

Senate Education Committee

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HB 653-FN, establishing a pilot program within the department of education to implement alternatives to restraint and seclusion of students.

Hearing Date: April 1, 2025

Members of the Committee Present: Senators Ward, Sullivan, Abbas, Prentiss and Altschiller

Members of the Committee Absent : None

Bill Analysis: This bill establishes a pilot program within the department of education to implement alternatives to restraint and seclusion of students.

Sponsors:

Rep. Petrigno

Rep. DeSimone

Rep. Gregg

Rep. Grossman

Rep. Levesque

Rep. Nelson

Rep. M. Pearson

Sen. Altschiller

Sen. Long

Sen. McGough

Who supports the bill: Senator Tim McGough, Stephaine Lloyd, Haley Demers, Vernon Hyman, Joline Manseau, Maura McManus, Deborah Robinson, Sayre Moskwa, Sam Hawkins, Suzanne Haldane, Alecia Magnifico, Gabrielle Healey, Jane Smith, Dawn McKinney, Janet Lucas, Laura Sokoloski, Senator Debra Altschiller, Emma Sevigny, Kristen Welch, Loren Selig, Megan Haffner, Liz Anne Platt, Marie Stratton, Dennis Jakubowski, Cassandra Sanchez (Office of the Child Advocate), Lissa Mascio (Office of the Child Advocate), Representative Peter Petrigno, Donnie Dunham, Ben Jones, Emily Lawrence, Karen Rosenburg (Disability Rights Center, New Hampshire).

Who opposes the bill: Janet Robertson, Chase Eagleson, Daniel Richardson, Jane Bergeron-Beaulieu.

Who is neutral on the bill: No one signed in neutrality to House Bill 653-FN.

Summary of testimony presented:

Due to time constraints, the public hearing on House Bill 653-FN was recessed to a later date.

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Date Hearing Report completed: April 4, 2025