shall give priority in any lease or rental agreement to the students within the Bridgewater-Hebron-Groton Special Purpose School District. The school district may educate students in grades 9 and above outside the district pursuant to tuition agreements. The school district may make all other contracts necessary to carry out the purposes of a public school district, and may exercise any other power conferred upon single school districts under RSA 194:2, RSA 194:3 and any other applicable laws. The department of education shall work collaboratively with the new district to ensure that grant funds and adequacy aid are properly allocated to the Bridgewater-Hebron-Groton Special Purpose School District.

V. On and after its establishment, the Bridgewater-Hebron-Groton Special Purpose School District shall be deemed to be a duly organized school district for purposes of its eligibility to apply for and receive all forms of aid, grants, and guarantees with respect to the school building including, but not limited to, school building aid under RSA 198 and the state guarantee of bonds or notes under RSA 195-C. The amount of school building aid shall be based on the calculations applicable to a cooperative school district comprised of the 3 towns. The operating costs and any capital outlay costs for the district shall be apportioned between the 3 towns in accordance with the following formula:

(a) One hundred percent of all such costs shall be apportioned on the basis of the average daily membership from each town for the preceding year; or

(b) Such other formula as is recommended and proposed by the school, adopted by majority vote of the district meeting and approved by the state board of education.

VI. This act shall be construed to authorize such school district to staff and operate such school district, to otherwise provide public education to any pupil, to exercise any other power reserved to school districts. The district is granted such powers as are expressly stated in this act or necessary by implication to effectuate the purposes authorized by this section. In addition, the Bridgewater-Hebron-Groton Special Purpose School District shall seek to offer employment opportunities to the existing public school staff and faculty in the same manner as the pre-existing district. Further, the Bridgewater-Hebron-Groton Special Purpose School District shall work closely with the Newfound Area School District to offer parents school choice and to accommodate students already enrolled in the new district's school.

VII. Upon the adoption of this act by all 3 towns, the towns in the Bridgewater-Hebron-Groton Special Purpose School District shall be deemed to have effectuated withdrawal from the Newfound Area School District on July 1, 2025, subject to any obligations set forth in RSA 195:27. The newly formed school board may enter into long and short-term tuition agreements with the Newfound Area School District or any other public school district, public academy or school pursuant to RSA 193:3, VI for the education of those resident students in middle or high school who enroll in the Bridgewater-Hebron-Groton Special Purpose School District and may also vote to build additions or a separate school.

VIII. Upon adoption of this act by all 3 towns at their 2024 annual school meetings, the Newfound Area School District board members and budget committee members representing Bridgewater, Hebron and Groton may continue to serve until July 1, 2025. They may participate in matters involving the operation of the Newfound Area School District during the 2024-2025 fiscal year. However, such board members shall be disqualified from voting on any matters involving the proposed budget for the 2025-2026 fiscal year, or any matters involving capital improvements to the Newfound Area School District or on any contractual agreements with other school districts or towns. Because the Bridgewater-Hebron-Groton Special Purpose School District will be holding its own annual meeting, the voters of Bridgewater, Hebron and Groton shall be disqualified from participating in the 2025 annual meeting of the Newfound Area School District. Likewise, upon the passage of this act, the towns of Bridgewater, Hebron and Groton shall not be liable for subsequent borrowing by the Newfound Area School District unless they fail to adopt this act at their 2024 annual meetings.

IX. Notwithstanding the provisions of RSA 195:30 and RSA 194-C:2, the newly formed district shall be deemed to have withdrawn from School Administrative Unit Number 4, as of the specified effective operational date of the Bridgewater-Hebron-Groton Special Purpose School District, and shall be its own school administrative unit with a number assigned by the department of education and may provide for superintendent services in accord with those options available to single school districts, including contracting for such services. The unassigned fund balance of the SAU shall be allocated between the two districts as of June 30, 2024 in accord with the apportionment percentages of the Newfound Area School District budget for the prior fiscal year. The newly formed district may enter into agreements with Newfound Area School District regarding the disposition of school administrative unit assets and liabilities.

X. The select boards of the towns of Bridgewater, Hebron, and Groton may appoint such committees and engage in such study as they deem appropriate in planning for the new district prior to the adoption vote. However, if the select boards of the 3 towns wish to proceed further with this legislation they shall warn the question of adoption of this act for the 2024 annual meeting of the legal voters residing in the towns to see if they will vote to adopt the provisions of this act and create the new school district.

Senate Ways and Means

April 12, 2023

2023-1367s

10/05

Amendment to HB 440-FN

Amend the bill by replacing section 1 with the following:

1 Education Trust Fund. The introductory paragraph of RSA 198:39, I is repealed and reenacted to read as follows:

I. The state treasurer shall establish an education trust fund in the treasury. Moneys in such fund shall not be used for any purpose other than to distribute adequate education grants to municipalities' school districts pursuant to RSA 198:42; to distribute grants to municipalities' school districts and to approved chartered public schools pursuant to RSA 194-B:11; to distribute public school infrastructure grants to municipalities, school districts, and approved chartered public schools pursuant to RSA 198:15-y; to distribute kindergarten grants to municipalities and school districts pursuant to RSA 198:48-C; to provide low and moderate income homeowners property tax relief under RSA 198:56-198:61; to distribute school building aid to school districts pursuant to RSA 198:15-b; to distribute tuition and transportation funds to school districts for students attending career and technical education programs pursuant to RSA 188-E:9; to distribute funds to scholarship organizations approved under RSA 77:G that administer and implement the education freedom accounts program pursuant to RSA 194-F; to distribute phase out grants to municipalities' school districts pursuant to RSA 194-F; to distribute grants for leased space to approved charter schools pursuant to RSA 198:15-hh; to distribute special education aid to school districts pursuant to RSA 186-C:18; and to fund department of education operating costs for a state student data collection and reporting system. The state treasurer shall deposit into this fund immediately upon receipt:

Senate Executive Departments and Administration

April 19, 2023

2023-1436s

10/05

Amendment to HB 461-FN

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

AN ACT establishing a committee to study elimination by political subdivision employers of a retirement system position.

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

1 Committee Established. There is established a committee to study elimination by political subdivision employers of a retirement system position.

2 Membership and Compensation.

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

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

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

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

3 Duties. The committee shall study the elimination by political subdivision employers under RSA 100-A of a retirement system eligible employment position.

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

5 Report. The committee shall report its findings and any recommendations for proposed legislation to the president of the senate, the speaker of the house of representatives, the senate clerk, the house clerk, the governor, and the state library on or before November 1, 2023.

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

2023-1436s

AMENDED ANALYSIS

This bill establishes a committee to study elimination by political subdivision employers of a retirement system position.

Senate Education

April 25, 2023

2023-1498s

02/05

Amendment to HB 492-FN

Amend the bill by replacing section 1 with the following:

1 New Paragraph; Duties of the Commissioner; Department of Education; Current Rules and Statutes. Amend RSA 21-N:4 by inserting after paragraph XI the following new paragraph:

XII. At the beginning of each session of the biennium, at the request of the committee chair, providing a physical copy of, a copy on a portable data storage device of, or a searchable Internet database to the New Hampshire education laws annotated and education department rules to the house and senate standing education committees that oversee education policy, and to make such copy available to all superintendents of New Hampshire schools in any format as practicable.

Health and Human Services

April 26, 2023

2023-1541s

06/07

Amendment to HB 500

Amend the bill by inserting after section 1 the following and renumbering the original sections 2 - 6 to read as 3 - 7, respectively:

2 Telemedicine; Consent. Amend RSA 329:1-d, V(b) and (c) to read as follows:

(b) Maintain a medical record; [~~and~~]

(c) Subject to the patient's consent, forward the medical record to the patient's primary care or treating provider, if appropriate; **and**

(d) Obtain oral or written consent from the patient or, if the patient is a minor, from the patient's parent or guardian unless state or federal law allows a minor to consent to treatment without the consent of a parent or guardian, for the provision of services through telemedicine. For services delivered through telemedicine on an ongoing basis, the practitioner need obtain consent from the patient or parent or guardian only once.

Amend RSA 326-B:2, XII(c) as inserted by section 4 of the bill by replacing it with the following:

(c) [It shall be unlawful for any person to prescribe by means of telemedicine a controlled drug classified in schedule II through IV except for use in substance use disorder treatment.] ***An APRN licensed under this chapter may prescribe non-opioid and opioid controlled drugs classified in schedule II through IV by means of telemedicine after establishing an advanced practice registered nurse-patient relationship with the patient. When prescribing a non-opioid or opioid controlled drug classified in schedule II through IV by means of telemedicine a subsequent in-person exam shall be conducted by a practitioner licensed to prescribe the drug at intervals appropriate for the patient, medical condition, and drug, but not less than annually. The prescription authority under this paragraph shall be limited to an APRN licensed under this chapter, and all prescribing shall be in compliance with all federal and state laws and regulations. An APRN licensed under this chapter shall obtain oral or written consent from the patient or, if the patient is a minor, from the patient's parent or guardian unless state or federal law allows a minor to consent to treatment without the consent of a parent or guardian, for the provision of services through telemedicine. For services delivered through telemedicine on an ongoing basis, the practitioner need obtain consent from the patient or parent or guardian only once.***

2023-1541s

AMENDED ANALYSIS

This bill:

I. Modifies the procedure for physicians, physician assistants and APRN's to prescribe certain non-opioid and opioid controlled drugs by means of telemedicine.

II. Clarifies the consent required to provide telemedicine services to a minor.

Senate Education

April 18, 2023

2023-1419s

10/05

Amendment to HB 536

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

AN ACT relative to the chartered public school joint legislative oversight committee, and relative to chartered public school use of unused district facilities.

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

3 Chartered Public School Use of Unused District Facilities; Independent Appraisals. Amend RSA 194:61, III(d) to read as follows:

(d) If the offering school district has not received an offer to purchase or lease an unused facility from a party, other than an approved chartered public school operating in this state, a chartered public school may initiate, and the school board of the offering school district shall, ***within 60 days of receiving the offer***, engage in, ***substantive*** good faith negotiations for the purchase or lease of the unused facility. ***The negotiation period shall continue for 30 days, or less if an agreement is reached. If no agreement is reached, the commissioner of the department of education shall engage an independent mediator who shall gather independent appraisals of the value of the property when the chartered public school made an offer to purchase. The appraised value shall determine a fair market price for the offering chartered public school to agree to or reject. In situations when the charter school made an offer to lease the property, the appraisals gathered by the mediator shall determine a fair market lease price for the offering chartered public school to accept or reject.***

2023-1419s

AMENDED ANALYSIS

This bill revises the structure and duties of the chartered public school joint legislative oversight committee. The bill also requires the commissioner of education to engage an independent mediator for appraisals of unused school district property a chartered public school has made an offer to purchase or lease.

Senate Finance
 April 19, 2023
 2023-1433s
 10/

Amendment to HB 555-FN-A

Amend the bill by replacing section 1 with the following:

1 Revenue Stabilization Reserve Account; Transfer of Surplus Funds. Amend RSA 9:13-e, II to read as follows:

II. There is hereby established within the general fund general ledger a revenue stabilization reserve account. At the close of the fiscal biennium ending June 30, 2001, and at the close of each fiscal biennium thereafter, except as otherwise provided in law, any surplus, as determined by the official audit performed pursuant to RSA 21-I:8, II(a) shall be transferred by the comptroller ***first, as provided in paragraph II-a, and then the remainder*** to a special nonlapsing revenue stabilization reserve account. The comptroller is hereby directed to establish the revenue stabilization reserve account in which to deposit any money received from a general fund operating budget surplus. The state treasurer shall invest funds in this account as authorized by RSA 6:8. The interest so earned shall be deposited as unrestricted general fund revenue.

II-a. Twenty-five percent of the biennial surplus, as determined in the official audit under paragraph II shall be paid to the board of trustees of the New Hampshire retirement system and dedicated to the reduction in the retirement system's unfunded accrued liability determined under RSA 100-A:16, II. This paragraph shall only be effective when:

(a) The balance in the revenue stabilization reserve account is equal to or in excess of an amount equal to 10 percent of the actual general fund unrestricted revenues for the most recently completed fiscal biennium; and

(b) The retirement system reports continuing unfunded accrued liability.

Amend the bill by replacing section 3 with the following:

3 Effective Date. This act shall take effect July 1, 2025.

2023-1433s

AMENDED ANALYSIS

This bill requires the transfer of 25 percent of a state biennial surplus to the reduction in the retirement system's unfunded accrued liability.

Health and Human Services
 April 26, 2023
 2023-1533s
 07/10

Amendment to HB 642-FN

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

AN ACT relative to budget flexibility for services for the developmentally disabled.

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

1 New Section; Services for the Developmentally Disabled; Budget Flexibility. Amend RSA 171-A by inserting after section 1-d the following new section:

171-A:1-e Budget Flexibility.

I. For persons with approved budgets older than 24 months who require additional funds to carry out the services required in their individual service agreement, due to additional expenditures, such as cost-of-living or other wage and compensation increases, area agencies and authorized agencies may seek additional funds from the department for such funding needs. The department shall allocate existing budget appropriations as set forth in RSA 171-A:8-b as required to meet such funding needs, provided the requested expenditures would promote efficiency, economy, and quality of care pursuant to section 1902(a)(30)(A) of the Social Security Act.

II. The department shall record and track all requests for funding under this section including, but not limited to, the amount of each request, the reason for the request, whether the request was approved and, if denied, the reason for denial. Upon approval of a funding request, area agencies and authorized agencies shall record, and provide the department with, details of the expenditure of such funds, including, but not limited to, the amount of additional funds that are paid to direct support providers, and all details of how the funding is allocated to the person's services and service providers.

2 Prospective Repeal. RSA 171-A:1-e, relative to budget flexibility for services for the developmentally disabled, is repealed.

3 Contingency; Effective Date of Repeal. Section 2 of this act shall become effective on the date the commissioner of the department of health and human services, after consultation with the joint legislative oversight committee on health and human services established in RSA 126-A:13, certifies the full implementation of the developmental services rate redesign to the director of legislative services and the secretary of state, provided that section 2 shall take effect not later than July 1, 2025.

4 Effective Date.

I. Section 2 of this act shall take effect as provided in section 3 of this act.

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

2023-1533s

AMENDED ANALYSIS

This bill grants the department of health and human services flexibility to use existing budget appropriations to cover service cost increases under certain circumstances for services for the developmentally disabled.

HEARINGS

All Standing Committee hearings will be live streamed on the NH Senate's YouTube channel:

<https://www.youtube.com/NewHampshireSenatelivestream>

Links are also available on the Senate Meeting Schedule.



MONDAY, MAY 8, 2023

FINANCE, Room 103, SH

Sen. Gray (C), Sen. Innis (VC), Sen. Bradley, Sen. Birdsell, Sen. Pearl, Sen. D'Allesandro, Sen. Rosenwald

1:00 p.m.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Tentative List of Agencies:

Department of State

Police Standards and Training Council

Office of the Child Advocate

Judicial Branch

Department of Justice

Human Rights Commission

Department of Energy

Liquor Commission

Department of Corrections

Please Note: The agency listing is subject to change without notice.

TUESDAY, MAY 9, 2023

EDUCATION, Room 101, LOB

Sen. Ward (C), Sen. Gendreau (VC), Sen. Lang, Sen. Prentiss, Sen. Fenton

10:00 a.m. **EXECUTIVE SESSION ON PENDING LEGISLATION**

ENERGY AND NATURAL RESOURCES, Room 103, SH

Sen. Avard (C), Sen. Pearl (VC), Sen. Birdsell, Sen. Watters, Sen. Altschiller

9:00 a.m. **HB 281**, relative to least cost integrated resource plan of utilities.

9:15 a.m. **HB 139**, relative to the definition of “municipal host” for purposes of limited electrical energy producers.

9:30 a.m. Hearing on proposed Amendment #1657s, relative to least cost integrated resource plan of utilities; municipal hosts for purposes of limited electrical energy producers; the cost of compliance with disclosure of electric renewable portfolio standards; repealing the energy efficiency and sustainable energy board; and procedures for energy facility siting by the site evaluation committee., to HB 281, relative to least cost integrated resource plan of utilities.

EXECUTIVE SESSION ON PENDING LEGISLATION

FINANCE, Room 103, SH

Sen. Gray (C), Sen. Innis (VC), Sen. Bradley, Sen. Birdsell, Sen. Pearl, Sen. D’Allesandro, Sen. Rosenwald

1:00 p.m. **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Tentative List of Agencies:

Site Evaluation Committee

Department of Information Technology

Board of Tax and Land Appeals

Fish and Game Department

University System of New Hampshire

Community College System of New Hampshire

Please Note: The agency listing is subject to change without notice.

JUDICIARY, Room 100, SH

Sen. Carson (C), Sen. Gannon (VC), Sen. Abbas, Sen. Whitley, Sen. Chandley

1:00 p.m. **EXECUTIVE SESSION ON PENDING LEGISLATION**

TRANSPORTATION, Room 101, LOB

Sen. Ricciardi (C), Sen. Watters (VC), Sen. Ward, Sen. Gendreau, Sen. Fenton

1:00 p.m. **EXECUTIVE SESSION ON PENDING LEGISLATION**

WEDNESDAY, MAY 10, 2023

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENTS AND ADMINISTRATION, Room 103, SH

Sen. Pearl (C), Sen. Carson (VC), Sen. Gendreau, Sen. Perkins Kwoka, Sen. Altschiller

9:00 a.m. Hearing on proposed Amendment #1499s, relative to the licensure and regulation of music therapists and relative to the organization of the office of professional licensure and certification., to HB 532-FN, relative to the licensure and regulation of music therapists.

9:15 a.m. Hearing on proposed Amendment #1660s, relative to the licensure and regulation of music therapists and other occupations and professions., to HB 532-FN, relative to the licensure and regulation of music therapists.

EXECUTIVE SESSION MAY FOLLOW

HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES, Room 101, LOB

Sen. Birdsell (C), Sen. Avard (VC), Sen. Bradley, Sen. Whitley, Sen. Prentiss

10:00 a.m.

EXECUTIVE SESSION ON PENDING LEGISLATION**WAYS AND MEANS**, Room 100, SH

Sen. Lang (C), Sen. D'Allesandro (VC), Sen. Murphy, Sen. Innis, Sen. Rosenwald

9:00 a.m.

COMMITTEE REVENUE ESTIMATES**EXECUTIVE SESSION MAY FOLLOW*****FRIDAY, MAY 12, 2023*****FINANCE**, Room 103, SH

Sen. Gray (C), Sen. Innis (VC), Sen. Bradley, Sen. Birdsell, Sen. Pearl, Sen. D'Allesandro, Sen. Rosenwald

10:00 a.m.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Tentative List of Agencies:

Treasury Department

New Hampshire Retirement System (HB 1-A)

Department of Revenue Administration (HB 1-A)

Department of Natural and Cultural Resources

Department of Health and Human Services: New Hampshire Hospital and Glenclyff Home

Please Note: The agency listing is subject to change without notice.***TUESDAY, MAY 16, 2023*****COMMERCE**, Room 100, SH

Sen. Gannon (C), Sen. Ricciardi (VC), Sen. Innis, Sen. Soucy, Sen. Chandley

11:30 a.m.

EXECUTIVE SESSION ON PENDING LEGISLATION**MEETINGS*****FRIDAY, MAY 5, 2023*****LONG-TERM SEACOAST COMMISSION ON DRINKING WATER (RSA 485-F:6)**

2:00 p.m.

NH DES Portsmouth Regional Office

Regular Meeting

Pease International Tradeport

Suite 175, Room A

222 International Drive

Portsmouth, NH 03801

MONDAY, MAY 8, 2023**ADVISORY COUNCIL ON CAREER AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION (RSA 188-E:10-b)**

9:00 a.m.

Walker Building, Room 100

Regular Meeting

21 South Fruit Street

Concord, NH

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

9:00 a.m.

Conservation Center, French Wing

Regular Meeting

Williams Room

54 Portsmouth Street

Concord, NH

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

10:00 a.m. Rooms 205-207, LOB Regular Meeting

COMMITTEE TO STUDY NEW HAMPSHIRE TEACHER SHORTAGES AND RECRUITMENT INCENTIVES (SB 236, Chapter 150:1, Laws of 2022)

1:00 p.m. Room 101, LOB Regular Meeting

NEW HAMPSHIRE OPIOID ABATEMENT ADVISORY COMMISSION (RSA 126-A:85)

1:00 p.m. Executive Council Chamber Regular Meeting
 Room 207, SH
 107 North Main Street
 Concord, NH
 Zoom Meeting
 ID: 842 1660 9258
 Passcode: 059588

TUESDAY, MAY 9, 2023**NEW HAMPSHIRE DRUG OVERDOSE FATALITY REVIEW COMMISSION (RSA 126-DD:1)**

4:00 p.m. Rooms 206-208, LOB Regular Meeting

FRIDAY, MAY 12, 2023**COMMISSION TO INVESTIGATE THE IMPLEMENTATION OF NEXT GENERATION NUCLEAR REACTOR TECHNOLOGY IN NEW HAMPSHIRE (RSA 125-O:30)**

9:00 a.m. NH DES, Room 208C Regular Meeting
 29 Hazen Drive
 Concord, NH 03301
 Zoom link for guests and members of the public:
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82763227873>

STATEWIDE INTEROPERABILITY EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE (SIEC) (RSA 21-P:48, IV)

9:00 a.m. Derry Municipal Center Regular Meeting
 3rd Floor Meeting Room
 14 Manning Street
 Derry, NH

COMMISSION TO STUDY THE INCIDENCE OF POST-TRAUMATIC STRESS DISORDER IN FIRST RESPONDERS (RSA 281-A:17-e)

10:00 a.m. NH Fire Academy, Classroom 2 Regular Meeting
 98 Smokey Bear Boulevard
 Concord, NH 03301

COMMISSION ON THE ENVIRONMENTAL AND PUBLIC HEALTH IMPACTS OF PERFLUORINATED CHEMICALS (RSA 126-A:79-a)

1:00 p.m. Regular Meeting
<https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/6874519861424453720>
 After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the webinar.
 You also may join the meeting by phone:
 Call in Number: 1 (562) 247-8321
 Access Code: 206-906-599
 Webinar ID: 860-653-691
 The following email address will be monitored throughout the meeting by someone who can assist with and alert the committee to any technical issues: Amy.E.Rousseau@des.nh.gov. You may also call Amy Rousseau at 603-848-1372.

MONDAY, MAY 15, 2023

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

9:00 a.m. NH Veterans Home, Town Hall Regular Meeting
 139 Winter Street
 Tilton, NH

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

10:00 a.m. NH DES Rooms 110-114 Regular Meeting
 29 Hazen Drive
 Concord, NH

FRIDAY, MAY 19, 2023

ADMINISTRATIVE RULES (RSA 541-A:2)

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

NEW HAMPSHIRE TRANSPORTATION COUNCIL (RSA 238-A:2)

9:00 a.m. NH DOT, Rooms 112-113 Regular Meeting
 7 Hazen Drive
 Concord, NH

Join from a PC, Mac, iPad, iPhone or Android device:

Please click this URL to join.

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OVERSIGHT COMMISSION ON CHILDREN'S SERVICES (RSA 21-V:10)

9:00 a.m. Room 100, SH Regular Meeting

FISCAL COMMITTEE (RSA 14:30-a)

10:00 a.m. Rooms 210-211, LOB Regular Meeting

The You Tube link to view the meeting livestream is; <https://youtube.com/live/F2d1GZIROII>

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

1:00 p.m. Rooms 205-207, LOB Regular Meeting

FRIDAY, MAY 26, 2023

CAPITAL BUDGET OVERVIEW COMMITTEE (RSA 17-J:2)

9:00 a.m. Rooms 201-203, LOB Regular Meeting

The You Tube link to view the meeting livestream is:

<https://youtube.com/live/-wg2w6KgXJI>

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

9:30 a.m. Rooms 201-203, LOB Regular Meeting

The You Tube link to view the meeting livestream is:

<https://youtube.com/live/bxBicKdXfWY>

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

3:15 p.m. Hilton Garden Room at Portsmouth Regular Meeting
 Public Library
 175 Parrott Avenue
 Portsmouth, NH 03801
<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/86117818803?pwd=cWRXdIgwQnQvc2ZRbkNOBhGhGc3M0dz09>

FRIDAY, JUNE 2, 2023**COMMISSION TO STUDY THE USE OF OHRVS IN NEW HAMPSHIRE (RSA 215-A:44-a)**

10:00 a.m. DNCR Regional Office Conference Room Regular Meeting
 629B Main Street
 Lancaster, NH
 Join on your computer, mobile app or room device
 Meeting ID: 299 875 136 31
 Passcode: MBfHpW
 Or call in (audio only)
 +1 603-931-4944,,256858399#

MONDAY, JUNE 5, 2023**NEW HAMPSHIRE PRESCRIPTION DRUG AFFORDABILITY BOARD (RSA 126-BB:2)**

10:00 a.m. Brown Building Auditorium Regular Meeting
 129 Pleasant Street
 Concord, NH 03301

EDUCATION FREEDOM SAVINGS ACCOUNT OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE (RSA 194-F:12)

2:00 p.m. Room 100, SH Regular Meeting

TUESDAY, JUNE 6, 2023**COMMISSION ON HOLOCAUST AND GENOCIDE EDUCATION (RSA 193-E:2-f)**

4:00 p.m. 21 South Fruit Street, Room 100 Regular Meeting
 Concord, NH 03301

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

5:00 p.m. Edward Cross Training Center Facility Regular Meeting
 722 Riverwood Drive
 Pembroke, NH

FRIDAY, JUNE 16, 2023**ADMINISTRATIVE RULES (RSA 541-A:2)**

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

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 2023 BILLS:

SENATE BILLS: 1, 32, 34, 36, 38, 39, 44, 49, 51, 52, 53, 54, 55, 56, 57, 61, 68, 69, 70, 72, 73, 74, 75, 76, 78, 80, 85, 87, 92, 97, 98, 104, 105, 106, 108, 112, 113, 115, 120, 122, 123, 126, 127, 128, 129, 130, 132, 133, 134, 137, 145, 149, 151, 152, 153, 154, 156, 157, 159, 160, 164, 166, 167, 169, 170, 173, 180, 186, 187, 188, 189, 191, 192, 195, 197, 203, 204, 205, 210, 211, 212, 215, 218, 228, 229, 230, 231, 232, 233, 234, 235, 238, 239, 241, 244, 248, 249, 255, 256, 257, 259, 260, 261, 263, 264, 265, 267, 272

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ENROLLED BILL AMENDMENTS ARE AVAILABLE IN THE SENATE CLERK'S OFFICE FOR 2023 BILLS:

HOUSE BILLS: 49, 109

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HOUSE BILLS AMENDED BY THE SENATE

HOUSE BILLS: 72, 83, 111, 137, 152, 233, 268, 296, 407, 520, 550, 613

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NOTICES

MONDAY, MAY 1, 2023 THROUGH FRIDAY, MAY 5, 2023

All legislators and staff are cordially invited to attend NH Energy Week, hosted this year by Clean Energy NH, May 1st – May 5th. A full schedule of events put on by a number of partner organizations and sponsors highlight prominent energy topics and issues, provide a forum to discuss solutions, and bring leading experts together to share knowledge can be found at <https://nhenergyfuture.org/nhew>.

Senator Sharon M. Carson, Senate Majority Leader
 Senator Donna M. Soucy, Senate Democratic Leader
 Senator Kevin Avard
 Senator David H. Watters

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FRIDAY, MAY 5, 2023

The NH Campaign for Legal Services invites legislators to join them for the 2023 Campaign Kick-off Breakfast on Friday, May 5th, at the DoubleTree by Hilton, 700 Elm Street, Manchester. Doors open at 7:30 AM, program starts at 8:15. The NH Campaign for Legal Services brings together business, legal and philanthropic communities to prevent homelessness, poverty and abuse in New Hampshire by increasing access to justice for people in need. Join us as we present Elliott Berry with a Justice Award for his 47 years of dedicated service to NH Legal Assistance. Please reserve your spot by calling or emailing Dawn McKinney 603.206.2228 dmckinney@nhla.org

Senator Jeb Bradley, Senate President
 Senator Donna M. Soucy, Democratic Leader

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WEDNESDAY, MAY 10, 2023

Valuable lifesaving skills training will be held in the State House Cafeteria on Wednesday, May 10th between 11:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. Instruction on Hands only CPR, using an AED, and Stop the Bleed will be provided by NH EMS professionals. All Members and staff are welcome to attend. These are brief instructional demonstrations, and no RSVP is required. Any questions should be directed to Nurse Michele Flanagan at 603.271.2757.

Senator Suzanne M. Prentiss

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THURSDAY, JUNE 1, 2023

The Associated Builders and Contractors NH/VT are pleased to invite all legislators and staff to join us for lunch on Thursday, June 1st from 11:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m. in the State House Cafeteria. The lunch will be an opportunity to learn how ABC NH/VT is working to address our industry's workforce shortage through the work and outreach of I Build NH and I Build VT. The goal is to connect the construction industry with educators and community partners to help develop the current and future workforce pipeline. Our members will be available to share their experiences.

Senator Sharon M. Carson, Senate Majority Leader
 Senator Donna M. Soucy, Senate Democratic Leader

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THURSDAY, JUNE 8, 2023

The NH Oral Health Coalition's 2023 Legislative Breakfast is live at St. Paul's Church, Ordway Hall. We invite all legislators to join us for, "Many Hands for NH Smiles," on Thursday, June 8th from 7:30 a.m. to 9:00 a.m. A HOT breakfast will be served. Your local community oral health providers will be there with displays and information. RSVP to: jnicholson@nhoralhealth.org or call the Breakfast Hotline 603-415-5550.

Senator Cindy Rosenwald
 Senator William M. Gannon

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THURSDAY, JUNE 8, 2023

The New Hampshire Association of REALTORS cordially invites all legislators and staff to a luncheon to be held on the State House lawn on Thursday, June 8th from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Enjoy lunch and meet REALTORS from across the state as we support homeownership for all and the protection of private property rights.

Senator Jeb Bradley, Senate President
 Senator Donna M. Soucy, Democratic Leader

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MONDAY, JUNE 26, 2023

The Legislative Golf Charity Classic will be held on Monday, June 26th with a shotgun start at 8:30 a.m. at the Loudon Country Club, 653 NH-106, Loudon. All proceeds will benefit Liberty House. For foursomes of sponsorship information please see Representative Jim Maggiore or Representative Michael Moffett or Senator Tim Lang.

Senator Timothy Lang

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SENATE SCHEDULE

Thursday, May 18, 2023	Deadline for Policy Committees to ACT on all House bills with a fiscal impact, except bills exempted pursuant to Senate Rule 4-5.
Monday, May 29, 2023	Memorial Day (State Holiday)
Thursday, June 08, 2023	Deadline to ACT on all House bills.
Thursday, June 15, 2023	Deadline to FORM Committees of Conference.
Thursday, June 22, 2023	Deadline to SIGN Committee of Conference Reports.
Thursday, June 29, 2023	Deadline to ACT on Committee of Conference Reports.
Tuesday, July 04, 2023	Independence Day (State Holiday)
Monday, September 04, 2023	Labor Day (State Holiday)
Friday, November 10, 2023	Veterans' Day (Observed) (State Holiday)
Thursday, November 23, 2023	Thanksgiving Day (State Holiday)
Friday, November 24, 2023	Day after Thanksgiving (State Holiday)
Monday, December 25, 2023	Christmas Day (State Holiday)