

Amendment to SB 502-FN

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

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3 AN ACT removing references to the department of business and economic affairs and the  
4 office of planning and development, and makes various changes to how certain  
5 committees and commissions participate or operate.

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7 Amend the bill by replacing all after section 13 with the following:

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9 14 New Paragraph; New Hampshire Retirement System; Independent Investment Committee.  
10 Amend RSA 100-A:14-b by inserting after paragraph III the following new paragraph:

11 IV. Notwithstanding RSA 91-A or any other provision of law to the contrary, independent  
12 investment committee members shall be permitted to participate in meetings by telephone, video  
13 conference, or other electronic means, provided that any independent investment committee member  
14 so participating shall be able to be heard by and to hear every other member of the committee  
15 participating in the meeting and, unless the committee is meeting in a nonpublic session as  
16 permitted by RSA 91-A:3, shall be able to be heard by all members of the public attending the  
17 meeting. Voting members of the independent investment committee participating electronically  
18 shall be treated as present at the meeting for all purposes, including the establishment of a quorum.  
19 Any meeting at which one or more committee members are participating electronically shall be  
20 recorded verbatim by magnetic tape or otherwise, and such recording shall be made available for  
21 public inspection to the same extent as minutes of the meeting, provided that the accidental  
22 destruction of a recording or the accidental failure to record any meeting shall not invalidate any  
23 action taken at that meeting.

24 15 New Paragraph; New Hampshire Health Care Workplace Safety Commission; Duties.  
25 Amend RSA 151-J:2 by inserting after paragraph II the following new paragraph:

26 III. Notwithstanding RSA 91-A or any other law to the contrary, commission members shall  
27 be permitted to participate in meetings by video or telephone, provided that any member so  
28 participating shall be able to be heard by and to hear every other member of the commission  
29 participating in the meeting. Voting members participating by video or telephone shall be treated as  
30 present at the meeting for all purposes, including the establishment of a quorum.

31 16 New Paragraph; Department of Labor; Labor Commissioner; Penalty Appeal Board. Amend  
32 RSA 273:11-b by inserting after paragraph V the following new paragraph:

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1           VI. The penalty appeal board shall be an administratively attached agency under RSA 21-  
2 G:10, to the department of labor, but shall operate independently from the department. The  
3 commissioner shall hire and appoint an administrator for the board from department of labor staff,  
4 who shall serve at the pleasure of the commissioner. The administrator shall perform all the  
5 administrative duties of the board, including but not limited to, scheduling the docket, record  
6 keeping, providing liaison between the public and board members, conducting board meetings, and  
7 assigning committees to address regulatory, legislative and policy issues.

8           17 Safety and Health of Employees; Generally; Elevator Law. Amend RSA 277:1-a to read as  
9 follows:

10           277:1-a Elevator Law. The provisions of ***RSA 157-A and*** RSA 157-B also apply to all places  
11 covered by RSA 277:1.

12           18 Repeals. The following are repealed:

13           I. RSA 187-A:31, relative to the innovation research center grant program.

14           II. RSA 187-A:33-b, relative to fees collected by the innovation research center.

15           19 Effective Date. This act shall take effect 60 days after its passage.

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AMENDED ANALYSIS

This bill removes references to the department of business and economic affairs and the office of planning and development, and makes various changes to how certain committees and commissions participate or operate.