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HOUSE JOURNAL NO. 4 (Cont'd)

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Rep. Osborne moved that the House adjourn.
Motion adopted.

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The House assembled at 10:00 a.m., the hour to which it stood adjourned, and was called to order by the Speaker.

Prayer was offered by House Chaplain, Reverend Bob Stewart, Pastor of St. Paul's United Methodist Church in Manchester.

Good afternoon, New Hampshire House of Representatives. Good afternoon Mr. Speaker. Good afternoon God. Let us pause for a moment of silence as we remember our friend a colleague, Representative Sharon Nordgren, who represented Hanover, New Hampshire for the last 18 terms. God of us all, your love never ends. When all else fail, you still are God. We know that Sharon is at peace and has taken her place that has been prepared for her. Help all who mourn to also find your peace this day. O compassionate God there is so much hate in this world. We see the hate through threatening letters sent through the mail. We see hate when people use a weapon to kill or to cause injury to others. We see hate when others harm others when everyone is celebrating a victory. We pray for the people in Kansas City. O God, often we hear and see so much hate in this world that we begin to live in fear, and we begin to lose hope. We know God that you are our refuge and our strength, always ready to help in times of trouble...Psalm 46:1. Give us the strength to not lose hope and to use our ability to change things in this world, in our nation and in our great state of New Hampshire. Through this legislative body we can make changes that can be positive and beneficial to the people we represent and the areas in which we serve. God give us your refuge and strength to make wise decisions. Help us to be your conduit in this world of hate so that through each of us we can share your love to everyone we meet...one person at a time. O God of love and compassion...I ask once again to be with all the Representatives and Leaders that are gathered here today. Bless them O God. Help them in their decision making and help them to feel that you are their refuge and their strength as they conduct their business today. I pray for your peace and love to come upon them this day and every day. O God, we give you the glory and praise for you are our refuge and our strength. Amen.

Representative Skip Rollins, member from Newport, led the Pledge of Allegiance.

The National Anthem was sung by Shealyn Sarcia, a senior student at Merrimack High School.

LEAVES OF ABSENCE

Reps. Piemonte, Geoffrey Smith and Treleaven, the day, illness.

Reps. Cole, Foote, Kenny, Milz, Nutting, Smart, Trottier and Vincent, the day, important business.

Reps. McBeath and Sanborn, the day, illness in the family.

INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS

Tierney and Charles Sarcia, parents of the singer, guests of Rep. McGough. Charlie Post, husband of Rep. Post. Sam Coes, son of Rep. Baldwin. Alexis Eaton, guest of Rep. Heath Howard.

COMMUNICATION

Via email
February 9, 2024

To: Paul Smith

I wish to resign my State House seat.

Thank you,
Dan Hynes

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 33**Memorializing Sharon L. Nordgren of Hanover**

WHEREAS, we have learned with profound sorrow of the death of our friend and colleague Sharon L. Nordgren, who was serving her eighteenth term as a State Representative representing the citizens of Grafton County District 12, the towns of Hanover and Lyme; and

WHEREAS, Sharon Nordgren served in House leadership numerous times, including six years as the Deputy Democratic Leader, and beyond her service to the House of Representatives, Sharon Nordgren served her beloved town of Hanover on the select board for nine years, six as its chair; and

WHEREAS, Sharon Nordgren served on the Finance Committee and its precursor Appropriations 13 times, including as a division chair and vice chair of the committee and was widely regarded as an expert on health and human services in the committee; and

WHEREAS, a lover of travel, Sharon Nordgren relished being out and about, learning new things about where she was visiting and the people she was meeting, and recently visited England with her whole family, visiting Stonehenge and speaking glowingly of the locale and the company; and

WHEREAS, above all, Sharon Nordgren was a devoted wife, mother, and grandmother, and among her greatest joys was being an equestrian's mom; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, by the House of Representatives in Regular Session convened, Sharon L. Nordgren be granted the highest praise and accolades and our profound thanks for her service to her state, and the town she adopted as home for many years, and, be it further

RESOLVED, that expressions of our most heartfelt sympathy be extended to her family and that a suitable copy of this Resolution be prepared for presentation to them.

Offered by the House of Representatives

Adopted unanimously.

MOMENT OF SILENCE

A moment of silence was observed in honor and in memory of the member from Hanover, the Honorable Sharon Nordgren.

RESOLUTION

Reps. Osborne and Welhelm offered the following: RESOLVED, that the House of Representatives notify the Honorable Senate that it is ready to meet in Joint Convention for the purpose of hearing the State of the State Address by his Excellency, Governor Christopher T. Sununu.

Motion was adopted.

SENATE MESSAGE

The Senate is ready to meet with the honorable House of Representatives in Joint Convention for the purpose of hearing the State of the State Address by his Excellency, Governor Christopher T. Sununu.

The Clerk introduced and the Sergeant-at-Arms escorted the Honorable Senate and Senate President, Jeb Bradley of Wolfeboro.

JOINT CONVENTION**(Speaker Packard presiding)****INTRODUCTION AND SEATING OF SPECIAL GUESTS**

The Clerk introduced and the Sergeant-at-Arms escorted the following: State Treasurer, Monica Mezzapelle. Secretary of State, David M. Scanlan. Associate Justices of the Supreme Court, Anna Barbara Hantz Marconi, Patrick E. Donovan, and Melissa Countway. Senior Associate Justice of the Supreme Court, James P. Bassett. Chief Justice of the Supreme Court, Gordon J. MacDonald. Executive Councilors, Janet Stevens, and Cinde Warmington.

The Clerk introduced Governor Christopher T. Sununu.

Governor Sununu presented his State of the State Address to the Joint Convention.

STATE OF THE STATE ADDRESS

Good Afternoon. Thank you! Mister Speaker, Mister Senate President, Honorable members of the House and Senate, the Executive Council, Commissioners, and of course, members of the Supreme Court, and to our fellow citizens joining us today in the crowd or at home. Welcome! I was reminded earlier this week that this is my final State of the State Address. Although the filing period to run again isn't until June, so you never know. Just kidding. As they say, 'Eight is Enough.' And in that spirit, I'll be brief! Now as always, I enjoy taking the opportunity of this address to be proud of the many accomplishments that our state, its citizens and communities have delivered. Today you will hear the many proud data points and rankings we've achieved. But through all those accolades, let us not forget that while immense progress has been made in areas like mental health, education or the opioid pandemic, we mustn't be blind to the many families and citizens of our great state still waiting for services, or struggling to make ends meet. Let us not forget that one of our fellow state employees went to work in November, but never got to go home to his family because he gave his life protecting those around him at New Hampshire Hospital. Chief Bradley Haas was a true hero. We will never forget him, and we will never stop being grateful for his bravery. Our pats on the back today won't bring Bradley back. They also won't bring opportunities to families any faster, but my hope is that it will give them confidence that New Hampshire has the right approach and attention to individuals. We are always willing to go the extra mile to be innovative in providing opportunities for everyone. So, let's start with everyone's favorite topic, politics, he said to a room of politicians. Less than one month ago, the nation once again turned its eyes towards New Hampshire. Just as we have for the last 100 years, we hosted our First in the Nation Presidential Primary. Our place at the front of the nominating calendar is never given. It is always fought for, earned, and won. We take on the responsibility of getting the process right and this year was no exception. Candidates can come here with little money and no name ID and campaign the New Hampshire way by going door to door, town hall to town hall, living room to living room, taking every question, and being accountable to the voters, not party bosses down in Washington. I would also like to extend a debt of gratitude to the work of Secretary of State Dave Scanlan, his team, and countless town and city election officials across this state, many of whom volunteer their time. The primary went off without a hitch and we all thank you! 2023 was a banner year for New Hampshire. We advanced freedom, increased opportunity, grew our economy, and put families first. You may have heard some of these data points before, but in just the last year, New Hampshire was ranked as the number one state for overall freedom, the number one state for economic freedom, the number one state for child wellbeing and we will continue working to ensure we maintain the lowest poverty rate in the nation. And now here are a few rankings that maybe went under the radar. Did you know that our corrections system was ranked number one for the first time ever. Great job Commissioner Hanks. Or, that New Hampshire was the first state in the nation with a nationally approved cyber security plan. Way to be Denis Goulet. Or, that New Hampshire is ranked as the best return on investment for taxpayers. I call that the most efficient government aware. Or here's one. In two separate reports, our workforce is ranked as both the smartest and one of the most productive in the nation. I'd be remiss if I didn't commend Bill Cass and his amazing team at the Department of Transportation. Not just for their plowing this winter, although they've admittedly gotten off kinda easy in that area so far, but for the first time ever a 2023 report has listed New Hampshire with the best roads in America. Great job Bill! It doesn't mean we don't have any potholes, but I suppose ours are more pleasant than most. I could go on and on with these accolades, but we'd be here all day and I can already see the legislature getting anxious. But we cannot take these successes for granted. Continued success is not inevitable; we must constantly challenge ourselves to put individuals before the system, strive to be even better stewards of your taxpayer dollars, and more accountable to the people of this state. Being the best is earned, not given. That is what has guided us these last seven years, and that is what will take us into the future. I still believe with all these great rankings, one of the greatest achievements we had in Concord was the passage of a bipartisan, balanced budget, in an evenly divided legislature on a voice vote. You all did an incredible job with that one and showed Washington that regardless of political divide, a fiscally conservative budget, without gimmicks or empty promises can always be achieved with hard work. There is much to be proud of in that budget. An eighth straight year in New Hampshire with no new taxes, the full elimination of the Interest and Dividends Tax, historic increases in Medicaid rates to help retain health care workforce, an across the board 12% pay increase for our state employees, we cut red tape and simplified our professional licensing process., an additional \$50M to housing development and after decades of inaction, we reconstructed the education funding formula, ensuring efficiency, fairness and adding hundreds of million in funds for our students. New Hampshire leads from the front. We never follow. Every policy victory, economic win, and record-breaking statistic has been the direct result of hard work, fiscal discipline, and sound government stewardship. We should all be proud. This is the New Hampshire success story. Today, New Hampshire is more prosperous than ever before. Our economy was ranked as the fastest growing in the country at 8.1%, the envy of the nation, and the best place in America to live, work, and raise a family. Businesses are moving here in droves, and after years of more people moving out of New Hampshire through 2015, we've had a surge of domestic migration into New Hampshire resulting in more people working than ever before. Nearly 40,000 more people are working in New Hampshire today than when I took office, and our unemployment rate continues to be one of the lowest in the nation. So, if you are out there, and for what-

ever reason you are having trouble finding a job that's right for you and your family, please contact our Department of Employment Security. You know we have a great commissioner over there, George Copadis. Now if you don't know, George is a huge Cowboys fan, which means he lives in perpetual misery, but there's nothing that gets him more excited and lifts his spirits more than helping citizens find their next career, choosing from the over ten thousand available jobs we have right now. So, it's a win-win. Give Commissioner Copadis and his team a call and make that exciting next step. So, with these successes also comes challenges. Businesses can't be successful without the workforce, and there won't be a workforce unless we have the housing. Families and workers are the backbone of a strong, thriving state, and without housing our economic opportunity suffers. Which is why with your support I launched our InvestNH Housing Fund, a first-of-its-kind fund to incentivize the construction of new housing units. The goal is to get permits out and houses up. The initial results are in, and it has been an immediate success. Since launching the program two short years ago, the total number of permits issued for residential construction has doubled what we expected this past year. More permits issued in more than a decade and we are now on track to bring thousands of new units online in 2024. Already, housing developments have been completed in Concord, Conway, Manchester, Lebanon, and Littleton, most all of which are workforce housing. This is the win New Hampshire needed! Thank you. I'd like to take a step back and discuss the landmark strides in these last few years surrounding the opportunities of our kids and education. Remember the days when the balance of our Education Trust Fund was in the negative by about \$52 million? And if the traditional four walls of the classroom didn't work for a student, they were out of luck. Not any more. Next year, the education surplus is expected to reach \$232 million, and families are singing the praises of Concord for finally passing Education Freedom Accounts which are now ranked as the most effective and popular school choice program in America, and why passing HB 1665 to expand this program is a great opportunity for New Hampshire families. Let's get it done! And today, today our public schools are ranked number two in the country. We have incredible schools with amazing teachers, and we now spend more dollars per child on public education than ever before, all factors that allow kids to maximize their potential. We now also have full day kindergarten, Learn Everywhere Program, New Hampshire Career Academies, a first-of-its-kind robotics fund, sparking innovation in the next generation of STEM leaders. I want to take a moment and tell a story from just last week. This year, New Hampshire became the first state to offer a robot in every classroom. The new First Robotics XRP robots are now shipping out and I have no doubt other states will follow. But what's amazing about this program is that we didn't just allocate some money to buy robots and ship them. In partnership with high schools and the Community College System, the students are actually manufacturing the parts of the robot, 3D printing each robot, learning the manufacturing and supply side process, packaging and shipping them to other New Hampshire students to learn how to program and use them. Then we have programs where teachers can come in to participate in classes to learn how to instruct with this amazing technology. It's vertical integration of learning at its finest all designed so even the most novice of users, they say even I could do it, which is saying something, can learn and teach these critical tech skills across New Hampshire. And this all aligns with our new incentive to give bonuses to teachers who chose to also become computer science teachers in our schools. Big thank you to everyone involved in that innovative program. Yet again, a one of a kind in The United States. One more aspect of education I'd like to touch upon. Earlier this year I created a special task force to look at a new 21st century model of post-secondary education. Asking the Community Colleges and the University System to really consider where the model for those opportunities is headed. It is changing drastically, and we need to stay ahead of it before it becomes a crisis. The University of New Hampshire is losing a great president in James Dean, and I want to thank him for his years of service to New Hampshire. He was terrific. And overall, our system's yield top notch students, but if we are not careful, the world will pass us by, and declining enrollments will become the norm. We can't let this happen. Stay vigilant and I think we are all looking forward to what recommendations that task force can bring us to keep New Hampshire competitive. And while I'm on the subject, we don't often recognize the great work of one of New Hampshire's great institutions, Dartmouth College. Let's take a step back. We have all seen across the country the growing hateful and antisemitic rhetoric on some of America's college campuses. And frankly I personally think the actions of many of the Ivy League schools in America as it pertains to this crisis has been terrible. I've even called for some of those presidents to resign. But I want to applaud the efforts of President Sian Beilock at Dartmouth. In just her first year, she has really set Dartmouth apart and led as an example of ensuring free speech and respect on her campus. And guess what, she used this situation to bring students together in an educational forum to learn about this issue and those students have responded in kind. The rest of the Ivy League schools are looking at Dartmouth as the example to follow and I want to thank her and her team for representing New Hampshire so well. When I got elected, I said mental health was the unspoken crisis of our time. It was ignored and the system was fractured. But with new funding, revamped programs, and an emphasis on prioritizing people over bureaucracy, we have turned the tide. We are finally giving families a sense that in their toughest times, there is a system that is focused on better solutions. Thousands of New Hampshire families today are struggling with mental health issues in a variety of forms. So why is there good cause for hope? Just a few years ago we challenged ourselves with a bold 10-year mental health plan and this legislature has been aggressive in taking on all those recommendations. We kept that momentum going and last summer

the Department of Health and Human Services launched “Mission Zero,” building on years of progress with the goal of eliminating emergency department boarding once and for all and we are backing that mission up with historic investments. New Hampshire has financed a public private partnership with Solutions Health for a new state-of-the-art mental health hospital. We also purchased Hampstead Hospital for children with acute mental illness. We reconstructed a wing of New Hampshire Hospital with new beds slated to open in just a few months. We are building a brand-new forensic hospital slated to open next year. All huge capital investments with the goal of getting citizens out of emergency rooms and into the best care facilities possible. Our community investments are working as well. Last year over 5,000 children were served through our Rapid Response Crisis Services. Over 2,000 received assistance from our Mobile Response Teams. We’ve increase mental health supported housing by 61%. We have new Crisis Stabilization Centers moving patients away from emergency rooms. And when it comes to youth detention, New Hampshire now has the lowest rate in the country. There’s a lot of work ahead of us but these transformational changes have opened doors like never before and given families choices when their kids need it most. And remember, if you are a family or individual in crisis you can always call 2-1-1 to be connected to caring help. And unfortunately, too often our mental health efforts become tied into the opioid and fentanyl crisis. It continues to affect every community, not only in New Hampshire, but across the entire country. Now thanks to the very successful Doorway Program we implemented in 2019, New Hampshire citizens have access to wraparound services and options of care across the state. And New Hampshire created the Recovery Friendly Workplace Program, which has gone national, allowing nearly 100,000 citizens to work for a recovery friendly workplace. New Hampshire is now bucking the unfortunate national trend of skyrocketing overdose deaths. The rest of the country is up almost 60% in drug related deaths since 2018, New Hampshire’s numbers are down. But that’s no solace to the approximately 400 families that will lose a loved one this year in this crisis. More always has to be done and we all know where it’s coming from. The fentanyl supply over America’s southern border is increasing daily over the past few years. Record amounts of fentanyl being smuggled into our system. Millions of illegal migrants not just involved with human trafficking and extortion, but with the deadly drug trafficking that is killing New Hampshire citizens. Last year we had almost 200 New Hampshire National Guard soldiers successfully assist at the southern border in McAllen, Texas and we thank them for their service and duty to the country. Tomorrow I will go to the legislature to request funds for additional National Guard to join other states across the country at Eagle Pass, Texas where some of the highest incidents of illegal crossings have occurred. This is not a Texas problem, it is a national crisis and New Hampshire has the chance to provide specialized support, follow the laws of the land, and keep our citizens safe. Let’s do this! And when we talk about our men and women in service to the country, let’s not forget the great work New Hampshire is doing to help our veterans. I want New Hampshire to be the number one state for veteran services and I thank the legislature of their efforts creating our new, first-of-its-kind New Hampshire Military Veterans Campus in Franklin New Hampshire. It is under construction and will begin accepting its first veterans in 2025 for homelessness, recovery and mental health services. Led by Maureen Beauregard and her team at Easter Seals, it really is going to be a gold standard of veteran’s care. There is no doubt about it, times in New Hampshire are good. Good management, fiscal prudence, and a limited government world view guided our decision making. Over these last seven years, New Hampshire has stood out as a beacon of success, a safe haven for freedom and opportunity. We have all put in the hard work, and this was a true team effort. We fought for lower taxes, and it worked. We fought for a more efficient government, and it worked. We fought for local control and decentralized government, and it worked. We fought for the rights of the individual, putting them before government, and it worked. When we had one-time funds come in, instead of growing government or instituting new programs, we used it for one-time projects. Instead of governing with a one-size-fits-all approach out of Concord, we engaged stakeholders, local officials, and families, shifting decision making in government to constituents on the front lines. If I have one message to leave for this legislature, it is this. You cannot take this success for granted. Fiscal prudence rules the day. Personal debt is at an all time high. Inflation has skyrocketed costs to everyday Americans by 20% in just a few years. Many New Hampshire families are struggling because of high prices at the grocery store. These challenges are often beyond our control, so now more than ever it is important that we continue to minimize the state’s burden on taxpayers and ensure the services we provide focus on serving the individual and not the system. Responsible management of taxpayer dollars will be of the utmost importance. If a recession hits, our job as leaders is to make sure we are the last state to enter a recession and the first ones out, but it requires restraint. We are strategic in New Hampshire. We plan. We don’t believe the government gets it done. We empower the private sector to be partners in our success. Next year, there will be a new governor, a new legislature, and new challenges to address. But we are so much better off when we all work together, and it is up to each of you that returns next year to bring the same level of energy, cooperativeness, and bipartisanship that has helped us achieve so much together. New Hampshire has set the gold standard. Now I’m not going anywhere anytime soon, so let’s keep getting it done! Thank you, God bless you, and God bless the great state of New Hampshire.

Rep. Osborne and Sen. Carson moved that the Joint Convention arise.

Motion was adopted.

The Joint Convention adjourned.

HOUSE SESSION
(Speaker Packard in the Chair)

The House reconvened at 2:00 p.m.

CONSENT CALENDAR

Rep. Osborne moved that the Consent Calendar with the relevant amendments as printed in the day's House Record be adopted.

HB 1152, enabling the mental health flag to be flown at the state house, removed by Reps. McLean, Schapiro, Wheeler, James Murphy, Shurtleff, Lascelles, Simpson, Proulx, Gagne and Preece. Consent Calendar was adopted.

HB 1216, relative to cross-district bullying and cyberbullying. **REFER FOR INTERIM STUDY.**

Rep. Mel Myler for Education. This bill provides that bullying or cyber-bullying may occur across school districts and identifies which district will be responsible for the investigation of such claims. The committee agrees that the issue of bullying of any kind has a negative impact on the student, family, and school community. Bullying and cyber-bullying needs to be addressed and the bullying perpetrator be held accountable for the harm invoked on a student. With a desire to resolve a bullying incident, however, came several process questions for the committee: since a school district has little investigative resources, how might a detailed investigation take place; if a student from another school district bullies a student, how do you get that "bully school district" administration to respond appropriately; if a student from another state is the bully, what authority does a school district have to demand an investigation; what role should the local police authorities play in the investigation? These and other questions moved the committee to recommend Interim Study to have more time to fully review answers to these and other questions. Vote 20-0.

HB 1397, relative to information on student placement based on achievement of course competencies. **IN-EXPEDIENT TO LEGISLATE.**

Rep. Corinne Cascadden for Education. School districts have policies for meeting the instructional needs of each individual student. Vote 19-1.

HB 1402-FN, establishing a procedure for a high school proficiency exam waiver of mandatory school attendance. **REFER FOR INTERIM STUDY.**

Rep. Valerie McDonnell for Education. This bill waives mandatory school attendance for students who have demonstrated high school proficiency by manner of exam. The committee is concerned about the bill listing neither a minimum age, nor a parental consent requirement. In addition, the committee believes clarification on the procedure is needed. More specifically, the process of enrolling in courses after mandatory attendance is waived. Also, options already exist for gifted students, such as dual and concurrent enrollment. For the aforementioned reasons, the committee would like to investigate the bill further. Vote 20-0.

HB 1516-FN, relative to enrollment in public schools by children of school district employees. **REFER FOR INTERIM STUDY.**

Rep. Rick Ladd for Education. This bill would allow school district employees to enroll their children in the district they are employed, provided that there is adequate staff and classroom space. While discussing this issue, the committee recognized the intent and possible benefits of the bill; however, a number of questions requiring further information arose: 1) Is this issue better handled by local school boards and in accordance with the established teacher negotiation contract process? 2) If teachers receive this privilege, should other non-teaching community members be afforded the same opportunity, as a matter of public optics? 3) If passed, would a receiving district be required to make special accommodations for instruction or required individualized education program (IEP) equipment needs for the employee's child? 4) If an employee's child was rejected admittance, would the employee have cause for appeal and resolution through the court system? Although the committee recognized that this bill could possibly help with the critical teacher shortage regarding trained personnel in science, math, and special education, the committee believes that further work is needed, and recommends Interim Study. Vote 20-0.

HB 1655, relative to establishing an educator certification fund for fees paid to the department of education. **OUGHT TO PASS.**

Rep. Glenn Cordelli for Education. There is an existing fund for fees paid for the administration of proficiency exams, competency evaluations, and educator credentials. This bill adds fees for processing of criminal history record checks. It also makes the fund non-lapsing and continually appropriated to the Department of Education. Vote 19-0.

The Speaker referred the bill to the Committee on Ways and Means.

HB 1678-FN, establishing a New Hampshire farm to school local food incentive pilot program. **OUGHT TO PASS WITH AMENDMENT.**

Rep. Mike Belcher for Education. This bill establishes the New Hampshire Farm to School Pilot Program. The program establishes a fund of \$120,500 each year for two years for reimbursement to schools on a competitive

basis for the purchase of local, New Hampshire produced foods, overseen by a committee including a farm representative and child nutrition expert. This program will encourage local farms to produce healthful foods for consumption in New Hampshire schools entirely within state authority, with no ties to federal programs, and as such no federal requirements are attached. This program is designed to both facilitate more nutritious and desirable foods for New Hampshire students and improve local food security within the state. Vote 17-3.

Amendment (0381h)

Amend RSA 425:2-c as inserted by section 1 of the bill by replacing it with the following:

425:2-c New Hampshire Farm to School Pilot Program.

I. The department of agriculture, markets, and food shall establish a 2-year pilot program to use grants to reimburse New Hampshire school administrative units for money spent to purchase food from New Hampshire and New England producers. Only school districts participating in the National School Lunch Program shall be eligible for reimbursement grants.

II. The department shall administer an open grant request for applications (RFA) process, with the goal of awarding funds to one applicant from each county in the state. A selection committee will be assembled by the department of agriculture to review the received proposals and select those to be submitted for funding through the pilot program. The selection committee will be made up of 6 individuals qualified because of their knowledge of New Hampshire agriculture, experience with school food service, school nutrition, or farm-to-school processes, shall include one farmer or farmer representative, an expert on childhood nutrition, and may include members from the university of New Hampshire cooperative extension, the department of education, and the department of agriculture, markets, and food. If each county is not represented in the application process, the selection committee may make a second award to another interested school or school district in another county.

III. School district applications shall be scored based on criteria and the department shall ensure that the recipients of grants represent a variety of school sizes, geographic locations, and socioeconomic backgrounds. Awarded school districts shall participate both years of the pilot program. The department shall develop guidelines for the implementation of the program. Such guidelines shall establish a formula for reimbursement, including maximum and minimum reimbursement amounts, based on total student enrollment for each school district. Reimbursement funds may be used to purchase food.

IV. Foods purchased under this program shall originate in New Hampshire. Food purchases by school districts shall include food hub purchases, direct purchases from farms, and purchase through conventional distributors. The place of origin shall be confirmed through self-attestation from the originating producer, or any other means required by the federal government or the department of agriculture.

V. Eligible foods shall include dairy, fish, pork, beef, poultry, eggs, fruits, vegetables, cider, and maple syrup. Processed dairy, minimally processed proteins, and minimally processed produce shall be included.

VI. Food may be served in the school breakfast, school lunch or fresh fruit and vegetable programs. School districts making a claim for reimbursement shall submit a copy of the invoices for eligible purchases monthly. Products shall be reimbursed at 33.3 percent. After year one of the grant period, all unspent funds will be reallocated between schools in the pilot program to be expended in year 2 of the pilot program as prescribed by this section. In an event where participating school districts are unable to continue in year 2 of the pilot, an additional RFA will be released for counties that are no longer represented in the program. At the end of the pilot program, any unused funds shall lapse to the general fund.

VII. The department may contract with New Hampshire Farm to School to support program coordination and management.

VIII. The department shall evaluate the pilot program utilizing objective measures including number of schools served, number of districts served, number of total farms participating, number of organic and sustainable farms participating, and other metrics as indicated by the selection committee. A report shall be provided to the New Hampshire house of representatives environment and agriculture committee and the education committee and the New Hampshire senate energy and natural resources committee and education committee at the end of each fiscal year about the progress of the pilot program.

The Speaker referred the bill to the Committee on Finance.

HB 1446-FN-L, relative to eliminating the cost for electronic copies of the checklist. **INEXPEDIENT TO LEGISLATE.**

Rep. Ross Berry for Election Law. This bill alters the purchasing of electronic copies of the checklist. The committee has interest in working on this issue but has another legislative vehicle it will be acting on that does not have the time constraints of this bill. Vote 18-0.

HB 1699-FN, allowing caucus identification on ballots. **INEXPEDIENT TO LEGISLATE.**

Rep. Ross Berry for Election Law. This bill would add a caucus name to the ballot next to a candidate. There was no mechanism for determining the legitimacy of the caucus or if the candidate was an accepted member. There were also concerns about increasing the length of the ballot. Vote 18-0.

HB 1704-FN, relative to the reconciliation of ballots act. **INEXPEDIENT TO LEGISLATE.**

Rep. Ross Berry for Election Law. This bill was viewed as an omnibus bill encompassing various parts of election law regarding the counting of ballots and penalties for violation of the law. While there is interest in addressing these pressing concerns, the committee did not find it prudent to do these things in one bill. It also would have dramatically increased the number of polling locations in the state, creating a new financial burden on the state and the municipalities. Vote 19-0.

HB 1705-FN, relative to classifying ballots as public information. **INEXPEDIENT TO LEGISLATE.**

Rep. Ross Berry for Election Law. This bill turns ballots into public documents viewable after the election. This bill allows those ballots to be viewed 48 hours after an election and would mean the handling of ballots would be within the recount window and very likely before the certification of the election. This creates a large worry about protecting our ballots while the election process is still concluding. Vote 19-0.

HB 1070, relative to procedures during a state of emergency. **INEXPEDIENT TO LEGISLATE.**

Rep. Tony Lekas for Executive Departments and Administration. This bill would tell all state employees that, while following the governor's orders during a state of emergency, that they not violate either the New Hampshire or the United States Constitutions. RSA 4:45 III-a related to the powers of the governor under a state of emergency already states that "Notwithstanding the foregoing enumerated powers, civil liberties shall on no account be suspended, nor shall the United States Constitution or the New Hampshire Constitution be suspended." While we would hope that state employees would not violate the constitution, except in obvious cases, the constitutionality of an order may not be clear to individual employees. And while, just following orders, is not a justification for blatantly unconstitutional actions, if someone objects to a governor's emergency order, the proper thing to do is sue the governor or perhaps sue the agency head in their official capacity, rather than trying to impose personal liability against state employees. Vote 19-0.

HB 1112, relative to establishing a continuing education requirement regarding human trafficking for individuals licensed by the office of professional licensure and certification. **INEXPEDIENT TO LEGISLATE.**

Rep. Carol McGuire for Executive Departments and Administration. This bill would mandate regular continuing education for all health professionals on the topic of human trafficking. While agreeing that it is an important topic for professionals to know about, the committee felt that mandating a class every two years was excessive. Continuing education courses on human trafficking are readily available for many professions, with more being added all the time. Vote 20-0.

HB 1299-FN, relative to group II membership in the retirement system for certain firefighter educators. **INEXPEDIENT TO LEGISLATE.**

Rep. Matthew Simon for Executive Departments and Administration. This bill sought to allow firefighters with 10 years of field service to take the role of fire instructor in the community college system. The committee recommends the bill be found inexpedient to legislate for a couple of reasons. First, this bill would create a carve out, increasing costs and requiring the community college system to add a new group to their retirement system for just a couple of employees. Secondly, it could create a situation where two people could hold the same job with the same experience but receive different benefits. Vote 20-0.

HB 1324-FN, relative to green burials and authorizing the natural organic reduction of human remains. **REFER FOR INTERIM STUDY.**

Rep. Dianne Schuett for Executive Departments and Administration. This bill proposes a new method of disposal for human remains, "Natural Organic Reduction." Numerous questions were raised during the hearing, such as whether spreading of the soil or compost created requires permitting; whether many municipalities would need to redo their cemetery ordinances to address this new concept; respectful disposition of the large amount of remains produced by the process, the effects of radiation treatment, etc. on remains. And while some states have enacted this system, none have yet been able to craft satisfactory rules regulating it after quite some time. More traditional forms of 'green burials' are already permitted in statute, so the committee recommends Interim Study requesting that the sponsors and supporters of this concept work towards satisfying the many questions. Vote 20-0.

HB 1410-FN, relative to certain professional licenses. **OUGHT TO PASS WITH AMENDMENT.**

Rep. Tony Lekas for Executive Departments and Administration. This bill as amended makes various changes to the occupational licensing statutes. Last year's occupational licensing changes left a number of conflicts in statute. Some responsibilities were intended to be moved from the licensing boards to the Office of Professional Licensing and Certification (OPLC). However, while they were given to OPLC, in some cases they were also left in the board's statutes creating a conflict. This bill resolves some of them. This bill also repeals the board of registration of medical technicians. A medical technician as defined by this statute means a health care worker who is not licensed or registered and who assists licensed health care professionals and has access to controlled substances and patients. The committee heard testimony from OPLC that medical technicians are not viewed as a profession by those working in the field and almost no one is interested in serving

on the board. There has only ever been one member on the board and as a result the board has never been able to achieve a quorum. Therefore, the board has been unable to create any rules, grant any application for registration, or adjudicate any complaints. Unfortunately, the entire system is non-functional. Leaving this registration system in place may create a false sense of security which is not justified. If a future legislature believes there is a problem with medical technicians, then they may be able to devise a solution that can actually work. Vote 19-0.

Amendment (0534h)

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

1 Nurse Practice Act; Board of Nursing. Amend RSA 326-B:3, II to read as follows:

II. Each **APRN or** RN member shall be a resident of this state, licensed in good standing under the provisions of this chapter, and currently engaged in the practice of nursing as an RN and shall have no fewer than 5 years of experience as an RN, at least 3 of which shall have immediately preceded appointment. RN members of the board shall represent the various areas of nursing practice including education, administration, and clinical practice.

2 Nurse Practice Act; Powers and Duties of the Board. Amend RSA 326-B:4 to read as follows:

326-B:4 Powers and Duties of the Board. The board may:

I. Establish reasonable and uniform standards for nursing practice consistent with the criteria identified by the National Council of State Boards of Nursing.

~~II. Provide consultation regarding nursing practice for institutions and agencies.]~~

~~III. Examine, license, and renew the licenses of duly qualified individuals.]~~

II. Establish eligibility criteria for licensure and renewal of licensure, including examination requirements and continuing education requirements. The board shall select an appropriate nationally approved licensing examination.

~~IV. Gather and report to the public statistical information regarding, but not limited to, the education and licensure of registered and practical nurses.~~

~~V. [Repealed.]~~

~~VI. [Repealed.]~~

~~VII.]~~ **III.** Determine and enforce appropriate disciplinary action against all individuals found guilty of violating this chapter or the rules adopted under this chapter.

~~VIII.]~~ **IV.** Deny or withdraw approval of nursing **and nursing assistant** educational programs that do not meet the minimum requirements of this chapter.

~~IX. Maintain records of proceedings as required by the laws of New Hampshire.~~

~~X. Conduct conferences, forums, studies, and research on nursing practice and education.~~

~~XI. [Repealed.]~~

~~XII. [Repealed.]~~

~~XIII. Establish and collect fees, under rules adopted by the board under RSA 541-A, relative to applicants seeking any type of license issued by the board under this chapter, including fees for applications for temporary licenses, reinstatement of inactive licenses, licenses by examination, and renewal of licenses, as well as fees for verifying license status, program graduation, or computerized lists, and fees for site visits associated with nursing education programs under RSA 326-B:32.]~~

~~XIV.]~~ **V.** In accordance with state due process laws, limit the multistate licensure privilege of any registered nurse or licensed practical nurse to practice in New Hampshire and may take any other actions under applicable state laws necessary to protect the health and safety of New Hampshire citizens. If the board does take such action, it shall promptly notify the administrator of the coordinated licensure information system. The administrator of the coordinated licensure information system shall promptly notify the home state of any such action taken by the state of New Hampshire.

~~XV.]~~ **VI.** Establish a liaison committee, a practice and education committee, and such additional subcommittees as may be appropriate to assist the board in the performance of its duties.

3 Nurse Practice Act; Rulemaking Authority. Amend RSA 326-B:9 to read as follows:

326-B:9 Rulemaking Authority. The board shall adopt rules, in accordance with RSA 541-A, relative to the following:

I. Eligibility requirements for the issuance of all initial, temporary, and renewal licenses, specialty licenses, and certificates issued ~~[by the board]~~ **under this chapter**, including the issuance of such licenses to applicants holding a currently valid license or other authorization to practice in another jurisdiction.

II. Eligibility requirements for the reinstatement of licenses after lapse and after disciplinary action.

III. Recognition of national certifying bodies issuing specialty certifications required for licensure as an APRN which shall also be recognized by the National Council of State Boards of Nursing.

IV. The standards to be met by, and the process for approval of, education programs designed to prepare applicants to qualify for licensure or certification in any of the disciplines regulated by the board under RSA 326-B:32, including the time period within which noncompliance must be corrected before such approval is withdrawn.

V. The standards to be met by, and the process for approval of, education programs designed to prepare LPNs in intravenous therapy and by programs designed to prepare LNAs to perform tasks not addressed in the basic curriculum required for licensure.

VI. The determination of disciplinary sanctions authorized by this chapter, including the determination of administrative fines.

VII. The administration of examinations authorized by this chapter, and the manner in which information regarding the contents of any licensing examinations may be disclosed, solicited, or compiled.

VIII. Ethical standards for the practice of nursing and nursing-related activities.

IX. Continuing competence requirements.

X. Designations that may be used by persons regulated by the board and retired persons regulated by the board.

XI. The implementation and coordination of the nurse licensure compact adopted in RSA 326-B:46. The board shall use model rules developed for the nurse licensure compact by the National Council of State Boards of Nursing as the basis for adopting rules which shall be modified as necessary to comply with state statutes.

XII. Prescribing controlled drugs pursuant to RSA 318-B:41.

XIII. A process for registering practitioners who have been granted a special registration to prescribe controlled substances via telemedicine pursuant to 21 U.S.C. section 831(h).

XIV. The implementation of strategies and procedures necessary to increase the acceptance of military training and experience towards licensure for military veterans seeking to be licensed as a nurse. For the purposes of this subparagraph, "veterans" means veterans as defined in 38 U.S.C. section 101(2).

XV. Implementation of the nursing assistant registry pursuant to 42 C.F.R. section 483.156, including placement of qualified individuals on the nursing assistant registry.

XVI. The requirements for approval of a nurse aide training and competency evaluation program pursuant to 42 C.F.R. sections 483.151-152 and nurse aide competency evaluations pursuant to 42 C.F.R. section 483.154.

4 Nurse Practice Act; Criminal History Record Checks. Amend RSA 326-B:15, I to read as follows:

I. Every applicant for initial licensure shall submit to the [board] **office** a criminal history record release form, as provided by the New Hampshire division of state police, department of safety, which authorizes the release of his or her criminal history record, if any, to the [board] **office**.

5 Nurse Practice Act; Licensure; All Applicants. Amend RSA 326-B:16, I to read as follows:

I. Submit a completed application and fees [~~as established by the board~~].

6 Nurse Practice Act; Modified License; Registered Nurse or Licensed Practical Nurse. Amend RSA 326-B:25 to read as follows:

326-B:25 Modified License; Registered Nurse or Licensed Practical Nurse. The [board] **office** may issue a modified license to an individual who has met licensure requirements and who is able to practice without compromising public safety within a modified scope of practice or with accommodations or both as specified by the board.

7 Nurse Practice Act; Certificate of Medication Administration for Licensed Nursing Assistants. Amend RSA 326-B:27, I to read as follows:

I. The [board] **office** may issue a certificate of medication administration to a current LNA who:

(a) Has participated in and completed a board-approved medication administration education program;

(b) Has passed an examination approved by the board; and

(c) Has paid the certification fee.

8 Office of Professional Licensure and Certification; Telemedicine and Telehealth Services. Amend RSA 310:7, II to read as follows:

II. Individuals licensed, certified, or registered pursuant to RSA 137-F; RSA 151-A; RSA 315; RSA 316-A; RSA 317-A; RSA 326-B; RSA 326-D; RSA 326-H; RSA 327; RSA 328-D; RSA 328-E; RSA 328-F; RSA 328-G; RSA 329-B; RSA 330-A; RSA 330-C; RSA 327-A; RSA 329; RSA 326-B; RSA 318; [~~RSA 328-I;~~] RSA 328-J; or RSA 332-B may provide services through telemedicine or telehealth, provided the services rendered are authorized by scope of practice. Nothing in this provision shall be construed to expand the scope of practice for individuals regulated under this chapter.

9 Repeal. The following are repealed:

I. RSA 328-I, relative to the board of registration of medical technicians.

II. RSA 151:3-d, relative to verification of medical technician registration.

III. RSA 310:2, II(jj), relative to the board of registration of medical technicians.

IV. RSA 326-B:3, IX-XI, relative to the board of nursing.

V. RSA 326-B:6, relative to collection and expenditure of funds.

VI. RSA 326-B:8, relative to fees and charges.

VII. RSA 326-B:21, relative to licensure by endorsement for licensed nursing assistants.

VIII. RSA 326-B:22, relative to license renewal.

IX. RSA 326-B:23, relative to license reinstatement.

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

AMENDED ANALYSIS

This bill repeals the chapter on the board of registration of medical technicians. This bill further makes changes to the nurse practice act.

The Speaker referred the bill to the Committee on Ways and Means.

HB 1421-FN, relative to investment consulting services in the New Hampshire retirement system. **INEXPEDIENT TO LEGISLATE.**

Rep. Peter Schmidt for Executive Departments and Administration. This bill was intended to redesign and restructure the independent investment committee to achieve greater results at lower costs. In vetting the bill, it was discovered that the proposed new methodology was not functional, and the sponsor requested the bill be found inexpedient to legislate. Vote 20-0.

HB 1427-FN-A, establishing the regulation and licensure of deputy physicians. **INEXPEDIENT TO LEGISLATE.**

Rep. Jaci Grote for Executive Departments and Administration. Although we share the concerns for healthcare providers in rural areas of New Hampshire, the committee's vote reflects the resistance to create another healthcare license with the existing healthcare licenses for APRN, RN, LNA, and Physician Assistants. With the recent procedural changes aimed at efficiency, made in the Office of Professional Licensure and Certification, the availability of licensed professionals should increase without creating a new license. Vote 20-0.

HB 1601-FN-A, relative to the prescription drug affordability board. **INEXPEDIENT TO LEGISLATE.**

Rep. Matthew Santonastaso for Executive Departments and Administration. This bill does two things. It extends the executive director contract from 2 to 4 years and removes the requirement for contracts to be approved by the fiscal committee of the general court. It's understandable why the prescription drug affordability board would support a bill to expand its power. However, it is not necessary to remove the oversight from the fiscal committee because it's not commonly done with other boards. Vote 20-0.

HB 1653-FN, relative to determination of earnable compensation for certain group II retirement system members. **REFER FOR INTERIM STUDY.**

Rep. Matthew Simon for Executive Departments and Administration. This bill seeks to increase retirement benefits for group II members who commenced service prior to July 1, 2011 by authorizing overtime pay to be included as part of an employee's base pay, and by allowing extra and special duty to be included as compensation. Although changing these benefits would bring them more in line with what they were when these members were hired, the estimated \$26.9 million price tag is prohibitive. Vote 20-0.

HB 1673-FN, relative to average final compensation for certain group II members. **REFER FOR INTERIM STUDY.**

Rep. Matthew Simon for Executive Departments and Administration. This bill seeks to increase retirement benefits for group II members who commenced service prior to July 1, 2011 and who had not attained vested status prior to January 1, 2012 by adjusting the calculation for average compensation paid in excess of full base pay. Although some members of the committee are sympathetic to the intent of the bill, the \$18.5 million price tag is prohibitive in a year when members of the committee agree that other retirement legislation is a priority. Vote 20-0.

HB 1676-FN, establishing a sunset commission to evaluate various occupational boards and commissions, and sunseting various boards and commissions. **REFER FOR INTERIM STUDY.**

Rep. Jaci Grote for Executive Departments and Administration. This bill, with the proposed amendment, forms a study commission to address licensing weighing the protection of the public with the right of an individual to pursue a lawful occupation. The purpose of the commission is to determine if the balance of these two components is being done properly, and to suggest improvements. The committee agrees that it is important to review current practices and to determine if they are useful and effective. The committee is concerned about the lack of representation by licensees on the commission, as well as the focus on the "least restrictive regulation" as determined using marketplace indicators. Lastly, the committee was also concerned about forming a commission whose work might be considered by the Office of Professional Licensure and Certification Oversight Committee formed last year. The interim study will look at ways to address the goals of this bill, through the effort of the existing oversight committee. Vote 20-0.

HB 1679, relative to changing to Atlantic Standard Time. **REFER FOR INTERIM STUDY.**

Rep. Sherry Gould for Executive Departments and Administration. This bill is relative to changing to Atlantic Standard Time. The committee felt there are some issues with the bill that require additional work and an interim study will allow some work on the bill. Vote 19-0.

HB 1417-FN, relative to wild trout management. **INEXPEDIENT TO LEGISLATE.**

Rep. Kimberly Abare for Fish and Game and Marine Resources. The proposed bill seeks to enshrine a wild trout management program into New Hampshire statute, raising concerns among committee members who argue that such a program already falls under the purview of the Fish and Game Department. They contend that the bill risks duplicating existing efforts and potentially creating bureaucratic inefficiencies. Vote 16-2.

HB 1530-FN, requiring fish and game officers to wear body cameras. **REFER FOR INTERIM STUDY.**

Rep. Mike Ouellet for Fish and Game and Marine Resources. This bill would require Fish and Game officers to wear body cameras. Although the majority of the committee had no issues with officers wearing body cameras, there were logistical questions that were ambiguous and confusing and needed to be answered before proceeding. Two big questions were where and when the cameras would and should be activated by the officers and how long the recorded footage should be archived. There were conflicts with standard law enforcement policies and Fish and Game policies. Vote 18-0.

HB 1693-FN, relative to the use of psychedelics for therapeutic purposes. **REFER FOR INTERIM STUDY.**

Rep. Erica Layon for Health, Human Services and Elderly Affairs. As written recently in the Journal of the American Medical Association by a Veteran's Affairs (VA) Medical Center physician, "An increasing number of clinicians and researchers have become interested in the potential of psychedelic drugs for the treatment of mental health disorders, including depression, anxiety, posttraumatic stress disorder, eating disorders, and addictions." Recognizing that the VA is looking to study psychedelics to address the needs of veterans and that Mass General Hospital operates the Center for the Neuroscience of Psychedelics, the committee believes that it is important to study this issue to ensure that the State of New Hampshire is not standing in the way of offering these emerging treatments where appropriate. Vote 20-0.

HB 1069, relative to material subject to disclosure following a public meeting under the right-to-know law. **OUGHT TO PASS WITH AMENDMENT.**

Rep. Bob Lynn for Judiciary. As amended, this bill enhances the right to know law (RTKL) in several significant ways. First, it eliminates the reference to "citizen" in several places in the RTKL and replaces this term with the word "person." The committee heard evidence that at least some municipalities had used the "citizen" reference to limit the reach of the law to only those persons who were either citizens of the municipality in question or citizens of New Hampshire. For example, recently one New Hampshire municipality refused a records request from the publisher of a local newspaper that serves that municipality because the publisher resides in Maine. The bill also gives persons the right to request information electronically without having to appear at the business offices of the governmental body, and it requires the governmental body to comply with the requester's desire to receive the records either electronically or by mail. However, the public body may decline to provide the records electronically if doing so would be unduly burdensome or if doing so would compromise the security of its record-keeping system. The public body is not permitted to impose a charge for the delivery of records electronically, but it may charge postage for sending the records through the mail. Vote 19-0.

Amendment (0406h)

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

AN ACT relative to material subject to disclosure under the right-to-know law.

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

1 Definition of Governmental Proceedings. Amend RSA 91-A:1-a, II to read as follows:

II. "Governmental proceedings" means the transaction of any functions affecting any ~~for all citizens of the state~~ **person** by a public body.

2 Minutes and Records Available for Public Inspection; Electronic Record Requests. Amend RSA 91-A:4, I to read as follows:

I. ~~Every citizen~~ **Any person** during the regular or business hours of all public bodies or agencies, and on the regular business premises of such public bodies or agencies, has the right to inspect all governmental records in the possession, custody, or control of such public bodies or agencies, including minutes of meetings of the public bodies, and to copy and make memoranda or abstracts of the records or minutes so inspected, except as otherwise prohibited by statute or RSA 91-A:5. In this section, "to copy" means the reproduction of original records by whatever method, including, but not limited to photography, photostatic copy, printing, or electronic or tape recording. **Any person also has the right, without physically appearing at the regular business premises of public bodies or agencies, to request governmental records electronically or by mail. At the election of the person requesting the records, the public body or agency shall provide such records electronically or by mail without requiring the physical appearance of the person at its business premises to receive delivery of the records, provided however, that the public body or agency shall not be required to provide records electronically in a format other than the format under which the public body or agency regularly maintains such records, or to provide records electronically if it lacks the technological capability to do so, if doing so would be unduly burdensome, or if doing so would compromise the security of its record-keeping system. If the person requests that the records be provided by mail, the public body or agency may charge the person the cost of postage. No charge shall be made for records delivered electronically.**

3 Access to Governmental Records and Meetings; Records Available for Public Inspection; Preliminary Drafts. Amend RSA 91-A:4, II to read as follows:

II. After the completion of a meeting of a public body, ~~[every citizen]~~ **any person**, during the regular or business hours of such public body, and on the regular business premises of such public body, has the right to inspect all notes, materials, tapes, or other sources used for compiling the minutes of such meetings, and to make memoranda or abstracts or to copy such notes, materials, tapes, or sources inspected, except as otherwise prohibited by statute or RSA 91-A:5.

4 Appeals and Enforcement; Filing Fee or Surcharge. Amend RSA 91-A:7-c, I to read as follows:

I. Any party may appeal the ombudsman's final ruling to the superior court by filing a notice of appeal in superior court no more than 30 calendar days after the ombudsman's ruling is issued. The ombudsman's ruling shall be attached to the document initiating the appeal, admitted as a full exhibit by the superior court, considered by the judge during deliberations, and specifically addressed in the court's written order. ~~[Citizen-initiated]~~ Appeals shall have no filing fee or surcharge. The public body or public agency shall pay the sheriff's service costs if the public body or public agency, or its attorney, declines to accept service. Nothing in this section shall prevent a superior court from staying an ombudsman's decision pending appeal to the superior court.

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

AMENDED ANALYSIS

This bill:

I. Clarifies a public body or agency's ability to accept record requests by electronic means and to provide such records electronically.

II. Replaces the word "citizen" with "person" throughout the chapter.

HB 1256-FN, establishing liability for publishers and distributors of Internet material harmful to minors. **INEXPEDIENT TO LEGISLATE.**

Rep. Scott Wallace for Judiciary. This bill seeks to establish liability for publishers and distributors of Internet pornographic material harmful to minors. Such material is described as addictive to those under age 18 as well as damaging to minors' development. This bill would have established a digital online age verification mechanism. However, such a system could be easily worked around with the use of a virtual private network (VPN) or similar IP address-cloaking applications. Additionally, the committee saw problems with the civil cause of action the bill would provide as the sole remedy for violation of its terms. These proof problems would include difficulty in tying a violation to any particular injury allegedly resulting from the violation as well as problems quantifying and determining actual harm and causation in such cases. It was suggested in committee that either a criminal process or one authorizing civil penalties by the attorney general would be a more appropriate method to deal with this particular subject, but the AG was not consulted about this prospect. The committee also heard testimony indicating that legislation similar to this proposal has been found violative of the first amendment rights of adult website users by at least two federal courts. Vote 16-2.

HB 1651-FN, relative to combining the board of tax and land appeals and the housing appeals board. **INEXPEDIENT TO LEGISLATE.**

Rep. Marjorie Smith for Judiciary. The bill called for combining the board of tax and land appeals and the housing appeals board. The committee heard testimony from various stakeholders and concluded that while we were aware of interest in combining or eliminating a mix of boards, the purposes of these particular boards, their jurisdiction, and the complexities of their tasks differed enough to make it unwise to combine the boards now. The committee notes the newness of the housing appeals board resulted in limited data to help us make an informed decision and expects that future legislatures will be able to continue to evaluate the work of these boards. Vote 19-0.

HB 1290, relative to protection of employment for members of the general court. **INEXPEDIENT TO LEGISLATE.**

Rep. Michael Costable for Legislative Administration. This bill states: "An employer shall not discharge an employee who is a member of the general court" for attending House sessions. The strong majority of the committee believes becoming an elected state representative or senator can be very rewarding, but it comes with hard trade-offs. Chief among these tradeoffs are often lost wages and lost job opportunities. While it may be tempting to force employers to keep us all on the payroll, it is not the proper function of this body. Even if we believed it to be constitutional, practical issues arise as well. Questions the committee asks included: how could this be enforced for out-of-state or out-of-country employers? What if session days were merely a contributing factor and not the sole reason for termination? Should the size of the workforce for a particular employer matter? Is it possible this legislation might cause legislators to find even fewer job opportunities and stability than exist under the current laws if this bill were to pass? And always, Part 1 of our ethics guidelines states: "Legislators shall treat their office as a public trust, only using the powers and resources of public office to advance public interests, and not attain personal benefits..." Do our constituents have similar benefits to what this bill asks? Vote 13-1.

HB 1666-FN, relative to income reporting requirements for lobbyists. **OUGHT TO PASS WITH AMENDMENT.**

Rep. Vanessa Sheehan for Legislative Administration. The committee heard testimony that the antiquated system hosted by our Secretary of State that is used to accept lobbyists' financial filings required by law is not easily found on the NH.gov website, is not in a standard format, and is often handwritten. As a result, those organizations that seek to manipulate the data for the sake of public transparency rate New Hampshire poorly in that regard. The amendment replaced all of the bill's existing language and, with the help of the sponsor and the approval of the Secretary of State's office, requires the establishment of an on-line electronic system in a standardized form for both the financial filings and the initial registering of lobbyists. Additionally, the financial reporting shall be required three times annually instead of four. Everyone should be much happier with the result when the project is completed. Vote 14-0.

Amendment (0380h)

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

1 State Government; Lobbyists; Registration. Amend RSA 15:1, I to read as follows:

I. Any person who is employed for a consideration by any other person, except the state of New Hampshire, in a representative capacity for the purposes specified in paragraph II of this section shall first register as a lobbyist with the secretary of state *through the secretary of state's online lobbyist filing system*. Each registration shall report the existence of a relationship between a single client and either a single lobbyist or a partnership, firm, or corporation with one or more partners, members, or employees of a firm acting as lobbyist.

2 Lobbyist Statements; Filing Dates. Amend RSA 15:6, II to read as follows:

II. Lobbyists shall *electronically* file statements no later than ~~[the last Wednesday of each January, April, July, and October]~~ *January 31, May 31, and September 30*, covering all fees received and expenditures, contributions, honorariums, or expense reimbursements made since the last required filing, from fees received at any time from a lobbying client or employer or from funds otherwise provided by the lobbyist, partnership, firm, or corporation, or from the client or employer.

3 Lobbyist Statements; Electronic Filing Requirement. Amend the introductory paragraph of RSA 15:6, V to read as follows:

V. The lobbyist statement shall be ~~[in the form prescribed by the secretary of state, may be in paper or electronic form, and]~~ *filed electronically with the secretary of state in a format that enables the secretary of state to link all information regarding income and expenses, political contributions, and honorariums or expense reimbursements submitted by an individual lobbyist under this section*.

4 Effective Date. This act shall take effect January 1, 2027.

The Speaker referred the bill to the Committee on Finance.

HB 1040, relative to including interest in an abated property tax refund at the rate determined by the department of revenue administration. **REFER FOR INTERIM STUDY.**

Rep. Richard Brown for Municipal and County Government. The committee is in agreement with the prime sponsor who believes this legislation requires further work and also requested Interim Study. Vote 19-0.

HB 1055, relative to the property tax exemption for charitable organizations. **OUGHT TO PASS.**

Rep. John MacDonald for Municipal and County Government. This bill will allow charitable organizations to file a late application for a property tax exemption due to accident, mistake, or misfortune. Vote 17-2.

HB 1218, relative to voting for municipal bonds. **INEXPEDIENT TO LEGISLATE.**

Rep. Len Turcotte for Municipal and County Government. Currently, a super majority of the voting body is required for the approval of bonds. This legislation proposes to change that approval to a simple majority in a few instances. The concept of super-majorities is sound and should remain in the RSAs. Where large sums of money are required and taxpayers are ultimately responsible for those debts, a higher voting hurdle is needed and historically proven effective and responsible. Vote 18-1.

HB 1362, relative to authorizing municipalities to stabilize rent increases in rental housing. **INEXPEDIENT TO LEGISLATE.**

Rep. Len Turcotte for Municipal and County Government. Rent control by any other name is rent control and it has proven disastrous every time it has been tried. There are many known consequences: the decay of rental units as landlord's rents cannot keep up with maintenance costs and expenses turning entire areas into slums, rental units removed from the marketplace and the impacts of neighboring municipalities where one applies rent control, and the other does not. There are many unknown unintended consequences as well. Municipalities have many ways to advance housing policy by utilizing their zoning ordinances. This legislation is not only not needed, but potentially detrimental to our state. Vote 17-2.

HB 1043, relative to the capital appropriation for the legislative parking garage design. **OUGHT TO PASS WITH AMENDMENT.**

Rep. David Milz for Public Works and Highways. The bill, as amended, repurposes previously approved capital appropriation monies for the legislative parking garage design and police standards and training council facility improvements. No new budget monies are requested. Vote 19-0.

Amendment (0375h)

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

AN ACT relative to the capital appropriations for the legislative parking garage design and police standards and training council facility improvements.

Amend the bill by inserting after section 1 the following and renumbering the original section 2 to read as 3:

2 Amend 2019, 146:1, XIV to read as follows:

XIV. Police Standards and Training Council.

A. ~~[Boiler Replacement]~~ ***Police Standards and Training Council facility improvements (boilers, controllers, a/c replacements, range ventilation and filtration and tactical center floor replacement)***

1,035,000

B. Purchase Training and Certification Database

150,000

Total state appropriation paragraph XIV

\$1,185,000

AMENDED ANALYSIS

This bill allows the unspent capital appropriation for the design of the Legislative Parking Garage to transfer to the State House Capitol Complex and specifies police standards and training council facility improvements.

HB 1379-FN, relative to yard debris and roadside vegetation. **INEXPEDIENT TO LEGISLATE.**

Rep. Bill Boyd for Public Works and Highways. The committee appreciates the spirit of the bill: that yard clippings and unwanted vegetation can find its way into our streets and roads creating road hazards and unwanted nuisances. However, whether this fact is intentional or unintentional raises questions of enforceability and unfunded mandates for the committee. Vote 19-0.

HB 1488-FN, relative to hazard mitigation funding. **REFER FOR INTERIM STUDY.**

Rep. Bill Boyd for Public Works and Highways. The committee agrees that hazard mitigation is absolutely needed to assist smaller, Granite State communities that have been impacted by the myriad of storms that have impacted New Hampshire over the past year. The federal government has been slow to respond to community reimbursement requests; making no reimbursement commitments to smaller New Hampshire communities whose highway budgets have been blown apart by costs they have absorbed repairing their local infrastructure. The program should also occur during a budget cycle, not off-budget, to ensure an appropriate level of funding is allocated. The committee unanimously believes Interim Study is the right recommendation to make because a completed study would permit a more thorough examination of costs to ensure all impacted communities can fully benefit from a program that is a compound, revolving fund versus a static, general appropriation fund. Vote 19-0.

HB 1547, requiring mileage-based exit numbers on Tier I highways. **REFER FOR INTERIM STUDY.**

Rep. Bill Boyd for Public Works and Highways. The committee recognizes the fact that changing the exit numbers on our interstate highways from sequential order to a mileage-based frequency is inevitable. The New Hampshire Department of Transportation testified that they are prepared to make those changes with minimal impacts to the Granite State motorists. However, from a financial planning perspective, these changes should occur during a budget cycle, not off-budget, to ensure that appropriate planning and funding is allocated to successfully complete implementation of the new highway signage. The committee unanimously agrees that Interim Study is the appropriate avenue to achieve this goal. Vote 19-0.

HB 1078, relative to first responder organization access to wireless tower co-location. **OUGHT TO PASS WITH AMENDMENT.**

Rep. JD Bernardy for Science, Technology and Energy. The committee found that there were communities with significant gaps in radio and broadband coverage that significantly impacted communication by and between police, fire, and emergency responders throughout the state. This bill requires the Division of Emergency Services Communications in the Department of Safety to investigate the issue and make recommendations on strategies on how to address the identified service gaps. Vote 20-0.

Amendment (0438h)

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

AN ACT directing the division of emergency services and communications to examine gaps in radio and broadband communications coverage with a focus on the needs of first responders.

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

1 Emergency Management Powers and Duties Regarding Communications Systems. Amend RSA 21-P:38 to read as follows:

21-P:38 Emergency Management Powers and Duties Regarding Communications Systems. The division of emergency services and communications shall:

I. Ascertain what means exist for rapid and efficient communications during natural and man-made disasters. The division shall consider the desirability of supplementing these communications resources or of integrating them into a comprehensive state or state and federal telecommunications or other communications system which may be established for purposes of emergency management. In studying the character and feasibility of any such system or its several parts, the division of emergency services and communications shall evaluate the possibility of the multi-purpose use of such a system for general state and local government purposes. The division shall make recommendations regarding such communications systems to the assistant commissioner as appropriate.

II. Investigate how to close gaps in radio and broadband communications coverage, focusing on the needs of first responders, and issue a report to the speaker of the house of representatives, the president of the senate, the house clerk, the senate clerk, and the governor's office, no later than January 1, 2025. The report shall include recommendations and strategies to address any identified communication gaps.

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

AMENDED ANALYSIS

This bill directs the division of emergency services and communications to investigate how to close gaps in radio and broadband communications coverage, with a focus on the needs of first responders.

HB 1487, relative to the health effects of 5G technology. **INEXPEDIENT TO LEGISLATE.**

Rep. Douglas Thomas for Science, Technology and Energy. Testimonies covered much the same ground as in previous like bills with no new information presented. A previous commission report produced several recommendations that were deemed too expensive, in conflict with federal statutes or had unsubstantiated claims of effectiveness. A study committee after that report could not come up with appropriate legislative action other than suggesting towns and municipalities had some control over placement of towers and should investigate specifics as to how to accomplish this. In the end, the committee understood that some residents do suffer from various ailments in locations where electromagnetic radiation was present but could not reconcile "correlation with causation" enough to enact meaningful legislation. Vote 20-0.

HB 1508, requiring fiber optic communications service providers to prioritize service restoration for public safety and public health organizations. **REFER FOR INTERIM STUDY.**

Rep. Lex Berezchny for Science, Technology and Energy. This bill requires that a provider of communication services prioritize restoration of communication for critical infrastructure over commercial and residential customers. An issue with prescribing restoration prioritization in law is that it could hinder and slow down efficient restoration for all customers. Interim study would allow the committee to investigate alternative solutions and to better understand the issues faced by public safety and health agencies in working with communication service providers to restore service. The prime sponsor agreed to refer this bill to interim study. Vote 20-0.

HB 1041, relative to establishing a commission to investigate the USS Liberty incident and its aftermath. **REFER FOR INTERIM STUDY.**

Rep. Tom Mannion for State-Federal Relations and Veterans Affairs. The committee unanimously voted for an Interim Study option on this measure. While there are reasonable concerns as to whether a New Hampshire commission would be the best approach for raising awareness and addressing questions about the tragic 1967 Israeli attack on a U.S. Navy vessel, members were impressed by the testimony of survivors seeking better accountability concerning this attack, which involved several Granite Staters coming under lethal fire. Vote 20-0.

HR 24, reaffirming support for the child labor amendment to the United States Constitution. **OUGHT TO PASS.**

Rep. Shaun Filiault for State-Federal Relations and Veterans Affairs. The committee unanimously supports this measure and condemns the inappropriate exploitation of children in the work force. This resolution affirms this state's 1933 ratification of the Child Labor Amendment to the Federal Constitution. The amendment specifically authorizes Congress to regulate child labor. Currently, 28 of the 38 required states (including New Hampshire) have ratified the Amendment. This resolution reminds our fellow states of the amendment's continued existence and the need for additional states' ratification for it to become part of our Federal Constitution. Vote 20-0.

HR 28, urging for the compensation for injuries from PFAS and for the closure and cleaning of sites affected by PFAS. **OUGHT TO PASS WITH AMENDMENT.**

Rep. Christine Seibert for State-Federal Relations and Veterans Affairs. This House Resolution calls attention to the history of environmental destruction involving the French headquartered company Saint-Gobain which has a facility in Merrimack, New Hampshire. For many years, Saint-Gobain has apparently misled authorities about the extent to which it has contaminated greater Merrimack's drinking water, soil, and air

with carcinogenic PFAS chemicals resulting in added filtration costs to the taxpayers, various health impacts, cancer-related deaths, including cancer-related deaths among pets and small animals exposed to PFAS chemicals. Saint-Gobain has announced that it is closing this facility after years of contaminating Merrimack. The financial burden of remediation should lie with the company that caused the damage. This resolution calls for state and federal officials and agencies as well as the President of France to monitor the company closure as well as its departure from the United States to ensure that said company pays for proper remediation relating to the damage it caused to greater Merrimack. It also asks that New Hampshire citizens not be required to invest in cleaning up the environmental mess or in paying health-related costs caused by the actions of a corporate polluter. Vote 20-0.

Amendment (0242h)

Amend the resolution by replacing the nineteenth paragraph after the title with the following:

Whereas, Saint-Gobain did not notify our department of environmental services that they had installed a bypass system on their filtration stacks which was recently used when the stacks failed which resulted in 2 pounds of PFAS chemicals being released directly into our air; and

Amend the resolution by replacing all after the resolving clause with the following:

That those who have been injured by PFAS exposure are monitored and compensated by Saint Gobain for treatment to address PFAS related injuries;

That the burden of the PFAS contamination removal from the affected communities, including the soils, water resources and infrastructure, the manufacturing facility, and all related materials, will be the sole responsibility of Saint Gobain and that residents of New Hampshire are not held responsible for any remediation costs;

That the Saint Gobain facility is closed under the supervision of the strictest removal protocol leaving no trace of any of the chemicals in any affected community, infrastructure, and geographical area;

That efforts shall be made to ensure that the Saint-Gobain site does not remain an ongoing hazard to the town of Merrimack, the surrounding affected communities, and the rest of the region; and

That copies of this resolution be transmitted by the house clerk to the President of the United States, the President of France, the relevant offices of the United States Department of Justice and Environmental Protection Agency, the New Hampshire department of justice, the New Hampshire department of environmental services, and all members of the New Hampshire congressional delegation.

HB 1484-L, relative to current use taxation for certain forested lands. **INEXPEDIENT TO LEGISLATE.**

Rep. Cyril Aures for Ways and Means. This bill will impact forest revenues and adversely impact wildlife health in an unmanaged forest. This bill is inconsistent with current use laws. Vote 20-0.

HB 1492-FN, relative to the rate and exemptions of the interest and dividends tax. **REFER FOR INTERIM STUDY.**

Rep. Susan Almy for Ways and Means. Next year is a budget year, in which we may face many challenges of revenues and expenditures. The committee agreed that this bill should not go forward this year but be subject to Interim Study. Vote 20-0.

HB 1531-FN, relative to allowing a business profits tax adjustment for the depreciation deduction permitted under Internal Revenue Code Section 168(k). **INEXPEDIENT TO LEGISLATE.**

Rep. Walter Spilsbury for Ways and Means. As New Hampshire business profits tax (BPT) law conforms to the Internal Revenue Code (IRC) in effect on December 31, 2018, businesses now may elect the special allowance for depreciation as provided under IRC section 168(k), generally referred to as "bonus depreciation," in relation to capital assets with a useful life of less than 20 years. This is one of several alternative depreciation conventions available under the IRC. Though the 2017 Tax Cuts and Jobs Act (TCJA) initially set the allowable rate at 100% of the adjusted basis for qualifying property placed in service after September 27, 2017, that rate began to phase-down to 80% for property placed in service after December 31, 2022, declining to 60% for 2024 and further to 40% and 20% for the coming two years, being fully phased out by the end of 2026. This bill proposes to steer away from the federal phase-out, instead restoring the rate to 100% for all qualified property placed in service after December 31, 2024, with no further adjustments. This would represent a dramatic departure from the federal allowances, which are in turn a moving target. The committee determined that restoring the full allowance as the IRC progressively eliminates it would be difficult to justify, especially when other measures allowing accelerated depreciation or expensing remain available to encourage capital investment. Vote 20-0.

HB 1533-FN, relative to the safe harbor compensation amount under the business profits tax. **OUGHT TO PASS.**

Rep. David Rochefort for Ways and Means. The New Hampshire Business Profits Tax code allows for a safe harbor provision for substantiating the value of personal services of proprietors, partners, or members, up to \$75,000. This bill adjusts the safe harbor to \$100,000 and also links it to the Consumer Price Index on a biennial basis to more accurately reflect the safe harbor amount. Vote 20-0.

HB 1551-FN, relative to distinguishing between C corporations and S corporations for purposes of calculating business profits taxes. **INEXPEDIENT TO LEGISLATE.**

Rep. Walter Spilsbury for Ways and Means. This bill directs the state to distinguish between C corporations and S corporations in the calculation of business profits tax (BPT), providing that “flow-through items on the Schedule K shall not be incorporated into corporate income when determining taxable business profits.” Current BPT law does not distinguish between Subchapter S corporations and C corporations, as the S corporation is taxed at the entity level similarly to the C corporation. The sponsor’s purpose was to avoid a potential for double taxation by New Hampshire at both the corporate and individual level. Though well-intentioned, the mechanics of excluding flow-through income from business profits tax would be drastic. As the effective date would be July 1, 2025, the Department of Revenue Administration’s (DRA) fiscal note estimates a fiscal impact of about \$195 million for 2026 and of \$229 million for 2027 and forward annually from the BPT alone. Moreover, the bill does not address the concomitant question of the business enterprise tax (BET), which would be necessary to fashion any comprehensive solution. On the other side of the coin, New Hampshire does not have a personal income tax and any potential for double taxation under the Interest and Dividends Tax would be limited from here on as that tax is being phased out. Perhaps a closer review of how S corporations are treated in New Hampshire tax law may be warranted, but this bill would not have achieved the sponsor’s objective while dramatically reducing state revenue. Vote 20-0.

HB 1558-FN, relative to agent fees for fish and game licenses. **INEXPEDIENT TO LEGISLATE.**

Rep. Julius Soti for Ways and Means. As recommended by the Fish and Game Department this bill is not necessary. The change in fees was taken care of in rules. They have increased the fees to \$5. Vote 20-0.

REGULAR CALENDAR

HB 1212-FN-L, relative to eligibility for free school meals. **MAJORITY: OUGHT TO PASS. MINORITY: INEXPEDIENT TO LEGISLATE.**

Rep. Muriel Hall for the Majority of Education. The intent of this bill is to support a greater number of families who are financially vulnerable by providing greater access to school meals. This bill raises the eligibility cap for free school meals to 350% of the federal poverty level (FPL). Current federal law provides for free school meals to families who earn up to 130% of the FPL and reduced-price school meals to families whose annual income is 130-185% of the FPL. School meals play a critical role in the health, well-being, and academic success of students. With the current rise in cost-of-living expenses, we are committed to assisting Granite State families in reducing food insecurity and expanding the opportunity to feed hungry kids. This bill authorizes the Department of Education to reimburse school districts with monies from the Education Trust Fund. Vote 10-8.

Rep. Mike Belcher for the Minority of Education. This bill would raise the eligibility threshold for the federal program providing taxpayer subsidized meals to students from the current 180% of poverty level to 350% of poverty level, and it would allocate state taxpayer funds to cover the difference, as no federal reimbursement would be available for this increase. The committee received competing fiscal analysis of this proposal, and though the numbers varied, what is clear is that the increase to New Hampshire taxpayers would be well in excess of \$50 million yearly, and likely well in excess of \$100 million per year, with the range of possibility doubling that amount. Critically important is that this proposal does not allow New Hampshire to exercise control over the expenditure of these funds. By simply expanding the federal program, all federal guidelines must be adhered to, from a strict bidding process that makes it nearly impossible to purchase local, healthy foods, to the highly disputed US Department of Agriculture (USDA) nutritional guidelines which significantly emphasize carbohydrates, to the inherent waste of the federal program, demonstrated by study to be approximately 30%, due, per studies, to the inherent lack of emphasis on palatability and desirability of the food under USDA guidelines. Per the data we received, “food insecurity” is defined simply as not having enough of the specific foods one wants to eat. When dealing with children it is tough to say what constitutes a lack of specifically preferred foods. This is in sharp contrast “food insufficiency,” which purports to measure if students do not have enough food to eat, period, but for which we were not provided with any data. The minority would very much like to explore this data before authorizing the expenditure of substantial taxpayer funds.

The question being adoption of the majority committee report of Ought to Pass.

Rep. Belcher spoke against.

Rep. Hall spoke in favor and requested a roll call; sufficiently seconded.

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Harvey, Cathryn
Germana, Nicholas
Parshall, Lucius
Weber, Lucy

Fox, Dru
Jones, Philip
Schapiro, Joe

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Noël, Henry

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Stavis, Laurel

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Massimilla, Linda
Stringham, Jerry

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Beaulieu, Jane
Bradley, Amy
Ford, Damond
Dutzy, Sherry
Gibbons, Candace
Hamer, Heidi
Jack, Martin
Foxx, Loren
Leishman, Peter
Murray, Megan
McGhee, Kat
Nutter-Upham, Frances
Plamondon, Marc
Rombeau, Catherine
Seibert, Christine
Telerski, Laura
Dolan, William

Nutting-Wong, Allison
Booras, Efsthia
Calabro, Karen
Darby, Will
Elberger, Susan
Goley, Jeffrey
Harriott-Gathright, Linda
Judy, Jean
Lanza, Judi
Lloyd, Christal
Perez, Maria
Ming, Ben
O'Brien, Michael
Preece, David
Rung, Rosemarie
Sofikitis, Catherine
Tellez, Trinidad
Thomas, Wendy

Baroody, Benjamin
Bouchard, Donald
Chretien, Jacqueline
Devine, Shelley
Davis, Fred
Gregg, Alicia
Heath, Mary
Smith, Juliet
Leapley, Nicole
Long, Patrick
MacKenzie, Mark
Morton, Jennifer
Pedersen, Michael
Newman, Ray
Ryan, Linda
Spier, Carry
Vail, Suzanne
Wheeler, Jonah

Beauchemin, Paige
Bouldin, Amanda
Cornell, Patricia
DiSilvestro, Linda
Freitas, Mary
Grill, Jessica
Infantine, William
Juris, Louis
LeClerc, Daniel
Howard, Molly
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Murphy, Nancy
Petrigno, Peter
Raymond, Heather
Newman, Sue
Staub, Kathy
Veilleux, Daniel
Wilhelm, Matthew

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Turcotte, Alisson
Ebel, Karen
Hicks, Matthew
McWilliams, Rebecca
Roesener, James
Schultz, Kristina
Wolf, Dan

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Lane, Connie
Myler, Mel
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Caplan, Tony
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Soucy, Timothy

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MacKay, James
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Schuett, Dianne
Wallner, Mary Jane

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Maggiore, Jim
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Malloy, Dennis
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Simpson, Alexis

Edgar, Michael
Hamblet, Joan
Cahill, Michael
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Turer, Eric

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Meuse, David
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Horriggan, Timothy
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McLean, Mark
Panek, Sandra
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and the majority committee report failed.

Rep. Sweeney moved the minority committee report of Inexpedient to Legislate.
Rep. Cascadden requested a roll call; sufficiently seconded.

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Selig, Loren

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Howland, Allan
Smith, Marjorie
Southworth, Thomas

Rich, Cecilia
Grassie, Chuck
Kenney, Cam
Schmidt, Peter
Wall, Janet

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Howard, Heath
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Pare, Gail

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Damon, Hope

Merchant, Gary

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and the minority committee report was adopted.

HB 1419-FN, relative to prohibiting obscene or harmful sexual materials in schools. **WITHOUT RECOMMENDATION**

Statement in support of Ought to Pass with Amendment: This legislation is about materials that are harmful to minor children in schools and the ability for parents to object to them. The bill is the result of work with the Attorney General and contains three key provisions. In the criminal statutes, education is currently exempt from our obscenity laws. The bill changes that so that higher education remains exempt, but K-12 (minor children) is no longer exempt. Our Attorney General feels that it would be only the most extreme case for a criminal case to be opened for K-12 education, but that option should be available in such a case. The bill also lays out a minimum district path for a complaint process for parents who find materials they believe are harmful to minors. Complaints can proceed up to the New Hampshire State Board of Education per existing law. The final part of the bill is in the civil statutes. It specifies that the complaining parent, the Department of Education, or the Attorney General may file a complaint in civil court if a school has not adhered to the complaint process or that material complained of continues to be made available to a minor student in a manner contrary to a final determination of removal or restriction. Penalties are not less than \$1,000 for each violation. It is our duty to protect minor children from harmful materials.

Rep. Glenn Cordelli

Statement in support of Inexpedient to Legislate: This bill bans books from school libraries by restricting access to controversial materials and dictates a prescriptive specific complaint process which allows the State Board of Education to make the final decision of which materials must be removed. It contains vague and subjective language to determine what is "harmful to minors" and expands criminal liability to K-12 educators. This legislation is not needed and will intimidate educators from retaining certain items in their library collections. There are already laws in place that criminalize the dissemination of harmful materials to minors. Moreover, most schools already have policies to address how books are selected for their libraries as well as procedures to address parental complaints regarding books and media. Certified school professionals review materials to ensure that students have wide access to a diverse collection of topics. Who determines what is offensive or age-appropriate? Parents have the right to review any available material and opt their child out from anything they find objectionable. But while parents can decide what media materials their child can access, they do not have the right to determine which materials are available for other students. That is censorship. Our local school boards are elected by the residents of their school districts and are responsible for developing policies to address the needs of their community. They are, and should be, the final arbitrator for all complaints regarding curricular and instructional material, not the State Board of Education.

Rep. Peggy Balboni

Rep. Cordelli moved Ought to Pass and offered amendment (0391h).

Amendment (0391h)

Amend RSA 189:75, II as inserted by section 2 of the bill by replacing it with the following:

II. For purposes of this subdivision, material is harmful to minors when:

- (a) Taken as a whole, it predominantly appeals to the prurient, shameful, or morbid interest of minors;
- (b) The material depicts or describes nudity, sexual conduct, sexual excitement, or sadomasochistic abuse in a manner that is patently offensive to prevailing standards in the adult community with respect to what is suitable for minors; and
- (c) The material lacks serious literary, scientific, medical, artistic, or political value for minors.

The question being adoption of amendment (0391h).

Rep. Cordelli spoke in favor.

On a division vote, with 185 members having voted in the affirmative, and 188 in the negative, amendment (0391h) failed.

The question being adoption of the motion of Ought to Pass.

Rep. Bill Boyd offered floor amendment (0700h).

Floor Amendment (0700h)

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

AN ACT relative to the dissemination of obscene material by schools and institutions of higher learning.

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

1 Justifiable and Non-Commercial Private Dissemination. Amend RSA 650:4, I to read as follows:

I. Institutions or persons having scientific, [educational] **higher education**, governmental or other similar justification for possessing obscene material; or

2 Preliminary Hearing. Amend RSA 650:6, I-II to read as follows:

I. No recognized or established [school] ***institution in the university system or community college system of New Hampshire***, museum, public library or governmental agency, nor any person acting as an employee or agent of such institution, shall be arrested, charged or indicted for any violation of a provision of this chapter until such time as the material involved has first been the subject of an adversary hearing wherein such institution or person is made a defendant, and, after such material is declared by the court to be obscene matter, such institution or person continues to engage in the conduct prohibited by this chapter. The sole issue at the hearing shall be whether the material is obscene matter.

II. The adversary hearing prescribed in paragraph I of this section may be initiated only by complaint of the county attorney [or] the attorney general, ***the department of health and human services, or the department of education***. Hearing on the complaint shall be held in the superior court of the county in which the alleged violation occurs. Notice of the complaint and of the hearing shall be given by registered mail or personal service. The notice shall state the nature of the violation, the date, place and time of the hearing, and the right to present and cross-examine witnesses. In addition to the defendant, any other interested party may appear at the hearing in opposition to the complaint and may present and cross-examine witnesses. For the purposes of this paragraph, the term "interested party" includes, but is not limited to the manufacturer of the material alleged to be harmful to minors.

3 New Subdivision; Complaint Resolution Policy; Obscene or Questionable Material. Amend RSA 189 by inserting after section 74 the following new subdivision:

School Board Complaint Policy for Obscene or Questionable Material

189:75 School Board Complaint Policy for Obscene or Questionable Material.

I. Each local school board may, in accordance with this section, adopt a complaint resolution policy for its local school system to be used to address complaints submitted by parents or permanent guardians alleging that material that is in violation of RSA 650 has been provided or is currently available to a student enrolled in the local school system who is the child of such parent or permanent guardian. Such complaint resolution process shall, at a minimum, require that:

(a) Complaints be submitted in writing to the principal of the school where the student is enrolled; and

(b) Complaints shall provide a reasonably detailed description of the material that is alleged to violate RSA 650.

II. Within 7 school days of receiving a written complaint, the school principal or his or her designee review the complaint and take reasonable steps to investigate the allegations in the complaint, including, but not limited to, reviewing the material that is alleged to violate RSA 650, if it is available.

III. The school principal or his or her designee shall determine whether the material that is the subject of the complaint violates RSA 650.

IV. The school principal or his or her designee shall determine whether student access to the material that is the subject of the complaint shall be removed or restricted.

V. Within 10 school days of receiving the complaint, unless another schedule is mutually agreed to by the parent or permanent guardian and the school principal or his or her designee, the school principal or his or her designee shall confer with the parent or permanent guardian and inform him or her whether the material that is the subject of the complaint was determined to violate RSA 650, and whether student access to such material will be removed or restricted.

VI. Appeals of the school's principal's or his or her designee's determinations provided for in paragraphs IV and V of this section shall be subject to review by the assistant superintendent of schools, or his or her designee. Within 10 school days of receiving the complaint, unless another schedule is mutually agreed to by the parent or permanent guardian and the assistant superintendent of schools, or his or her designee, the assistant superintendent of schools, or his or her designee, shall confer with the parent or permanent guardian and inform him or her whether the material that is the subject of the complaint was determined to be harmful to minors, and whether student access to such material will be removed or restricted.

VII. Appeals of the assistant superintendent of schools, or his or her designee's determinations, provided for in paragraph VI of this section, shall be subject to review by the superintendent of schools. Within 10 school days of receiving the complaint, unless another schedule is mutually agreed to by the parent or permanent guardian and the superintendent of schools, the superintendent of schools shall confer with the parent or permanent guardian and inform him or her whether the material that is the subject of the complaint was determined to be harmful to minors, and whether student access to such material will be removed or restricted.

VIII. An aggrieved parent or guardian may appeal the decision of the superintendent of schools to the local school board.

4 Effective Date. This act shall take effect 30 days after its passage.

AMENDED ANALYSIS

This bill authorizes local school boards to develop a policy for responding to parental complaints of obscene material in schools.

The question being adoption of floor amendment (0700h).

Rep. Cordelli spoke against.

Rep. Bill Boyd spoke in favor.

Rep. True requested a roll call; sufficiently seconded.

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Sellers, John

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Greeson, Jeffrey
Sullivan, Jared
Morse, Corinne
Simon, Matthew

Berezhny, Lex
Coulon, Matthew
Hakken-Phillips, Mary
Ladd, Rick
Muirhead, Russell
Stavis, Laurel

Bolton, Bill
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 Walsh, Thomas

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 McWilliams, Rebecca
 Polozov, Yury
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 See, Alvin
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 Janigian, John
 Katsakiores, Phyllis
 Walsh, Lilli
 Lynn, Bob
 Maggiore, Jim
 McMahon, Charles
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 Porcelli, Susan
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 Cahill, Tim
 Tudor, Paul
 MacDonald, Wayne
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 Grote, Jaci
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 Janvrin, Jason
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 Cahill, Michael
 Malloy, Dennis
 Melvin, Charles
 Ford, Oliver
 Potucek, John
 Rafter, Hal
 Pearson, Stephen
 Summers, James
 Dolan, Tom
 Turer, Eric
 Wallace, Scott

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 Drago, Mike
 Emerick, Tracy
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 Hobson, Deb
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 Paige, Mark
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 Meuse, David
 Osborne, Jason
 Pratt, Kevin
 Reynolds, Ned
 Simpson, Alexis
 Sweeney, Joe
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 Verville, Kevin
 Ward, Gerald

Brouillard, Jacob
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 Dunn, Ron
 Gilman, Julie
 Harb, Robert
 Nelson, Jodi
 Perez, Kristine
 Kuttat, Katelyn
 Lundgren, David
 Pearson, Mark
 McDonnell, Valerie
 Muns, Chris
 Phillips, Emily
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 Read, Ellen
 Soti, Julius
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and floor amendment (0700h) failed.

Rep. Crawford voted Yea and intended to vote Nay.

The question now being adoption of the motion of Ought to Pass.

Rep. Cordelli spoke in favor.

OBJECTION

An objection was raised to Rep. Cordelli reading of a paper or document, raised by Rep. Weber.

The question being shall the member be allowed to continue?

Rep. Roy requested a roll call; sufficiently seconded.

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Bean, Harry
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Knab, Allison
Manos, Zoe
Raynolds, Ned
Ward, Gerald

Gilman, Julie
Hamblet, Joan
Cahill, Michael
Meuse, David
Simpson, Alexis

Grossman, Gaby
Haskins, Linda
Paige, Mark
O'Neil, Candice
Turer, Eric

STRAFFORD

Bay, Luz
Conlin, Bill
Horrihan, Timothy
Levesque, Cassandra
Southworth, Thomas

Bixby, Peter
Fitzpatrick, Daniel
Howland, Allan
Schmidt, Peter
Wall, Janet

Rich, Cecilia
Grassie, Chuck
Kenney, Cam
Pare, Gail

Cannon, Gerri
Howard, Heath
LaMontagne, Jessica
Selig, Loren

SULLIVAN

Sullivan, Brian
Palmer, William

Cloutier, John
Tanner, Linda

Damon, Hope

Merchant, Gary

and the member was allowed to continue.

The question being adoption of the motion of Ought to Pass.

Rep. Cordelli spoke in favor and yielded to questions.

MOTION TO LAY ON THE TABLE

Rep. Myler moved that **HB 1419-FN**, relative to prohibiting obscene or harmful sexual materials in schools, be laid on the table.

Rep. Sweeney requested a roll call; sufficiently seconded.

YEAS 192 - NAYS 181**YEAS - 192****BELKNAP**

Bordes, Mike

Huot, David

St. Clair, Charlie

CARROLL

Buco, Thomas
Woodcock, Stephen

Burroughs, Anita

Paige, David

McAleer, Chris

CHESHIRE

Abbott, Michael
Eaton, Daniel
Jones, Philip
Schapiro, Joe

Ames, Richard
Faulkner, Barry
Monteil, Renee
Thackston, Dick

Harvey, Cathryn
Germana, Nicholas
Newell, Jodi
Toll, Amanda

Fox, Dru
Hunt, John
Parshall, Lucius
Weber, Lucy

COOS

Cascadden, Corinne

Kelley, Eamon

Noël, Henry

GRAFTON

Almy, Susan
Fellows, Sallie
Murphy, James
Morse, Corinne
Sykes, George

Baldwin, Heather
Fracht, David
Sullivan, Jared
Muirhead, Russell

Bolton, Bill
Hakken-Phillips, Mary
Lovett, Peter
Stavis, Laurel

Cormen, Thomas
Hoyt, Tommy
Massimilla, Linda
Stringham, Jerry

HILLSBOROUGH

Murray, Aissandra
Beaulieu, Jane
Bradley, Amy
Darby, Will
Elberger, Susan
Goley, Jeffrey
Harriott-Gathright, Linda
Smith, Juliet
Leapley, Nicole
Long, Patrick
MacKenzie, Mark
Morton, Jennifer
Pedersen, Michael
Newman, Ray
Ryan, Linda

Nutting-Wong, Allison
Booras, Efsthia
Calabro, Karen
Devine, Shelley
Davis, Fred
Gregg, Alicia
Heath, Mary
Juris, Louis
LeClerc, Daniel
Howard, Molly
Mangipudi, Latha
Murphy, Nancy
Petrigno, Peter
Raymond, Heather
Newman, Sue

Baroody, Benjamin
Bouchard, Donald
Chretien, Jacqueline
DiSilvestro, Linda
Freitas, Mary
Grill, Jessica
Jack, Martin
Foxy, Loren
Leishman, Peter
Murray, Megan
McGhee, Kat
Nutter-Upham, Frances
Plamondon, Marc
Rombeau, Catherine
Seibert, Christine

Beauchemin, Paige
Bouldin, Amanda
Cornell, Patricia
Dutzy, Sherry
Gibbons, Candace
Hamer, Heidi
Jeudy, Jean
Lanza, Judi
Lloyd, Christal
Perez, Maria
Ming, Ben
O'Brien, Michael
Preece, David
Rung, Rosemarie
Sofikitis, Catherine

Spier, Carry
Vail, Suzanne
Wheeler, Jonah

Staub, Kathy
Veilleux, Daniel
Wilhelm, Matthew

Telerski, Laura
Dolan, William

Tellez, Trinidad
Thomas, Wendy

MERRIMACK

Turcotte, Alisson
Ebel, Karen
Hicks, Matthew
McWilliams, Rebecca
Roesener, James
Schultz, Kristina
Wolf, Dan

Brennan, Angela
Gallager, Eric
Lane, Connie
Myler, Mel
Gould, Sherry
Shurtleff, Steve

Caplan, Tony
Gibbs, Merryl
Luneau, David
Payeur, Stephanie
Schamberg, Thomas
Soucy, Timothy

Carey, Lorrie
Hall, Muriel
MacKay, James
Richards, Beth
Schuett, Dianne
Wallner, Mary Jane

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Grossman, Gaby
Haskins, Linda
Paige, Mark
Meuse, David
Rafter, Hal
Turer, Eric

DiLorenzo, Charlotte
Grote, Jaci
Murray, Kate
Maggiore, Jim
Muns, Chris
Raynolds, Ned
Vallone, Mark

Edgar, Michael
Guthrie, Joseph
Knab, Allison
Malloy, Dennis
O'Neil, Candice
Read, Ellen
Ward, Gerald

Gilman, Julie
Hamblet, Joan
Cahill, Michael
Manos, Zoe
Popovici-Muller, Daniel
Simpson, Alexis

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Pare, Gail

Bickford, David
Conlin, Bill
Horrigan, Timothy
Levesque, Cassandra
Selig, Loren

Bixby, Peter
Fitzpatrick, Daniel
Howland, Allan
Smith, Marjorie
Southworth, Thomas

Rich, Cecilia
Grassie, Chuck
Kenney, Cam
Schmidt, Peter
Wall, Janet

SULLIVAN

Sullivan, Brian
Palmer, William

Cloutier, John
Tanner, Linda

Damon, Hope

Merchant, Gary

NAYS - 181

BELKNAP

Bean, Harry
Dumais, Russell
Ploszaj, Tom

Bogert, Steven
Harvey-Bolia, Juliet
Beaudoin, Richard

Coker, Matthew
McCarter, Nikki
Terry, Paul

Comtois, Barbara
Nagel, David
Varney, Peter

CARROLL

Avellani, Lino
Crawford, Karel
Peternel, Katy

Belcher, Mike
MacDonald, John
Brown, Richard

Cordelli, Glenn
Smith, Jonathan

Costable, Michael
McConkey, Mark

CHESHIRE

Qualey, James

Rhodes, Jennifer

Santonastaso, Matthew

COOS

Davis, Arnold
King, Seth

Durkin, Sean
Tierney, James

Murphy, Michael

Ouellet, Mike

GRAFTON

Berezhny, Lex
Ladd, Rick

Brown, Carroll
Rochefort, David

Coulon, Matthew
Sellers, John

Greeson, Jeffrey
Simon, Matthew

HILLSBOROUGH

Lekas, Alicia
Boyd, Bill
Colcombe, Riché
Kelley, Diane
Gagne, Larry
Kennedy, Stephen
Mazur, Lisa
Noble, Kristin
Plett, Fred
Reid, Karen
Sirois, Shane
Ulery, Jordan

Abare, Kimberly
King, Bill
Corcoran, Travis
Erf, Keith
Gorski, Ted
Kofalt, Jim
McGough, Tim
Notter, Jeanine
Post, Lisa
Renzullo, Andrew
Lekas, Tony
Wherry, Robert

Alexander, Joe
Berry, Ross
Creighton, Jim
Fedolff, Jim
Healey, Robert
Lascelles, Richard
McLean, Mark
Pank, Sandra
Proulx, Mark
Seidel, Sheila
Mannion, Tom

Ammon, Keith
Boehm, Ralph
Cushman, Leah
Griffin, Gerald
Infantine, William
Lewicke, John
Mooney, Maureen
Pauer, Diane
Prout, Andrew
Sheehan, Vanessa
Tenczar, Jeffrey

MERRIMACK

Andrus, Louise
Cambrils, Jose

Aures, Cyril
McGuire, Dan

Aylward, Deborah
Gerhard, Jason

McGuire, Carol
Hill, Gregory

Hoell, J.R.
Polozov, Yuri
Walsh, Thomas

Leavitt, John
Boyd, Stephen
Testerman, Dave

Mason, James
Seaworth, Brian
Wood, Clayton

Moffett, Michael
See, Alvin

ROCKINGHAM

Ball, Lorie
Thomas, Douglas
Drago, Mike
Harb, Robert
Janigian, John
Khan, Aboul
Love, David
McDonnell, Valerie
Osborne, Jason
Pratt, Kevin
Pearson, Stephen
Sweeney, Joe
Tripp, Richard
Vose, Michael
Yokela, Josh

Bernardy, JD
DeSimone, Debra
Dunn, Ron
Harley, Tina
Janvrin, Jason
Kuttab, Katelyn
Lundgren, David
McMahon, Charles
Phillips, Emily
Prudhomme-O'Brien, Katherine
Soti, Julius
Sytek, John
True, Chris
MacDonald, Wayne

Brouillard, Jacob
Donnelly, Tanya
Edwards, Jess
Hobson, Deb
Perez, Kristine
Walsh, Lilli
Lynn, Bob
Melvin, Charles
Porcelli, Susan
Quaratiello, Arlene
Spillane, James
Cahill, Tim
Tudor, Paul
Wallace, Scott

Mannion, Dennis
Doucette, Fred
Emerick, Tracy
Nelson, Jodi
Katsakiores, Phyllis
Layon, Erica
Pearson, Mark
Ford, Oliver
Potucek, John
Roy, Terry
Summers, James
Dolan, Tom
Verville, Kevin
Weyler, Kenneth

STRAFFORD

Ankarberg, Aidan
Granger, Michael
Turcotte, Len
Potenza, Kelley

Bailey, Glenn
Harrington, Michael
Newton, Clifford

Burnham, Claudine
Horgan, James
Phinney, Brandon

Connor, James
Kaczynski, Thomas
Pitre, Joseph

SULLIVAN

Aron, Judy
Spilsbury, Walter

Drye, Margaret
Stapleton, Walter

Rollins, Skip
Stone, Jonathan

Smith, Steven

and the motion was adopted.

MOTION TO PRINT DEBATE

Rep. Prout moved that the debate on **HB 1419-FN**, relative to prohibiting obscene or harmful sexual materials in schools. be printed in the Permanent Journal.

Rep. Parshall requested a roll call; sufficiently seconded.

YEAS 291 - NAYS 84

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BELKNAP

Bean, Harry
Comtois, Barbara
Ploszaj, Tom
Varney, Peter

Bogert, Steven
Dumais, Russell
Beaudoin, Richard

Bordes, Mike
Harvey-Bolia, Juliet
St. Clair, Charlie

Coker, Matthew
McCarter, Nikki
Terry, Paul

CARROLL

Avellani, Lino
Costable, Michael
McAleer, Chris

Belcher, Mike
Crawford, Karel
McConkey, Mark

Burroughs, Anita
MacDonald, John
Peternel, Katy

Cordelli, Glenn
Smith, Jonathan
Brown, Richard

CHESHIRE

Abbott, Michael
Faulkner, Barry
Qualey, James
Tatro, Bruce

Ames, Richard
Germana, Nicholas
Rhodes, Jennifer
Thackston, Dick

Harvey, Cathryn
Hunt, John
Santonastaso, Matthew
Toll, Amanda

Fox, Dru
Parshall, Lucius
Schapiro, Joe
Weber, Lucy

COOS

Davis, Arnold
Noël, Henry

Durkin, Sean
Ouellet, Mike

Kelley, Eamon
King, Seth

Murphy, Michael
Tierney, James

GRAFTON

Berezhny, Lex
Coulon, Matthew
Ladd, Rick
Muirhead, Russell
Stavis, Laurel

Bolton, Bill
Greeson, Jeffrey
Lovett, Peter
Rocheffort, David
Stringham, Jerry

Brown, Carroll
Hakken-Phillips, Mary
Massimilla, Linda
Sellers, John
Sykes, George

Cormen, Thomas
Murphy, James
Morse, Corinne
Simon, Matthew

HILLSBOROUGH

Lekas, Alicia
Ammon, Keith

Nutting-Wong, Allison
Boyd, Bill

Abare, Kimberly
King, Bill

Alexander, Joe
Baroody, Benjamin

Beauchemin, Paige
 Bouldin, Amanda
 Colcombe, Riché
 Ford, Damond
 Dutzy, Sherry
 Griffin, Gerald
 Grill, Jessica
 Jeudy, Jean
 Lascelles, Richard
 Perez, Maria
 McLean, Mark
 Notter, Jeanine
 Pedersen, Michael
 Proulx, Mark
 Renzullo, Andrew
 Seibert, Christine
 Sofikitis, Catherine
 Teterski, Laura
 Vail, Suzanne
 Wilhelm, Matthew

Beaulieu, Jane
 Bradley, Amy
 Corcoran, Travis
 Kelley, Diane
 Elberger, Susan
 Gagne, Larry
 Harriott-Gathright, Linda
 Kennedy, Stephen
 Leishman, Peter
 Mazur, Lisa
 Mooney, Maureen
 O'Brien, Michael
 Petrigno, Peter
 Prout, Andrew
 Rombeau, Catherine
 Seidel, Sheila
 Staub, Kathy
 Tellez, Trinidad
 Veilleux, Daniel

Berry, Ross
 Calabro, Karen
 Creighton, Jim
 Devine, Shelley
 Erf, Keith
 Goley, Jeffrey
 Healey, Robert
 Kofalt, Jim
 Lewicke, John
 McGhee, Kat
 Murphy, Nancy
 Panek, Sandra
 Plett, Fred
 Raymond, Heather
 Rung, Rosemarie
 Sheehan, Vanessa
 Lekas, Tony
 Tenczar, Jeffrey
 Wheeler, Jonah

Boehm, Ralph
 Chretien, Jacqueline
 Cushman, Leah
 DiSilvestro, Linda
 Fedolfi, Jim
 Gorski, Ted
 Infantine, William
 Foxx, Loren
 Long, Patrick
 McGough, Tim
 Noble, Kristin
 Pauer, Diane
 Post, Lisa
 Reid, Karen
 Newman, Sue
 Sirois, Shane
 Mannion, Tom
 Ulery, Jordan
 Wherry, Robert

Andrus, Louise
 Caplan, Tony
 Gallager, Eric
 Hoell, J.R.
 Mason, James
 Richards, Beth
 See, Alvin
 Testerman, Dave

Aures, Cyril
 Carey, Lorrie
 Gerhard, Jason
 Lane, Connie
 McWilliams, Rebecca
 Boyd, Stephen
 Shurtleff, Steve
 Wolf, Dan

MERRIMACK

Aylward, Deborah
 McGuire, Dan
 Hicks, Matthew
 Leavitt, John
 Moffett, Michael
 Schultz, Kristina
 Soucy, Timothy
 Wood, Clayton

Cambrils, Jose
 Ebel, Karen
 Hill, Gregory
 MacKay, James
 Polozov, Yury
 Seaworth, Brian
 Walsh, Thomas

ROCKINGHAM

Ball, Lorie
 Thomas, Douglas
 Doucette, Fred
 Edwards, Jess
 Grote, Jaci
 Hobson, Deb
 Murray, Kate
 Knab, Allison
 Love, David
 Paige, Mark
 McMahon, Charles
 O'Neil, Candice
 Popovici-Muller, Daniel
 Prudhomme-O'Brien, Katherine
 Pearson, Stephen
 Summers, James
 Dolan, Tom
 Vallone, Mark
 Wallace, Scott

Bernardy, JD
 DeSimone, Debra
 Drago, Mike
 Emerick, Tracy
 Guthrie, Joseph
 Nelson, Jodi
 Perez, Kristine
 Kuttub, Katelyn
 Lundgren, David
 Pearson, Mark
 Melvin, Charles
 Ford, Oliver
 Porcelli, Susan
 Quaratiello, Arlene
 Simpson, Alexis
 Sweeney, Joe
 Tripp, Richard
 Verville, Kevin
 Ward, Gerald

Brouillard, Jacob
 DiLorenzo, Charlotte
 Dunn, Ron
 Gilman, Julie
 Harb, Robert
 Janigian, John
 Katsakiores, Phyllis
 Walsh, Lilli
 Lynn, Bob
 Maggiore, Jim
 Meuse, David
 Osborne, Jason
 Potucek, John
 Rafter, Hal
 Soti, Julius
 Sytek, John
 True, Chris
 Vose, Michael
 Weyler, Kenneth

Mannion, Dennis
 Donnelly, Tanya
 Edgar, Michael
 Grossman, Gaby
 Harley, Tina
 Janvrin, Jason
 Khan, Aboul
 Layon, Erica
 Cahill, Michael
 McDonnell, Valerie
 Muns, Chris
 Phillips, Emily
 Pratt, Kevin
 Roy, Terry
 Spillane, James
 Cahill, Tim
 Tudor, Paul
 MacDonald, Wayne
 Yokela, Josh

STRAFFORD

Ankarberg, Aidan
 Rich, Cecilia
 Howard, Heath
 Kenney, Cam
 Phinney, Brandon

Bailey, Glenn
 Connor, James
 Harrington, Michael
 Turcotte, Len
 Pitre, Joseph

Bickford, David
 Fitzpatrick, Daniel
 Horgan, James
 Smith, Marjorie
 Potenza, Kelley

Burnham, Claudine
 Granger, Michael
 Kaczynski, Thomas
 Newton, Clifford
 Wall, Janet

Aron, Judy
 Merchant, Gary
 Spilsbury, Walter

Sullivan, Brian
 Palmer, William
 Stapleton, Walter

Cloutier, John
 Rollins, Skip
 Stone, Jonathan

Drye, Margaret
 Smith, Steven

SULLIVAN

NAYS - 84

BELKNAP

CARROLL

Huot, David

Nagel, David

Buco, Thomas

Paige, David

Woodcock, Stephen

CHESHIRE

Eaton, Daniel

Jones, Philip

Monteil, Renee

Newell, Jodi

COOS

Cascadden, Corinne

GRAFTONAlmy, Susan
Hoyt, TommyBaldwin, Heather
Sullivan, Jared

Fellows, Sallie

Fracht, David

HILLSBOROUGHMurray, Aissandra
Darby, Will
Gregg, Alicia
Smith, Juliet
LeClerc, Daniel
MacKenzie, Mark
Nutter-Upham, Frances
Ryan, LindaBooras, Efsthathia
Davis, Fred
Hamer, Heidi
Juris, Louis
Lloyd, Christal
Mangipudi, Latha
Plamondon, Marc
Spier, CarryBouchard, Donald
Freitas, Mary
Heath, Mary
Lanza, Judi
Howard, Molly
Ming, Ben
Preece, David
Dolan, WilliamCornell, Patricia
Gibbons, Candace
Jack, Martin
Leapley, Nicole
Murray, Megan
Morton, Jennifer
Newman, Ray
Thomas, Wendy**MERRIMACK**Turcotte, Alisson
Hall, Muriel
Roesener, James
Wallner, Mary JaneBrennan, Angela
Luneau, David
Gould, SherryMcGuire, Carol
Myler, Mel
Schamberg, ThomasGibbs, Merryl
Payeur, Stephanie
Schuett, Dianne**ROCKINGHAM**Balboni, Peggy
Manos, ZoeHamblet, Joan
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Read, EllenMalloy, Dennis
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Horrigan, Timothy
Schmidt, PeterCannon, Gerri
Howland, Allan
Pare, GailConlin, Bill
LaMontagne, Jessica
Selig, Loren**SULLIVAN**

Damon, Hope

Tanner, Linda

and the motion was adopted.

DEBATE ON HB 1419-FN

Speaker Packard: Rep. Cordelli moves Ought to Pass and offers floor amendment (0391h) printed in House Record No. 6, page 34. Are you ready for the question on the amendment? All those in favor, say Aye; those opposed, Nay. A division has been called. Members take your seats. The House will be in order. This will be a division vote for confirmation only. This is on amendment (0391h). If you are in favor, you'll press the green button. If you are opposed, you'll press the red button. Voting stations will be open for 30 seconds. Have all members present had an opportunity to vote? The House will attend to the state of the vote. 185 voting Yea, 188 voting Nay, the amendment fails. The bill is on second reading and open to further amendment. Rep. Boyd offers floor amendment (0700h). Rep. Cordelli is going to speak against it. Rep. Cordelli.

Representative Cordelli: Thank you, Mister Speaker. This amendment basically replaces the bill. It has been said that a law without enforcement is just a suggestion. This amendment makes this bill a suggestion. It turns its back on parents, parents who have found inappropriate materials, age-inappropriate educational materials in their schools and want redress. It removes the ability for the State Board of Education to be part of the appeal process for a parent and one of the duties of the State Board of Education is to hear appeals from parents when there is a dispute with their local district. We cannot ignore the age-inappropriate materials, some of which I understand some people passed out today outside. Parents are paying attention to what we do here today. We need to have the appeals process and the enforcement mechanisms in place that were worked out with the attorney general's office. We can't gut this bill. I ask you to vote red on this floor amendment. If this floor amendment passes, I'll vote against my own bill.

Speaker Packard: The Chair recognizes Rep. Boyd:

Representative Bill Boyd: Thank you, Mister Speaker. To you and my esteemed colleagues of the New Hampshire General Court, my floor amendment provides an alternative approach to tackling obscenity within our public schools. First, it is enabling. School districts have the choice to opt in or not. Lastly, it's a standardized 4-prong approach. An appeals process for aggrieved parents to pursue beginning with the school principal to the assistant superintendent to the school superintendent and ultimately ending with the local school board being the final arbiter of the appeal. Keeping these decisions at the local level holds local decision makers

accountable for their actions on questions of obscenity. Placing these decisions with an unelected bureaucratic State Board of Education would politicize decision making with no accountability to these decision makers as well. Creating a local process for school districts to fall on questions of obscenity provides a sensible solution to addressing a societal challenge that is impacting today's youth. Please join me by pressing the green button to move this amendment forward. Mister Speaker, I ask for a division vote. Thank you.

Speaker Packard: The motion before us is the Boyd floor amendment (0700h). He has asked for a division vote. Members take your seats. Who requests a roll call? Rep. True requests a roll call. Is that sufficiently seconded? It is sufficiently seconded. This will be a roll call vote. The motion before us is the Boyd floor amendment (0700h). It is in your seat pockets. This is a roll call vote. If you are in favor, you'll press the green button. If you are opposed, you'll press the red button. Voting stations will be open for 30 seconds. Have all members present had the opportunity to vote? The House will attend to the state of the vote. 17 voting Yea, 358 voting Nay, the floor amendment fails. We are back to Ought to Pass on HB 1419. The Chair recognizes Rep. Cordelli.

Representative Cordelli: Thank you, Mister Speaker. The opponents of this bill will tell you this bill is about banning books. That's false. It is about our "sexualized k-12 education." It is about materials in our schools that are harmful to minors. It is about age-inappropriate educational materials. Educational materials. This bill is the result of working with for hours with our attorney general and his staff. A recent Rasmussen poll found that 69% of voters believe books containing explicit sexual depictions of sex acts should not be present in public schools. The majority opposed to sexually explicit books rose to 79% for middle schools and 85% for elementary schools. Currently, our state criminal statutes on obscenity exempt education. You heard that correctly, education is exempt. This bill removes K-12 education from that exemption, but it is doubtful that any criminal charges will ever be brought in relation to K-12 education charges. This bill also establishes a minimum process, minimum process, by which parents can bring inappropriate materials to the attention of their principal and their school board. If that complaint is not heard and addressed, they can appeal that to the State Board of Education. It is a process that is already in statute under the duties of the State Board of Education to hear the complaints of parents if they have a complaint against their local school board. This bill would also provide for civil action by a parent under two conditions. 1) the district did not follow the complaint process or, 2) there was a determination that the material should be moved or removed but the school did not act on it. Under only those two circumstances is there a civil process. What materials are we talking about? We are talking about possibly sexually explicit materials, books about suicide, about cutting yourself. With people talking about the mental health crisis in schools is this what we want available to our children? We are talking about books but also a common application on many school computers that describe things such as incest with the daughter who becomes a prostitute, sex between adults, including teachers, and minor girls getting raped and drug use and violence. Let me read you some excerpts. For anyone watching at home, I will pause for a second so you can turn down the volume if you wish. I will read just two excerpts. First, **Speaker Packard:** I'm not sure what you are going to say, but if it is graphic in any way, you can't say it. The House will be in order.

Representative Cordelli: I'll read just two. *But just think about it for a second – apparently straight cis people lose their virginity when a penis goes into a vagina. So, what happens if a penis isn't involved?*

Speaker Packard: The Representative will please keep it in the proper perspective.

Representative Cordelli: This is from material in a middle school. *Middle school:*

I open my mouth to breathe, to scream and his hand covers it. In my head, my voice is as clear as a bell: "NO DON'T WANT TO!" But I can't spit it out. I'm trying to remember how we got on the ground and where the moon went and wham! Shirt up, shorts down, and the ground smells wet and dark and NO!—I'm not really here.

Speaker Packard: Representative Cordelli, I'm asking you to keep it civil without getting into graphics. I know this is a very sensitive situation for both sides. I am trying to make sure that nothing too bad gets spoken. At the same time, the member has a right to speak so let's all keep it in proper perspective. If I feel any member is going too far, I will speak to them, but every member has a right to speak.

Representative Cordelli: Thank you, Mister Speaker. I'll continue with this passage from a book in a middle school. *I'm not really here. I'm definitely back at Rachel's, crimping my hair and gluing on fake nails, and he smells like beer and mean, and he hurts me hurts me hurts me and gets up and zips his jeans and smiles.* Are these educational materials? Thank you.

Speaker Packard: Everybody stop it now. The House will be in order. The member has a right to speak. I've corrected him twice and I will correct him again if I have to. Speak your point of order.

Representative Weber: Mister Speaker, do we not have a rule that says that when a member objects to a reading from a paper, that the member must suspend unless the House votes to let them continue?

Speaker Packard: Yes, we do.

Representative Weber: I object to the reading of the material that the gentleman is reading.

Speaker Packard: We will now vote on whether the member can continue. A roll call has been requested. It has been seconded. The House will be in order. Members take your seats. We are in the voting mode. The motion before us is whether Representative Cordelli can continue speaking. This is going to be a roll call vote. Simple majority. The Chair recognizes Rep. Weber for a parliamentary inquiry.

Representative Weber: Mister Speaker, if I know that we all understand the point that the member is trying to make. And if we know that the way in which he was making it was offensive to many and triggering to some that are victims of violence or abuse, would I now vote. I now need to ask which way, Mister Speaker. Could you restate the question for me? Was it notwithstanding?

Speaker Packard: Shall the member continue?

Representative Weber: Would I now and this is why we do parliamentary inquiries, press red on the question?

Speaker Packard: The Chair recognizes Rep. Sweeney for a parliamentary inquiry.

Representative Sweeney: Thank you, Mister Speaker. If I know this offensive material is already available to countless New Hampshire public school students, would I not vote green now to allow the member to continue and enlighten the House of Representatives to what material is available? Thank you.

Speaker Packard: The motion before us is shall the member continue speaking. This is a roll call vote. If you are in favor, you'll press the green button. If you are opposed, you'll press red button. Voting stations will be open for 30 seconds. Have all members present had an opportunity to vote? The House will attend to the state of the vote? 201 voting Yea, 137 voting Nay, the member may continue. For what reason does the member rise?

Representative Myler: I wish to make a motion, Sir.

Speaker Packard: He is in the middle of his speech right now.

Representative Cordelli: I'm actually passed the middle, but that's alright. Materials like these are available in many schools including Bedford HS, Dover MS and HS, Exeter schools and many schools including the Governor Wentworth School District on the Sora app. We need to focus on academic achievement and knowledge. The state average for English Language arts in the 5th grade is just over 50%. For math it is below 40%. Let's be honest. These explicit sexual and age-inappropriate materials have no place in our schools. I will repeat that this is not about banning books. It is about making sure that your children have access to age-appropriate educational materials. Period.

Speaker Packard: Does the member yield to questions?

Representative Cordelli: Yes.

Speaker Packard: The member yields. Rep. Verville, you may inquire.

Representative Verville: Thank you, Mister Speaker. Thank you for taking the question. Do you find it acceptable that we have materials available to minor children in public schools in New Hampshire that many take offense to as being read aloud on the floor of the New Hampshire House of Representatives?

Representative Cordelli: I think many people will find it quite enlightening.

Speaker Packard: Will the member yield to further questions?

Representative Cordelli: Yes.

Speaker Packard: Rep. Love, you may inquire.

Representative Love: Thank you, Mister Speaker. Thank you, colleagues. Thank you, Representative. Would it be safe to say that vulgarity and profanity in public schools could be a driving force behind the Education Freedom Accounts?

Representative Cordelli: I'm not going to pretend to know what drives parents to have their children take Education Freedom Accounts, but certainly there are many Education Freedom Account parents that are concerned about the education in their current school and choose to pursue other options.

Speaker Packard: Does the member yield to further questions? Rep. Vose, you may inquire.

Representative Vose: Thank you for taking my question. My question is if material is inappropriate to read on the House floor, wouldn't that automatically make it inappropriate to present to K-12 students?

Representative Cordelli: If you're asking on a vote on that, I'll vote, say, vote yes.

Speaker Packard: Will the member yield to further questions? The member may inquire.

Representative Peternel: Thank you for taking my question. Do we know the impact of harmful materials on our children?

Representative Cordelli: Yeah, actually I think there are a couple of indications. There was a recent youth risk behavior survey and I believe some of the results in there could be impacted by these materials. One of the questions was the percent of females ever physically forced to sex intercourse when they did not want to. In my area, it was 19% and statewide it was 14%. Second question, females who have experienced sexual violence during the past year. In my area, it was 21% and, in the state, almost 18%. There was also a recent CDC report that said that between 2017 and 2021, teen girls who experienced sexual violence increased by 20%. I think that perhaps there are a number of factors, but could material such as these be one of them? I think so.

Speaker Packard: Does the member yield to further questions? The member yields.

Representative Edwards: Thank you, Mister Speaker. Thank you for taking my question. In the cacophony I may have lost it, but in the words you were reading, did you also mean to mention the images that are available since a picture is worth a thousand words. I understand that there are some very graphic images of sexual performance in these books as well. Is that true or not?

Representative Cordelli: Yes, it is and on a number of occasions, some of those books' images were passed around in our education committee and we had members of our committee refuse to look at them. I don't know what happens in schools, but if our own members won't look at the images, I fear for our children.

Speaker Packard: Does the member yield to further questions? You may inquire.

Representative Horrigan: I thank the member for taking questions. This is maybe a more specific question that he can't answer, but in the case of teaching kids foreign languages, in particular thinking of Latin, do we, do you support them being taught to count above five because any of us that studied Latin know what the number for six is? So, do you support only limited Latin instruction when they teach about numbers zero through five or not?

Representative Cordelli: I'm sorry, I don't know Latin.

Speaker Packard: Does the member yield to further questions? Member yields.

Representative Colcombe: Thank you for taking my question. Are you aware in any of these books that these eBooks that are available, are there hyperlinks to dating sex apps such as Match.com and are there instructions on how to upload pictures and meet with people who have similar thoughts?

Representative Cordelli: I have not tried any such links, but I heard they are available.

Speaker Packard: Does the member yield to further questions? No, member does not yield. The Chair recognizes Rep. Tanner.

Representative Myler: Mister Speaker, now may I rise for a motion?

Speaker Packard: Yes, state your motion.

Representative Myler: I move to table this. Thank you.

Speaker Packard: I'm sorry. Move to table. The motion is a proper motion. The motion is to table. It is sufficiently seconded. The motion before us is to table HB 1419. This is a roll call vote. The Chair recognizes Rep. Myler for a parliamentary inquiry.

Representative Myler: Thank you, Mister Speaker. If I believe that this is an extreme and controversial bill. And if I believe that this bill will ban books and censor material and the availability of controversial material. If I believe that an individual parent has a right to select books and material that are appropriate for their children, but they cannot have that right to make for all parents. I believe that professional teachers and librarians and others should not be subject to arrest, discipline, loss of professional licenses just because they are providing material they feel is important to students to create critical thinkers. And if I believe that this is the duty of local elected school boards to create the community literacy standard that should be available to students and not have that local judgement challenged and adjudicated by the State Board of Education. And finally, Mister Speaker, if I know that a bipartisan bill, HB 1311, will be soon coming before this body and that it addresses this very topic in a constructive and bipartisan fashion, would I now press the green button to table HB 1419? Thank you, Mister Speaker.

Speaker Packard: The Chair recognizes Rep. Sweeney for a parliamentary inquiry.

Representative Sweeney: Thank you, Mister Speaker. If I know that I want to start by welcoming everyone back to the chamber. And if I further know that we seem to agree that this underlying material is offensive and may not belong in this House Chamber. And would I further know that the same material doesn't belong in our schools, would I then press the red button so that the underlying motion can be passed? Thank you.

Speaker Packard: The motion before us is to table HB 1419. This is a roll call vote. If you are in favor, you'll press the green button. If you are opposed, you'll press the red button. Voting stations will be open for 30 seconds. Have all members present had an opportunity to vote? The House will attend to the state of the vote. 192 voting Yea, 181 voting Nay, HB 1419 is laid on the table.

DEBATE ON HB 1419-FN CONTINUED

Speaker Packard: The motion is to take HB 1419 from the table. A division has been requested. Members will take their seats. This will be a division vote. The motion before us is to remove HB 1419 from the table. This is a division vote. If you are in favor, you'll press the green button. If you are opposed, you'll press the red button. Voting stations are open for 30 seconds. Have all members present had the opportunity to vote? The House will attend to the state of the vote. 308 voting Yea, 40 voting Nay. The motion now is Ought to Pass. The question is Ought to Pass. The motion before us is Ought to Pass and Rep. Rep. Harrington asked for a roll call, and it is sufficiently seconded. This will be a roll call vote. The motion before us is Ought to Pass. We had a debate, and it was cut off, so we are going back to the debate. The Chair recognizes Rep. Tanner.

Representative Tanner: Thank you, Mister Speaker. This bill, HB 1419, is about prohibiting obscene and harmful sexual materials in school. When it comes to literature and education, historically, no theme is safe from censorship. Books from serious to violent to fantasy have all been under the knife of censorship, like *To Kill a Mockingbird*, *The Diary of a Young Girl* by Anne Frank, 1984 and *Huckleberry Finn* have all been censored at one time. Certain words, phrases or selected passages of a sexual nature and especially about lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, black, indigenous and people of color are often those singled out as objectionable. It is already illegal to distribute obscene material to minors, a felony under RSA 50:2. Educators are not exempt from this law but receive an added layer of due process due to the nature of their work, which

may involve areas like sex education instruction, art and literature. Educators found guilty of distributing materials that the court has determined to be obscene are guilty of a felony. Legal issues with criminal and monetary fines should be left up to the judicial system. I want to make it perfectly clear, that educators are not exempt from the current law. HB 1419 sets up a parallel process to challenge materials at the local level that is overly prescriptive and may be unworkable. It has vague standards and arbitrary and stringent deadlines. The vague standards required in this process are determined by whether the identified materials, “predominantly appeal to a prurient interest,” and “lack serious literary, scientific, medical, artistic or political value.” The amount of time it takes, especially for high volumes of simultaneous challenges, often results in multiple school personnel reading the book or material in its entirety. Teachers and staff do this using additional time on top of their normally assigned school duties. Timelines will be difficult, at best, to meet. HB 1419 makes the State Board of Education the final arbiter to judge, not the process, but the decision of, “community standards.” It is fundamental that local community standards should be determined by the locally elected school board by using the local school district policies and procedures. School boards are close to the community whose standards they are representing and directly accountable to their constituents at the ballot box. The appointed State Board of Education is not. School districts should and do have policies and procedures in place and these policies and procedures need to ensure due process to meet parents concerns in a timely manner and in a balanced way. They should preserve local control and insurance compliance with non discrimination laws. Professionally trained librarians and educators are valuable resources to help parents find interesting, informative and age-appropriate materials for their children. They work collaboratively with parents to encourage reading and discussing places, topics and ideas. Parents can remove their child from classes, course material, curriculum, books and media material at school under current law and they have the responsibility of deciding what media materials are best for their child. They have the right and the responsibility to view what their child is reading, seeing on the Internet, receiving on their cell phones or other material. Other parents might make different decisions, have different perspectives and beliefs and these decisions and choices should be equally respected. Censorship can have serious and dangerous consequences. Growing up is hard, especially today with all the outside noise and social media. Kids that are marginalized or feel different often become isolated and believe they are the only ones who feel as they do. They think that no one else is going through or experiencing what they are. They feel alone, fearful of rejection and often succumb to depression. Erasing the existence, voice and experiences of students who are lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender or questioning students, survivors of violence and abuse and black and indigenous and students of color by censoring materials in their schools and libraries, takes away their humanity, respect and self esteem. It is important to provide books and materials that open a window on the world for all students so they can see themselves in a future where they can be their authentic self. I urge you to vote against the OTP. Thank you.

Speaker Packard: The Chair recognizes Rep. Noble. I’m sorry, does the member yield to a question? No, she does not yield.

Representative Noble: Thank you, Mister Speaker. Back in 2020, the ACLU Deputy Director for Transgender Justice led the charge to ban the book, *Irreversible Damage*. He said stopping the circulation of this book and these ideas is 100% a hill I will die on. Caving to the pressure from the movement against this book, Target promptly removed it from their shelves. Amazon refused to run ads for the book’s publisher and the American Book Sellers Association apologized for their violent distribution of the book. A few years ago, the family of Dr. Seuss found themselves posthumously defending him against claims that he was racist. After significant pressure, the publisher ultimately decided to stop producing six of his books. Last week, the Congressional Weaponization Committee released what is being referred to as the Amazon files, which showed that the Biden Administration was pressuring Amazon to censor books they disapprove of. This, after we had already learned that they were colluding with big tech to censor speech they disapproved of. Now that I have presented these examples of actually book banning and the direction from which that comes, let’s focus on our public-school libraries. We’ve had several book challenges over the years, many of which do not even compare to the books now being discovered. Each time I’m shown a book, it gets worse. In a book called *Queer, a Graphic History*, there are cartoon like depictions of threesomes, bondage and sado-masochism. In a book called *Let’s Talk About It*, young readers are encouraged to visit online adult chat rooms and to watch porn. The book says a great place to research fantasies and kinks safely is on the Internet. There are tons of people in communities out there who share your interests and have all kinds of advice. The online world is also chock full of pornography. Professionals and amateurs alike sharing their sexy adventures online. It goes on to say there’s nothing wrong with enjoying some porn. It’s a fun sugary treat. The book also encourages a young reader to take and send dirty pictures, including the advice that before you start sending your naughty masterpieces around the world, take some time to get friendly with photo editing software or apps. I’m fairly certain that parents are assuming the exact opposite of this as being taught to their children. These books are in New Hampshire public high school libraries along with many others promoting sexual assault, rape, cutting, suicide, prostitution, drug and alcohol use and more. The majority of students in high school are

minors, some as young as 14. As a society, we have always protected the innocence of minors, always. Those opposed to this bill say it would violate a child's first amendment rights to restrict them from reading the sexually explicit books in their school libraries. Those opposed to this bill argue that kids need a wide variety of material. Sure, but does it have to be obscene? Would they object to the book I mentioned earlier? *Irreversible Damage* being part of a high school's collection? There is no campaign in New Hampshire to ban these books. No one has gone after Target or Amazon to stop selling them. No one is trying to stop the publishers from producing them. That would be book banning. These books are available for any parent to purchase for their child. Defense of this material reflects poorly on our public schools. The text and images would get you banned on social media for violating community standards. Parents and taxpayers being asked every year to shoulder a heavier tax burden for their schools need to be able to trust these institutions. Many districts have a reconsideration policy, but this bill would allow a neutral set of eyes to consider an appeal from parents. I urge you to support it. Mister Speaker, I request a roll call vote.

Speaker Packard: We already have a roll call. The motion before us is Ought to Pass on HB 1419. This is a roll call vote. Members take your seats. The motion before us is Ought to Pass on HB 1419. This is going to be a roll call vote. The Chair recognizes Rep. Paige for a parliamentary inquiry.

Representative David Paige: Thank you, Mister Speaker. If I look around this chamber at my colleagues of all political stripes and believe that no member of this body supports the dissemination of harmful materials to our children. But if I know that this bill creates a vague standard for defining obscenity using highly subjective determinations of materials appropriateness. And if I understand that this bill is built around a fundamental contradiction that we define the term harmful to minors based on prevailing community standards, but that our locally elected boards, who are accountable to their voters at the ballot box, no longer have the say here. Mister Speaker, if I believe that it is entirely inappropriate that a group of political appointees on the State Board of Education get to tell my community what our own community standards are. And, finally Mister Speaker, if I know that this body will have the opportunity to consider bipartisan legislation that addresses the concerns around due process for parents, raising concerns while still preserving local control, then would I press the red button so a better motion may be made? Thank you.

Speaker Packard: The Chair recognizes Rep. Quaratiello for a parliamentary inquiry.

Representative Quaratiello: Thank you, Mister Speaker. Mister Speaker, if I know that HB 1419 has been misrepresented as a book banning bill because real book banning involves the government completely suppressing material and making it unattainable by anyone anywhere, something that this bill does not do. If I know that HB 1419 employs an objective standard for identifying materials that are harmful to minors and that this legal precedent provides clear guidelines that have been used in courts for over 50 years and that this bill also includes a minimum process by which parents can object to material. If I was disturbed by the examples that have been given and the words that were just read from books currently held in public school libraries. If I know that students go to school to learn and if I believe that they learn nothing of any value from this type of material, would I now protect children's mental health from harm and press the green button? Thank you, Mister Speaker.

Speaker Packard: The motion before us is Ought to Pass on HB 1419. This is a roll call vote. If you are in favor, you'll press the green button. If you are opposed, you'll press the red button. Voting stations are open for 30 seconds. Have all members present had an opportunity to vote? The House will attend to the state of the vote. 162 voting Yea, 187 voting Nay, the motion of Ought to Pass fails. For what reason does the member rise?

Representative Myler: I'd like to move to Indefinitely Postpone, thank you, and I'd like a roll call vote.

Speaker Packard: The motion before us is Indefinitely Postpone on HB 1419. Rep. Myler has requested a roll call. Is that sufficiently seconded? It is sufficiently seconded. This will be a roll call vote. The motion before us is to Indefinitely Postpone on HB 1419. This is a roll call vote. If you are in favor, you'll press the green button. If you are opposed, you'll press the red button. Voting stations will be open for 30 seconds. Have all members present had the opportunity to vote? The House will attend to the state of the vote. 187 voting Yea, 162 voting Nay, HB 1419 is Indefinitely Postponed.

REGULAR CALENDAR CONT'D

HB 1524, relative to authorizing parents of special education children to observe in the classroom setting.
WITHOUT RECOMMENDATION

Statement in support of Ought to Pass: Parents of a special education student tend to be more involved in their child's plan of education than many parents. As a vital part of their child's individualized education program (IEP) team, parents should have reasonable opportunities to observe their child's classroom and proposed placement options. This bill requires school districts to develop policies about access and observation. These policies should not impose restrictions on observations except when necessary to protect the safety of children in the program, to protect the integrity of the program, or to protect confidentiality.

Rep. Margaret Drye

Statement in support of Inexpedient to Legislate: This bill needs further study. Though schools do arrange for parents to observe specific programs, the confidentiality of all students is of the utmost importance and

required under federal law. The Office of Special Education and Rehabilitation Services at the U.S. Department of Education under law or regulations, does not automatically entitle parents to observe their children in any current classroom or proposed placement.

Rep. Corinne Cascadden

Rep. Drye moved Ought to Pass and spoke in favor.

Rep. Cascadden spoke against.

On a division vote, with 187 members having voted in the affirmative, and 185 in the negative, the motion was adopted, and the bill was ordered to third reading.

HB 1652-FN, relative to establishing a local education freedom account program. **WITHOUT RECOMMENDATION**

Statement in support of Ought to Pass: This bill allows school districts to adopt a program for local education freedom accounts for a parent of an eligible student to receive a grant from an authorized scholarship organization to be used for qualifying expenses similar to the current state education freedom account program. This bill enables local school districts the choice to enact a local freedom account program. The process to establish the program is well documented in the legislation and requires a 3/5 majority to establish the program at the school district annual or special meeting. The local community can also discontinue the program with a similar process. The scholarship awarded a student from local funds is the amount equal to twice the amount that child would receive from state base adequacy plus any differentiated aid to which the student qualifies per state law. There are no family income caps for this program. An eligible student can not also receive a state education freedom account or tax credit scholarship. As with other education freedom programs, this locally approved program will assist students who are looking for another education option(s) fit that best meets the student's needs.

Rep. Glenn Cordelli

Statement in support of Inexpedient to Legislate: This bill enables school districts to form taxpayer-funded education freedom accounts (EFAs) and raise property taxes to pay students who do not attend their public schools. Just like with the state's EFA program, it is impossible for the program's administrator to prevent the fraudulent misuse of taxpayer money. There are no academic standards for any services or materials paid for by the program. And there are no data collected on student outcomes, academic performance, or even whether students received educational services at all. Most EFA payments go to parents as reimbursement without any ability to validate the purchase and whether the item was returned for a refund. Department of Education data show that most EFAs go to students who were not attending public schools when they entered the program. Other states considering similar voucher programs have called EFAs a subsidy for the wealthy. New Hampshire should not put this burden on local property taxpayers. While proponents of the bill will say it is just enabling legislation, voters will have to fend off petitions every year to add this burden to property taxpayers.

Rep. David Luneau

Rep. Cordelli moved Ought to Pass.

Rep. Damon spoke against.

Rep. Verville spoke in favor.

On a division vote, with 180 members having voted in the affirmative, and 192 in the negative, the motion failed.

Rep. Luneau moved Inexpedient to Legislate.

Rep. Verville requested a roll call; sufficiently seconded.

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YEAS - 194

BELKNAP

Bogert, Steven

Huot, David

Nagel, David

St. Clair, Charlie

CARROLL

Buco, Thomas
Woodcock, Stephen

Burroughs, Anita

Paige, David

McAleer, Chris

CHESHIRE

Abbott, Michael
Eaton, Daniel
Monteil, Renee
Schapiro, Joe

Ames, Richard
Faulkner, Barry
Newell, Jodi
Tatro, Bruce

Harvey, Cathryn
Germana, Nicholas
Parshall, Lucius
Toll, Amanda

Fox, Dru
Jones, Philip
Qualey, James
Weber, Lucy

COOS

Cascadden, Corinne

Kelley, Eamon

Noël, Henry

GRAFTON

Almy, Susan
Fellows, Sallie
Murphy, James
Morse, Corinne
Sykes, George

Baldwin, Heather
Fracht, David
Sullivan, Jared
Muirhead, Russell

Bolton, Bill
Hakken-Phillips, Mary
Lovett, Peter
Stavis, Laurel

Cormen, Thomas
Hoyt, Tommy
Massimilla, Linda
Stringham, Jerry

HILLSBOROUGH

Murray, Alissandra
Beaulieu, Jane
Bradley, Amy
Ford, Damond
Dutzy, Sherry
Gibbons, Candace
Hamer, Heidi
Jeudy, Jean
Lanza, Judi
Lloyd, Christal
Perez, Maria
Ming, Ben
O'Brien, Michael
Preece, David
Rung, Rosemarie
Sofikitis, Catherine
Tellez, Trinidad
Thomas, Wendy

Nutting-Wong, Allison
Booras, Efstathia
Calabro, Karen
Darby, Will
Elberger, Susan
Goley, Jeffrey
Harriott-Gathright, Linda
Smith, Juliet
Leapley, Nicole
Long, Patrick
MacKenzie, Mark
Morton, Jennifer
Pedersen, Michael
Newman, Ray
Ryan, Linda
Spier, Carry
Vail, Suzanne
Wheeler, Jonah

Baroody, Benjamin
Bouchard, Donald
Chretien, Jacqueline
Devine, Shelley
Davis, Fred
Gregg, Alicia
Heath, Mary
Juris, Louis
LeClerc, Daniel
Howard, Molly
Mangipudi, Latha
Murphy, Nancy
Petrigno, Peter
Raymond, Heather
Newman, Sue
Staub, Kathy
Veilleux, Daniel
Wilhelm, Matthew

Beauchemin, Paige
Bouldin, Amanda
Cornell, Patricia
DiSilvestro, Linda
Freitas, Mary
Grill, Jessica
Jack, Martin
Foxy, Loren
Leishman, Peter
Murray, Megan
McGhee, Kat
Nutter-Upham, Frances
Plamondon, Marc
Rombeau, Catherine
Seibert, Christine
Telerski, Laura
Dolan, William

MERRIMACK

Turcotte, Alisson
Ebel, Karen
Hicks, Matthew
McWilliams, Rebecca
Roesener, James
Schultz, Kristina
Wolf, Dan

Brennan, Angela
Gallager, Eric
Lane, Connie
Myler, Mel
Gould, Sherry
Shurtleff, Steve

Caplan, Tony
Gibbs, Merryl
Luneau, David
Payeur, Stephanie
Schamberg, Thomas
Soucy, Timothy

Carey, Lorrie
Hall, Muriel
MacKay, James
Richards, Beth
Schuett, Dianne
Wallner, Mary Jane

ROCKINGHAM

Balboni, Peggy
Grossman, Gaby
Haskins, Linda
Paige, Mark
Meuse, David
Raynolds, Ned
Vallone, Mark

DiLorenzo, Charlotte
Grote, Jaci
Murray, Kate
Maggiore, Jim
Muns, Chris
Read, Ellen
Verville, Kevin

Edgar, Michael
Guthrie, Joseph
Knab, Allison
Malloy, Dennis
O'Neil, Candice
Simpson, Alexis
Ward, Gerald

Gilman, Julie
Hamblet, Joan
Cahill, Michael
Manos, Zoe
Rafter, Hal
Turer, Eric

STRAFFORD

Bay, Luz
Cannon, Gerri
Howard, Heath
LaMontagne, Jessica
Pare, Gail

Bickford, David
Conlin, Bill
Horrigan, Timothy
Levesque, Cassandra
Selig, Loren

Bixby, Peter
Fitzpatrick, Daniel
Howland, Allan
Smith, Marjorie
Southworth, Thomas

Rich, Cecilia
Grassie, Chuck
Kenney, Cam
Schmidt, Peter
Wall, Janet

SULLIVAN

Sullivan, Brian
Palmer, William

Cloutier, John
Tanner, Linda

Damon, Hope

Merchant, Gary

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Bean, Harry
Dumais, Russell
Beaudoin, Richard

Bordes, Mike
Harvey-Bolia, Juliet
Terry, Paul

Coker, Matthew
McCarter, Nikki
Varney, Peter

Comtois, Barbara
Ploszaj, Tom

CARROLL

Avellani, Lino
MacDonald, John
Brown, Richard

Belcher, Mike
Smith, Jonathan

Cordelli, Glenn
McConkey, Mark

Costable, Michael
Pternel, Katy

CHESHIRE

Hunt, John

Rhodes, Jennifer

Santonastaso, Matthew

Thackston, Dick

COOS

Davis, Arnold
King, Seth

Durkin, Sean
Tierney, James

Murphy, Michael

Ouellet, Mike

GRAFTON

Berezhny, Lex
Ladd, Rick

Brown, Carroll
Rocheport, David

Coulon, Matthew
Sellers, John

Greeson, Jeffrey
Simon, Matthew

HILLSBOROUGH

Lekas, Alicia
Boyd, Bill
Colcombe, Riché
Kelley, Diane
Gagne, Larry
Kennedy, Stephen
Mazur, Lisa
Noble, Kristin
Plett, Fred
Reid, Karen
Sirois, Shane
Ulery, Jordan

Abare, Kimberly
King, Bill
Corcoran, Travis
Erf, Keith
Gorski, Ted
Kofalt, Jim
McGough, Tim
Notter, Jeanine
Post, Lisa
Renzullo, Andrew
Lekas, Tony
Wherry, Robert

Alexander, Joe
Berry, Ross
Creighton, Jim
Fedolfi, Jim
Healey, Robert
Lascelles, Richard
McLean, Mark
Pank, Sandra
Proulx, Mark
Seidel, Sheila
Mannion, Tom

Ammon, Keith
Boehm, Ralph
Cushman, Leah
Griffin, Gerald
Infantine, William
Lewicke, John
Mooney, Maureen
Pauer, Diane
Prout, Andrew
Sheehan, Vanessa
Tenczar, Jeffrey

MERRIMACK

Andrus, Louise
Cambriis, Jose
Hoell, J.R.
Polozov, Yury
Walsh, Thomas

Aures, Cyril
McGuire, Dan
Leavitt, John
Boyd, Stephen
Testerman, Dave

Aylward, Deborah
Gerhard, Jason
Mason, James
Seaworth, Brian
Wood, Clayton

McGuire, Carol
Hill, Gregory
Moffett, Michael
See, Alvin

ROCKINGHAM

Ball, Lorie
Thomas, Douglas
Drago, Mike
Harb, Robert
Janigian, John
Khan, Aboul
Love, David
McDonnell, Valerie
Osborne, Jason
Potucek, John
Roy, Terry
Summers, James
Tripp, Richard
MacDonald, Wayne

Bernardy, JD
DeSimone, Debra
Dunn, Ron
Harley, Tina
Janvrin, Jason
Kuttab, Katelyn
Lundgren, David
McMahon, Charles
Phillips, Emily
Pratt, Kevin
Pearson, Stephen
Sweeney, Joe
True, Chris
Wallace, Scott

Brouillard, Jacob
Donnelly, Tanya
Edwards, Jess
Hobson, Deb
Perez, Kristine
Walsh, Lilli
Lynn, Bob
Melvin, Charles
Popovici-Muller, Daniel
Prudhomme-O'Brien, Katherine
Soti, Julius
Sytek, John
Tudor, Paul
Weyler, Kenneth

Mannion, Dennis
Doucette, Fred
Emerick, Tracy
Nelson, Jodi
Katsakiores, Phyllis
Layon, Erica
Pearson, Mark
Ford, Oliver
Porcelli, Susan
Quaratiello, Arlene
Spillane, James
Cahill, Tim
Vose, Michael
Yokela, Josh

STRAFFORD

Ankarberg, Aidan
Granger, Michael
Turcotte, Len
Potenza, Kelley

Bailey, Glenn
Harrington, Michael
Newton, Clifford

Burnham, Claudine
Horgan, James
Phinney, Brandon

Connor, James
Kaczynski, Thomas
Pitre, Joseph

SULLIVAN

Aron, Judy
Spilsbury, Walter

Drye, Margaret
Stapleton, Walter

Rollins, Skip
Stone, Jonathan

Smith, Steven

and the motion was adopted.

(Rep. Steven Smith in the Chair)

REGULAR CALENDAR CONT'D

HB 1677-FN, relative to participation in education freedom accounts based on school or school district proficiency scores. **WITHOUT RECOMMENDATION**

Statement in support of Ought to Pass with Amendment: This bill, as amended, adds a new category of eligible students to the Education Freedom Account program without family income limit. Students assigned to a public school or school district whose proficiency scores in math or English language arts, or science are in the bottom 25% of schools or districts shall be eligible for an EFA. Students in a poor performing school should have the opportunity to find a better education option. Students deserve every opportunity to succeed and that is the intent of this legislation.

Rep. Glenn Cordelli

Statement in support of Inexpedient to Legislate: This bill opens eligibility to the Education Freedom Account vouchers beyond low-income students which was the original intent. It allows eligibility for any student, pub-

lic, private, or home schooling, who resides in a school district based on low district assessments. There are no guidelines, fiscal cap, or assessment reports for the Education Freedom Account vouchers that indicate this action will improve students educational experience or outcomes. Proficiency standards in this bill do not represent an average score in assessments but sets an unreasonable bar for many schools who are faced with limited resources, demographics that includes high levels of free lunch students, English as a second language, housing issues, and other social concerns.

Rep. Linda Tanner

Rep. Cordelli moved Ought to Pass and offered amendment (0389h).

Amendment (0389h)

Amend RSA 194-F:1, VI(b) as inserted by section 2 of the bill by replacing it with the following:

(b) A student who lives within the geographic boundaries of a public school or district, excluding chartered public schools authorized by the state board of education pursuant to RSA 194-B:3-a, which has an aggregate performance in the bottom 25 percent proficiency in the mathematics, reading and language arts, or science statewide assessment administered pursuant to RSA 193-C in the first or second preceding year;

AMENDED ANALYSIS

This bill extends eligibility for the education freedom account program to students who participated in the program in the preceeding year, students whose enrollment transfer requests were denied, and to students in school districts which performed at 25 percent or below in statewide assessments.

The question being adoption of amendment (0389h).

On a division vote, with 121 members having voted in the affirmative, and 246 in the negative, amendment (0389h) failed.

The question being adoption of the motion of Ought to Pass.

Rep. Tanner spoke against.

Rep. Hoell spoke in favor.

Rep. Granger requested a roll call; sufficiently seconded.

YEAS 174 - NAYS 192

YEAS - 174

BELKNAP

Bean, Harry
Harvey-Bolia, Juliet
Terry, Paul

Coker, Matthew
McCarter, Nikki
Varney, Peter

Comtois, Barbara
Ploszaj, Tom

Dumais, Russell
Beaudoin, Richard

CARROLL

Avellani, Lino
Smith, Jonathan

Belcher, Mike
McConkey, Mark

Costable, Michael
Peternel, Katy

MacDonald, John
Brown, Richard

CHESHIRE

Hunt, John
Thackston, Dick

Qualey, James

Rhodes, Jennifer

Santonastaso, Matthew

COOS

Davis, Arnold
King, Seth

Durkin, Sean
Tierney, James

Murphy, Michael

Ouellet, Mike

GRAFTON

Berezhny, Lex
Rochefort, David

Brown, Carroll
Sellers, John

Coulon, Matthew
Simon, Matthew

Greeson, Jeffrey

HILLSBOROUGH

Lekas, Alicia
Boyd, Bill
Colcombe, Riché
Kelley, Diane
Gorski, Ted
Lascelles, Richard
McLean, Mark
Panek, Sandra
Proulx, Mark
Seidel, Sheila
Mannion, Tom

Abare, Kimberly
King, Bill
Corcoran, Travis
Erf, Keith
Healey, Robert
Lewicke, John
Mooney, Maureen
Pauer, Diane
Prout, Andrew
Sheehan, Vanessa
Tenczar, Jeffrey

Alexander, Joe
Berry, Ross
Creighton, Jim
Griffin, Gerald
Kennedy, Stephen
Mazur, Lisa
Noble, Kristin
Plett, Fred
Reid, Karen
Sirois, Shane
Ulery, Jordan

Ammon, Keith
Boehm, Ralph
Cushman, Leah
Gagne, Larry
Kofalt, Jim
McGough, Tim
Notter, Jeanine
Post, Lisa
Renzullo, Andrew
Lekas, Tony
Wherry, Robert

MERRIMACK

Andrus, Louise
Cambrils, Jose
Hoell, J.R.
Polozov, Yuri
Walsh, Thomas

Aures, Cyril
McGuire, Dan
Leavitt, John
Boyd, Stephen
Wood, Clayton

Aylward, Deborah
Gerhard, Jason
Mason, James
Seaworth, Brian

McGuire, Carol
Hill, Gregory
Moffett, Michael
See, Alvin

ROCKINGHAM

Ball, Lorie
Thomas, Douglas
Drago, Mike
Harb, Robert
Janigian, John
Khan, Aboul
Love, David
McDonnell, Valerie
Osborne, Jason
Potucek, John
Roy, Terry
Summers, James
Tripp, Richard
Vose, Michael
Yokela, Josh

Bernardy, JD
DeSimone, Debra
Dunn, Ron
Harley, Tina
Janvrin, Jason
Kuttab, Katelyn
Lundgren, David
McMahon, Charles
Phillips, Emily
Pratt, Kevin
Pearson, Stephen
Sweeney, Joe
True, Chris
MacDonald, Wayne

Brouillard, Jacob
Donnelly, Tanya
Edwards, Jess
Hobson, Deb
Perez, Kristine
Walsh, Lilli
Lynn, Bob
Melvin, Charles
Popovici-Muller, Daniel
Prudhomme-O'Brien, Katherine
Soti, Julius
Sytek, John
Tudor, Paul
Wallace, Scott

Mannion, Dennis
Doucette, Fred
Emerick, Tracy
Nelson, Jodi
Katsakiores, Phyllis
Layon, Erica
Pearson, Mark
Ford, Oliver
Porcelli, Susan
Quaratiello, Arlene
Spillane, James
Cahill, Tim
Verville, Kevin
Weyler, Kenneth

STRAFFORD

Ankarberg, Aidan
Granger, Michael
Turcotte, Len
Potenza, Kelley

Bailey, Glenn
Harrington, Michael
Newton, Clifford

Burnham, Claudine
Horgan, James
Phinney, Brandon

Connor, James
Kaczynski, Thomas
Pitre, Joseph

SULLIVAN

Aron, Judy
Stapleton, Walter

Drye, Margaret
Stone, Jonathan

Rollins, Skip

Spilsbury, Walter

NAYS - 192**BELKNAP**

Bogert, Steven
St. Clair, Charlie

Bordes, Mike

Huot, David

Nagel, David

CARROLL

Buco, Thomas
Woodcock, Stephen

Burroughs, Anita

Paige, David

McAleer, Chris

CHESHIRE

Abbott, Michael
Eaton, Daniel
Monteil, Renee
Tatro, Bruce

Ames, Richard
Faulkner, Barry
Newell, Jodi
Toll, Amanda

Harvey, Cathryn
Germana, Nicholas
Parshall, Lucius
Weber, Lucy

Fox, Dru
Jones, Philip
Schapiro, Joe

COOS

Cascadden, Corinne

Kelley, Eamon

Noël, Henry

GRAFTON

Almy, Susan
Fellows, Sallie
Murphy, James
Morse, Corinne
Sykes, George

Baldwin, Heather
Fracht, David
Sullivan, Jared
Muirhead, Russell

Bolton, Bill
Hakken-Phillips, Mary
Lovett, Peter
Stavis, Laurel

Cormen, Thomas
Hoyt, Tommy
Massimilla, Linda
Stringham, Jerry

HILLSBOROUGH

Murray, Alissandra
Beaulieu, Jane
Bradley, Amy
Ford, Damond
Dutzy, Sherry
Gibbons, Candace
Harriott-Gathright, Linda
Smith, Juliet
Leapley, Nicole
Long, Patrick

Nutting-Wong, Allison
Booras, Efstathia
Calabro, Karen
Darby, Will
Elberger, Susan
Goley, Jeffrey
Heath, Mary
Juris, Louis
LeClerc, Daniel
Howard, Molly

Baroody, Benjamin
Bouchard, Donald
Chretien, Jacqueline
Devine, Shelley
Davis, Fred
Grill, Jessica
Jack, Martin
Foxx, Loren
Leishman, Peter
Murray, Megan

Beauchemin, Paige
Bouldin, Amanda
Cornell, Patricia
DiSilvestro, Linda
Freitas, Mary
Hamer, Heidi
Judy, Jean
Lanza, Judi
Lloyd, Christal
Perez, Maria

MacKenzie, Mark
Morton, Jennifer
Pedersen, Michael
Newman, Ray
Ryan, Linda
Spier, Carry
Vail, Suzanne
Wheeler, Jonah

Mangipudi, Latha
Murphy, Nancy
Petrigno, Peter
Raymond, Heather
Newman, Sue
Staub, Kathy
Veilleux, Daniel
Wilhelm, Matthew

McGhee, Kat
Nutter-Upham, Frances
Plamondon, Marc
Rombeau, Catherine
Seibert, Christine
Telerski, Laura
Dolan, William

Ming, Ben
O'Brien, Michael
Preece, David
Rung, Rosemarie
Sofikitis, Catherine
Tellez, Trinidad
Thomas, Wendy

MERRIMACK

Turcotte, Alisson
Ebel, Karen
Hicks, Matthew
McWilliams, Rebecca
Roesener, James
Schultz, Kristina
Wolf, Dan

Brennan, Angela
Gallager, Eric
Lane, Connie
Myler, Mel
Gould, Sherry
Shurtleff, Steve

Caplan, Tony
Gibbs, Merryl
Luneau, David
Payeur, Stephanie
Schamberg, Thomas
Soucy, Timothy

Carey, Lorrie
Hall, Muriel
MacKay, James
Richards, Beth
Schuett, Dianne
Wallner, Mary Jane

ROCKINGHAM

Balboni, Peggy
Grossman, Gaby
Haskins, Linda
Paige, Mark
Meuse, David
Raynolds, Ned
Vallone, Mark

DiLorenzo, Charlotte
Grote, Jaci
Murray, Kate
Maggiore, Jim
Muns, Chris
Read, Ellen
Ward, Gerald

Edgar, Michael
Guthrie, Joseph
Knab, Allison
Malloy, Dennis
O'Neil, Candice
Simpson, Alexis

Gilman, Julie
Hamblet, Joan
Cahill, Michael
Manos, Zoe
Rafter, Hal
Turer, Eric

STRAFFORD

Bay, Luz
Cannon, Gerri
Howard, Heath
LaMontagne, Jessica
Pare, Gail

Bickford, David
Conlin, Bill
Horrigan, Timothy
Levesque, Cassandra
Selig, Loren

Bixby, Peter
Fitzpatrick, Daniel
Howland, Allan
Smith, Marjorie
Southworth, Thomas

Rich, Cecilia
Grassie, Chuck
Kenney, Cam
Schmidt, Peter
Wall, Janet

SULLIVAN

Sullivan, Brian
Palmer, William

Cloutier, John
Tanner, Linda

Damon, Hope

Merchant, Gary

and the motion of Ought to Pass failed.

Rep. Myler moved Inexpedient to Legislate.

On a division vote, with 192 members having voted in the affirmative, and 174 in the negative, the motion was adopted.

MOTION TO RECONSIDER

Having voted with the prevailing side, Rep. Myler moved that the House reconsider its action whereby, on a division vote of 192-174, the House adopted the motion of Inexpedient to Legislate on **HB 1677-FN**, relative to participation in education freedom accounts based on school or school district proficiency scores.

Rep. Myler spoke against.

On a division vote, with 175 members having voted in the affirmative, and 193 in the negative, the motion failed.

MOTION TO RECONSIDER

Having voted with the prevailing side, Rep. Myler moved that the House reconsider its action whereby, on a roll call vote of 194-179, the House adopted the motion of Inexpedient to Legislate on **HB 1652-FN**, relative to establishing a local education freedom account program.

Rep. Myler spoke against.

On a division vote, with 177 members having voted in the affirmative, and 190 in the negative, the motion failed.

MOTION TO RECONSIDER

Having voted with the prevailing side, Rep. Cloutier moved that the House reconsider its action whereby, on a roll call vote of 188-187, the House adopted the minority committee report of Inexpedient to Legislate on **HB 1212-FN-L**, relative to eligibility for free school meals.

Rep. Cloutier spoke in favor.

Rep. Sweeney requested a roll call; sufficiently seconded.

YEAS 187 - NAYS 181

YEAS - 187

BELKNAP

Bordes, Mike

Huot, David

St. Clair, Charlie

CARROLL

Buco, Thomas
Woodcock, Stephen

Burroughs, Anita

Paige, David

McAleer, Chris

CHESHIRE

Abbott, Michael
Eaton, Daniel
Monteil, Renee
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Ames, Richard
Faulkner, Barry
Newell, Jodi
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Harvey, Cathryn
Germana, Nicholas
Parshall, Lucius
Weber, Lucy

Fox, Dru
Jones, Philip
Schapiro, Joe

COOS

Cascadden, Corinne

Kelley, Eamon

Noël, Henry

GRAFTON

Almy, Susan
Fellows, Sallie
Murphy, James
Morse, Corinne
Sykes, George

Baldwin, Heather
Fracht, David
Sullivan, Jared
Muirhead, Russell

Bolton, Bill
Hakken-Phillips, Mary
Lovett, Peter
Stavis, Laurel

Cormen, Thomas
Hoyt, Tommy
Massimilla, Linda
Stringham, Jerry

HILLSBOROUGH

Murray, Aissandra
Beaulieu, Jane
Bradley, Amy
Ford, Damond
Dutzy, Sherry
Gibbons, Candace
Hamer, Heidi
Judy, Jean
Lanza, Judi
Lloyd, Christal
Perez, Maria
Ming, Ben
O'Brien, Michael
Preece, David
Rung, Rosemarie
Spier, Carry
Vail, Suzanne
Wheeler, Jonah

Nutting-Wong, Allison
Booras, Efstathia
Calabro, Karen
Darby, Will
Elberger, Susan
Goley, Jeffrey
Harriott-Gathright, Linda
Smith, Juliet
Leapley, Nicole
Long, Patrick
MacKenzie, Mark
Morton, Jennifer
Pedersen, Michael
Newman, Ray
Newman, Sue
Staub, Kathy
Veilleux, Daniel
Wilhelm, Matthew

Baroody, Benjamin
Bouchard, Donald
Chretien, Jacqueline
Devine, Shelley
Davis, Fred
Gregg, Alicia
Heath, Mary
Juris, Louis
LeClerc, Daniel
Howard, Molly
Mangipudi, Latha
Murphy, Nancy
Petrigno, Peter
Raymond, Heather
Seibert, Christine
Telerski, Laura
Dolan, William

Beauchemin, Paige
Bouldin, Amanda
Cornell, Patricia
DiSilvestro, Linda
Freitas, Mary
Grill, Jessica
Jack, Martin
Foxy, Loren
Leishman, Peter
Murray, Megan
McGhee, Kat
Nutter-Upham, Frances
Plamondon, Marc
Rombeau, Catherine
Sofikitis, Catherine
Tellez, Trinidad
Thomas, Wendy

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Ebel, Karen
Hicks, Matthew
McWilliams, Rebecca
Roesener, James
Schultz, Kristina

Brennan, Angela
Gallager, Eric
Lane, Connie
Myler, Mel
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Shurtleff, Steve

Caplan, Tony
Gibbs, Merryl
Luneau, David
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Schamberg, Thomas
Soucy, Timothy

Carey, Lorrie
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Richards, Beth
Schuett, Dianne
Wallner, Mary Jane

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Murray, Kate
Maggiore, Jim
Muns, Chris
Read, Ellen
Ward, Gerald

DiLorenzo, Charlotte
Grote, Jaci
Knab, Allison
Malloy, Dennis
O'Neil, Candice
Simpson, Alexis

Edgar, Michael
Hamblet, Joan
Cahill, Michael
Manos, Zoe
Rafter, Hal
Turer, Eric

Gilman, Julie
Haskins, Linda
Paige, Mark
Meuse, David
Raynolds, Ned
Vallone, Mark

STRAFFORD

Bay, Luz
Conlin, Bill
Horriggan, Timothy
Levesque, Cassandra
Selig, Loren

Bixby, Peter
Fitzpatrick, Daniel
Howland, Allan
Smith, Marjorie
Southworth, Thomas

Rich, Cecilia
Grassie, Chuck
Kenney, Cam
Schmidt, Peter
Wall, Janet

Cannon, Gerri
Howard, Heath
LaMontagne, Jessica
Pare, Gail

SULLIVAN

Sullivan, Brian
Palmer, William

Cloutier, John
Tanner, Linda

Damon, Hope

Merchant, Gary

**NAYS - 181
BELKNAP**

Bean, Harry
Dumais, Russell
Ploszaj, Tom

Bogert, Steven
Harvey-Bolia, Juliet
Beaudoin, Richard

Coker, Matthew
McCarter, Nikki
Terry, Paul

Comtois, Barbara
Nagel, David
Varney, Peter

CARROLL

Avellani, Lino
MacDonald, John
Brown, Richard

Belcher, Mike
Smith, Jonathan

Cordelli, Glenn
McConkey, Mark

Costable, Michael
Peternel, Katy

CHESHIRE

Hunt, John
Thackston, Dick

Qualey, James

Rhodes, Jennifer

Santonastaso, Matthew

COOS

Davis, Arnold
King, Seth

Durkin, Sean
Tierney, James

Murphy, Michael

Ouellet, Mike

GRAFTON

Berezhny, Lex
Ladd, Rick

Brown, Carroll
Rocheftort, David

Coulon, Matthew
Sellers, John

Greeson, Jeffrey
Simon, Matthew

HILLSBOROUGH

Lekas, Alicia
Boyd, Bill
Colcombe, Riché
Kelley, Diane
Gagne, Larry
Kofalt, Jim
McLean, Mark
Panek, Sandra
Proulx, Mark
Ryan, Linda
Lekas, Tony
Wherry, Robert

Abare, Kimberly
King, Bill
Corcoran, Travis
Erf, Keith
Gorski, Ted
Lewicke, John
Mooney, Maureen
Pauer, Diane
Prout, Andrew
Seidel, Sheila
Mannion, Tom

Alexander, Joe
Berry, Ross
Creighton, Jim
Fedolfi, Jim
Healey, Robert
Mazur, Lisa
Noble, Kristin
Plett, Fred
Reid, Karen
Sheehan, Vanessa
Tenczar, Jeffrey

Ammon, Keith
Boehm, Ralph
Cushman, Leah
Griffin, Gerald
Kennedy, Stephen
McGough, Tim
Notter, Jeanine
Post, Lisa
Renzullo, Andrew
Sirois, Shane
Ulery, Jordan

MERRIMACK

Andrus, Louise
Cambriels, Jose
Hoell, J.R.
Polozov, Yuri
Walsh, Thomas

Aures, Cyril
McGuire, Dan
Leavitt, John
Boyd, Stephen
Wood, Clayton

Aylward, Deborah
Gerhard, Jason
Mason, James
Seaworth, Brian

McGuire, Carol
Hill, Gregory
Moffett, Michael
See, Alvin

ROCKINGHAM

Ball, Lorie
Thomas, Douglas
Drago, Mike
Guthrie, Joseph
Nelson, Jodi
Katsakiores, Phyllis
Layon, Erica
Pearson, Mark
Ford, Oliver
Porcelli, Susan
Quaratiello, Arlene
Spillane, James
Cahill, Tim
Verville, Kevin
Weyler, Kenneth

Bernardy, JD
DeSimone, Debra
Dunn, Ron
Harb, Robert
Janigian, John
Khan, Aboul
Love, David
McDonnell, Valerie
Osborne, Jason
Potucek, John
Roy, Terry
Summers, James
Tripp, Richard
Vose, Michael
Yokela, Josh

Brouillard, Jacob
Donnelly, Tanya
Edwards, Jess
Harley, Tina
Janvrin, Jason
Kuttab, Katelyn
Lundgren, David
McMahon, Charles
Phillips, Emily
Pratt, Kevin
Pearson, Stephen
Sweeney, Joe
True, Chris
MacDonald, Wayne

Mannion, Dennis
Doucette, Fred
Emerick, Tracy
Hobson, Deb
Perez, Kristine
Walsh, Lilli
Lynn, Bob
Melvin, Charles
Popovici-Muller, Daniel
Prudhomme-O'Brien, Katherine
Soti, Julius
Sytek, John
Tudor, Paul
Wallace, Scott

STRAFFORD

Ankarberg, Aidan
Connor, James
Kaczynski, Thomas
Pitre, Joseph

Bailey, Glenn
Granger, Michael
Turcotte, Len
Potenza, Kelley

Bickford, David
Harrington, Michael
Newton, Clifford

Burnham, Claudine
Horgan, James
Phinney, Brandon

SULLIVAN

Aron, Judy
Stapleton, Walter

Drye, Margaret
Stone, Jonathan

Rollins, Skip

Spilsbury, Walter

and the motion was adopted.

The question being adoption of the motion of Inexpedient to Legislate.

On a division vote, with 181 members having voted in the affirmative, and 187 in the negative, the motion of Inexpedient to Legislate failed.

MOTON TO INDEFINITELY POSTPONE

Rep. Sweeney moved that **HB 1212-FN-L**, relative to eligibility for free school meals, be Indefinitely Postponed. On a division vote, with 182 members having voted in the affirmative, and 186 in the negative, the motion failed.

MOTION TO RECONSIDER

Having voted with the prevailing side, Rep. Jared Sullivan moved that the House reconsider its action whereby, on a roll call vote of 187-188, the House failed to adopt the majority committee report of Ought to Pass on **HB 1212-FN-L**, relative to eligibility for free school meals.

Rep. Jared Sullivan spoke in favor.

On a division vote, with 188 members having voted in the affirmative, and 180 in the negative, the motion was adopted.

The question now being adoption of the majority committee report of Ought to Pass.

Rep. Yokela requested a roll call; sufficiently seconded.

YEAS 193 - NAYS 175**YEAS - 193****BELKNAP**

Bogert, Steven
St. Clair, Charlie

Bordes, Mike

Coker, Matthew

Huot, David

CARROLL

Buco, Thomas
Woodcock, Stephen

Burroughs, Anita

Paige, David

McAleer, Chris

CHESHIRE

Abbott, Michael
Eaton, Daniel
Monteil, Renee
Tatro, Bruce

Ames, Richard
Faulkner, Barry
Newell, Jodi
Toll, Amanda

Harvey, Cathryn
Germana, Nicholas
Parshall, Lucius
Weber, Lucy

Fox, Dru
Jones, Philip
Schapiro, Joe

COOS

Cascadden, Corinne

Kelley, Eamon

Noël, Henry

GRAFTON

Almy, Susan
Coulon, Matthew
Hoyt, Tommy
Massimilla, Linda
Stringham, Jerry

Baldwin, Heather
Fellows, Sallie
Murphy, James
Morse, Corinne
Sykes, George

Bolton, Bill
Fracht, David
Sullivan, Jared
Muirhead, Russell

Cormen, Thomas
Hakken-Phillips, Mary
Lovett, Peter
Stavis, Laurel

HILLSBOROUGH

Murray, Aissandra
Beauchemin, Paige
Bouldin, Amanda
Cornell, Patricia
DiSilvestro, Linda
Freitas, Mary
Grill, Jessica
Jack, Martin
Foxy, Loren
Leishman, Peter
Murray, Megan
McGhee, Kat
Nutter-Upham, Frances
Plamondon, Marc
Rombeau, Catherine
Seibert, Christine
Telerski, Laura
Dolan, William

Nutting-Wong, Allison
Beaulieu, Jane
Bradley, Amy
Ford, Damond
Dutzy, Sherry
Gibbons, Candace
Hamer, Heidi
Judy, Jean
Lanza, Judi
Lloyd, Christal
Perez, Maria
Ming, Ben
O'Brien, Michael
Preece, David
Rung, Rosemarie
Sofikitis, Catherine
Tellez, Trinidad
Thomas, Wendy

Ammon, Keith
Booras, Efstathia
Calabro, Karen
Darby, Will
Elberger, Susan
Goley, Jeffrey
Harriott-Gathright, Linda
Smith, Juliet
Leapley, Nicole
Long, Patrick
MacKenzie, Mark
Morton, Jennifer
Pedersen, Michael
Newman, Ray
Ryan, Linda
Spier, Carry
Vail, Suzanne
Wheeler, Jonah

Baroody, Benjamin
Bouchard, Donald
Chretien, Jacqueline
Devine, Shelley
Davis, Fred
Gregg, Alicia
Heath, Mary
Juris, Louis
LeClerc, Daniel
Howard, Molly
Mangipudi, Latha
Murphy, Nancy
Petrigno, Peter
Raymond, Heather
Newman, Sue
Staub, Kathy
Veilleux, Daniel
Wilhelm, Matthew

MERRIMACK

Turcotte, Alisson
Ebel, Karen
Hicks, Matthew
McWilliams, Rebecca
Roesener, James
Schultz, Kristina

Brennan, Angela
Gallager, Eric
Lane, Connie
Myler, Mel
Gould, Sherry
Shurtleff, Steve

Caplan, Tony
Gibbs, Merryl
Luneau, David
Payeur, Stephanie
Schamberg, Thomas
Soucy, Timothy

Carey, Lorrie
Hall, Muriel
MacKay, James
Richards, Beth
Schuett, Dianne
Wallner, Mary Jane

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Balboni, Peggy
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Murray, Kate
Maggiore, Jim
Muns, Chris
Read, Ellen
Vallone, Mark

DiLorenzo, Charlotte
Grote, Jaci
Knab, Allison
Malloy, Dennis
O'Neil, Candice
Simpson, Alexis
Ward, Gerald

Edgar, Michael
Hamblet, Joan
Cahill, Michael
Manos, Zoe
Rafter, Hal
Sweeney, Joe

Gilman, Julie
Haskins, Linda
Paige, Mark
Meuse, David
Raynolds, Ned
Turer, Eric

STRAFFORD

Bay, Luz
Conlin, Bill
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Levesque, Cassandra
Selig, Loren

Bixby, Peter
Fitzpatrick, Daniel
Howland, Allan
Smith, Marjorie
Southworth, Thomas

Rich, Cecilia
Grassie, Chuck
Kenney, Cam
Schmidt, Peter
Wall, Janet

Cannon, Gerri
Howard, Heath
LaMontagne, Jessica
Pare, Gail

SULLIVAN

Sullivan, Brian
Palmer, William

Cloutier, John
Tanner, Linda

Damon, Hope

Merchant, Gary

NAYS - 175**BELKNAP**

Bean, Harry
McCarter, Nikki
Terry, Paul

Comtois, Barbara
Nagel, David
Varney, Peter

Dumais, Russell
Ploszaj, Tom

Harvey-Bolia, Juliet
Beaudoin, Richard

CARROLL

Avellani, Lino
MacDonald, John
Brown, Richard

Belcher, Mike
Smith, Jonathan

Cordelli, Glenn
McConkey, Mark

Costable, Michael
Pernel, Katy

CHESHIRE

Hunt, John
Thackston, Dick

Qualey, James

Rhodes, Jennifer

Santonastaso, Matthew

COOS

Davis, Arnold
King, Seth

Durkin, Sean
Tierney, James

Murphy, Michael

Ouellet, Mike

GRAFTON

Berezhny, Lex
Rocheport, David

Brown, Carroll
Sellers, John

Greeson, Jeffrey
Simon, Matthew

Ladd, Rick

HILLSBOROUGH

Lekas, Alicia
King, Bill
Corcoran, Travis
Erf, Keith
Gorski, Ted
Lascelles, Richard
McLean, Mark
Pauer, Diane
Prout, Andrew
Sheehan, Vanessa
Tenczar, Jeffrey

Abare, Kimberly
Berry, Ross
Creighton, Jim
Fedolfi, Jim
Healey, Robert
Lewicke, John
Mooney, Maureen
Plett, Fred
Reid, Karen
Sirois, Shane
Ulery, Jordan

Alexander, Joe
Boehm, Ralph
Cushman, Leah
Griffin, Gerald
Kennedy, Stephen
Mazur, Lisa
Noble, Kristin
Post, Lisa
Renzullo, Andrew
Lekas, Tony
Wherry, Robert

Boyd, Bill
Colcombe, Riché
Kelley, Diane
Gagne, Larry
Kofalt, Jim
McGough, Tim
Notter, Jeanine
Proulx, Mark
Seidel, Sheila
Mannion, Tom

MERRIMACK

Andrus, Louise
Cambriis, Jose
Hoell, J.R.
Polozov, Yuri
Walsh, Thomas

Aures, Cyril
McGuire, Dan
Leavitt, John
Boyd, Stephen
Wood, Clayton

Aylward, Deborah
Gerhard, Jason
Mason, James
Seaworth, Brian

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and the majority committee report was adopted, and the Speaker referred the bill to the Committee on Finance.

REGULAR CALENDAR CONT'D

HB 1560-FN-A, relative to unassigned moneys in the education trust fund. **MAJORITY: OUGHT TO PASS. MINORITY: INEXPEDIENT TO LEGISLATE.**

Rep. Daniel Popovici-Muller for the Majority of Finance. This bill simply states that at the end of each fiscal year, any unallocated funds in the education trust fund shall be transferred to the general fund at the end of each fiscal year. The main job of the Finance Committee is to prepare a budget that allocates available funds in a balanced, fair manner - designating funds for a specific purpose makes it very difficult for the Finance Committee to prepare the best state budget possible when funds that are needed somewhere else are locked away in an over-funded trust fund. Education funding was already increased by \$193 million, and yet the education trust fund is still projected to end with a significant surplus. If that happens, the prudent course of action is to automatically sweep those funds in the general fund. Doing so will not reduce the education appropriations by one dollar - only the unspent/unallocated funds will be moved to the general fund. Vote 13-12. Rep. Mary Heath for the Minority of Finance. The minority of the committee finds that the Education Trust Fund should continue as a non-lapsing fund. The trust includes funding for Adequacy, Kindergarten Aid, Charter School Funding, Education Freedom Accounts, Building Aid, Special Education and a number of other education related funds. In light of the state being involved in two education funding lawsuits, this is not the time to be taking funds from the Education Trust fund. Local tax payers cover 80% of education in New Hampshire through local property taxes. Now is not the time to empty remaining funds from the Education Trust fund.

The question being adoption of the majority committee report of Ought to Pass.

Rep. Hakken-Philips spoke against.

MOTION TO LAY ON THE TABLE

Rep. Weyler moved that **HB 1560-FN-A**, relative to unassigned moneys in the education trust fund, be laid on the table.

On a division vote, with 346 members having voted in the affirmative, and 14 in the negative, the motion was adopted.

(Speaker Packard in the Chair)

REGULAR CALENDAR CONT'D

HB 1589-FN, establishing a veterans treatment court **OUGHT TO PASS WITH AMENDMENT.**

Rep. Bob Lynn for Judiciary. As amended, this bill establishes a statewide veterans' treatment court to provide comprehensive alcohol, drug, and mental health counseling and treatment to present and former members of the military who have become involved with, or are in danger of becoming involved with, the criminal justice system. The bill requires the creation of a veterans' court in one circuit and superior court in each county and district in the state but gives the judicial branch flexibility to account for circumstances where participation is low in a particular county or district. The bill also establishes the position of veterans' court coordinator in the administrative office of the courts. To be eligible to participate in the veterans' court, a present or former U.S. or allied service member or contractor of the Department of Defense must have experienced military sexual trauma, a service-connected mental condition, service-connected traumatic brain injury, service-connected substance use disorder, or service-related psychological disorder. When a veteran successfully completes a veterans' court treatment program, the court is given discretion to impose various kinds of alternative sentences or to withhold criminal charges altogether as the circumstances warrant. The bill also establishes a grant program, under the supervision of the judicial branch, whereby counties may receive matching grants to assist them in supporting the veterans' courts in their counties. Vote 18-0.

Amendment (0334h)

Amend RSA 490-I:1, I as inserted by section 1 of the bill by replacing it with the following:

I. At least one veterans court shall be established in one circuit court and superior court in each county or district. In the court's discretion, in counties or districts where participation may be low, or where other administrative considerations may exist, a veterans court may be a track of an existing mental health court, may be combined across different counties or districts, may utilize a virtual docket, or may employ such other flexible measures as the court may determine appropriate in order to effectuate the objectives of this statute. The veterans court shall adjudicate, depending on jurisdiction, misdemeanor and felony cases and monitor treatment of veterans and active duty military members with mental illnesses, substance abuse issues, housing instability or homelessness, job instability or unemployment, or a combination of the aforementioned, in an effort to help veterans avoid behavior that would otherwise result in criminal conduct. The chief justice of the superior court and the administrative judge of the circuit court may issue administrative orders regarding veterans courts over which they have administrative authority.

Amend RSA 490-I:1, V as inserted by section 1 of the bill by replacing it with the following:

V. There is established the veterans court coordinator position under the supervision of the treatment courts coordinator within the administrative office of the courts. The coordinator shall, as appropriate, consult with the chief justice of the superior court or their designee, the administrative judge of the circuit court or their designee, an attorney representative of the state's county attorneys, an attorney representative of the New Hampshire public defender, an attorney representative of the attorney general's office, and the veteran's justice outreach coordinator or the equivalent who is or was already involved with a New Hampshire veteran's behavioral health track program, to determine how best to design, implement and administer all aspects of veterans courts, taking into account the specific treatment needs of veterans, sharable resources and reproducible designs of existing treatment courts, and the desired outcomes of a treatment court of this nature.

Amend RSA 490-I:2 as inserted by section 1 of the bill by replacing it with the following:

490-I:2 Definitions. In this subdivision:

I. "Guidelines" means, if available, research-based, specific, practitioner-focused veterans court guidance published by the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs, Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration, National Association of Drug Court Professionals, and other relevant state and federal agencies and organizations.

II. "Coordinator" means the veterans court coordinator or designee within the administrative office of the courts.

III. "Veteran" mean:

(a) A current or former member of the active or reserve components of the United States Army, United States Navy, United States Air Force, United States Marine Corps, United States Space Force, or United States Coast Guard;

(b) A current or former member of the New Hampshire National Guard;

(c) A current or former contractor for the United States Department of Defense who served in a theater of armed conflict; or

(d) A current or former military member of a foreign allied country.

IV. "Veterans court" means a veterans treatment court where any veteran, as defined in paragraph III of this section, may be enrolled, should they meet the criteria for admission.

V. Military sexual trauma (MST) means sexual assault or sexual harassment experienced during military service.

Amend RSA 490-I:3 as inserted by section 1 of the bill by replacing it with the following:

490-I:3 Eligibility.

A veteran may be eligible for veterans court if he or she has experienced military sexual trauma or has a service-related mental condition, service-related traumatic brain injury, service-related substance use disorder, or service-related psychological disorder.

Amend RSA 490-I:4 as inserted by section 1 of the bill by replacing it with the following:

490-I:4 Grant Program Created.

I. There is established a statewide veteran court grant program which shall provide state matching funds as appropriated to support veteran courts in state superior court and circuit court districts as established herein.

II. The veterans court coordinator or designee shall be responsible for developing an application process by which counties may apply for a state grant for any operational aspect of a veterans court. Subject to approval of the chief justice of the supreme court or designee, the coordinator shall:

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- (b) Establish and periodically update guidelines for operating veteran courts.
- (c) Develop draft policies and procedures including a participant handbook, program outline, and implementation plan.
- (d) Measure recidivism rates and other outcome measures.
- (e) Evaluate compliance with relevant standards.
- (f) Assist in creating veteran courts in counties seeking to implement or continue them.
- (g) Assist counties in obtaining ongoing training.

Amend RSA 490-I:5 as inserted by section 1 of the bill by replacing it with the following:

490-I:5 Eligibility for Grants.

I. For the purpose of grants, each county shall be grouped into 3 categories: small, medium, and large, based on the number of court filings in each district and subject to annual review by the chief justice of the superior court and administrative judge of the circuit court. Coos, Carroll, and Sullivan counties shall initially be categorized as small. Grafton, Belknap, and Cheshire counties shall initially be categorized as medium. The districts of Hillsborough county superior court north and Hillsborough county superior court south, and Strafford, Merrimack, and Rockingham counties shall initially be categorized as large. Subject to available state appropriations, large counties and districts shall each be eligible for a grant of up to \$245,000 per year; medium counties shall each be eligible for a grant of up to \$150,000 per year; and small counties shall each be eligible for a grant of up to \$100,000 per year. Grants shall be awarded on a first-come, first-served basis, but shall not be retroactive. Counties may apply for grants during the year and grants may be prorated for a portion of the year for the number of months the grant will be in effect for that year. Grants shall not be prorated based on the amount of appropriation available. Any state veterans court grant program funds which are not expended by a county at the end of the county's fiscal year shall be returned to the judicial branch administrative office of the courts for deposit in the state general fund.

II. To be eligible for a state grant, a county operating a veterans court shall receive a recommendation for approval from the coordinator's office. Grants shall be paid by the administrative office of the courts following receipt of recommendations by the coordinator and final approval of the chief justice of the supreme court. The coordinator shall determine how often approval shall be required and shall recommend subsequent grants when the currently operating veterans court establishes compliance with the New Hampshire veterans court approval checklist as promulgated by the coordinator.

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Committee amendment was adopted.

The question being adoption of the committee report of Ought to Pass with Amendment.

Rep. Stapleton offered floor amendment (0671h).

Floor Amendment (0671h)

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The question being adoption of floor amendment (0671h).

Rep. Stapleton spoke in favor.

Floor amendment (0671h) was adopted.

The question now being adoption of the committee report of Ought to Pass with Amendment.

Committee report was adopted, and the Speaker referred the bill to the Committee on Finance.

HB 1696, relative to electronic record requests under the right-to-know law. **OUGHT TO PASS WITH AMENDMENT.**

Rep. Joe Alexander for Judiciary. As amended, this legislation will create a state repository for municipal right to know records and funds a local government records manager in the New Hampshire Division of Archives and Records Management. Use of the repository is optional by municipalities; however, the municipality could fulfill right to know requests for records by providing the website address in cases where the municipality uploaded the record in accordance with the state archivist's guidelines and provides a cost-free method for accessing the website. This will increase access to the public records and decrease the need for right to know requests. Vote 19-0.

Amendment (0237h)

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

AN ACT relative to local records retention.

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

- 1 Local Records; Public Access. Amend RSA 5:35 to read as follows:
- 5:35 Local Records.

The director shall accept for storage in the state archives such local records as the municipal records board established under RSA 33-A:4-a may require. *The director shall designate, with the approval of the municipal records board, a publicly accessible website for the retention and public access to local electronic records.*

2 Local Government Records Manager; Website Development. Amend RSA 5:49 II to read as follows:

II. It shall be the responsibility of the local government records manager to advise the municipal records board concerning local government records policies and procedures, state services and financial support needed to assist or advise local officials, regulations pertaining to local government ~~[records, and grants for local government records management improvement pursuant to RSA 5:51]~~.

3 New Paragraph; Duties of Local Government Records Manager. Amend RSA 5:49 by inserting after paragraph II the following new paragraph:

III. The local government records manager, or if the role is not filled, the State Archivist, is authorized to employ specialists in records management, archives, and administration, consultants and or other specialists necessary to provide a publicly accessible website pursuant to RSA 5:35 and issue guidance for its proper use.

4 New Paragraph; Electronic Records. Amend RSA 33-A:5-a by inserting after paragraph II the following new paragraph:

III. Electronic municipal records, including paper municipal records transferred to electronic records in accordance with the provisions of RSA 33-A:5-a, I, may be stored on a publicly accessible website designated by and, in accordance with, guidance issued by the state archivist. If electronic municipal records are stored in this manner, no additional copy need be kept by the municipality if the municipality provides the public at least one cost-free method of accessing the website.

5 Minutes and Records Available for Public Inspection. Amend RSA 91-A:4, IV(a) to read as follows:

IV.(a) Each public body or agency shall, upon request for any governmental record reasonably described, make available for inspection and copying any such governmental record within its files when such records are immediately available for such release~~[-]~~***or, if the record has been uploaded to the website in accordance with RSA 33-A:5-a III, provide the domain name of the website.***

6 Appropriation. The sum of \$150,000 for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2025 is hereby appropriated to the secretary of state, division of archives and records management for the local government records manager position at LG 21, creation, and maintenance of a publicly accessible website for the retention and public access to local electronic records, and implementation of provisions of this act. To the extent the secretary of state is unable to hire the local government records manager position, the funds allocated for the position may be used to employ an outside consultant to perform the duties required. The governor is authorized to draw a warrant for said sum out of any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated.

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

AMENDED ANALYSIS

This bill funds and equips the local government record manager with online storage of records that are available for public access.

Committee amendment was adopted.

The question being adoption of the committee report of Ought to Pass with Amendment.

Rep. Granger requested a roll call; not sufficiently seconded.

Committee report was adopted, and the bill was ordered to third reading.

SENATE MESSAGE

REQUESTS CONCURRENCE WITH AMENDMENT

HB 154, relative to electronic ballot counting devices. (Amendment printed SJ 1/3/24)

Rep. Len Turcotte moved that the House nonconcur and request a Committee of Conference.

Rep. Berry spoke against.

Rep. Len Turcotte spoke in favor.

Motion failed.

Rep. Berry moved to concur.

Motion was adopted.

REGULAR CALENDAR CONT'D

HB 1000, relative to classifying New Hampshire legislators' service as public service for certain federal purposes. **MAJORITY: INEXPEDIENT TO LEGISLATE. MINORITY: OUGHT TO PASS.**

Rep. Michael Costable for the Majority of Legislative Administration. Part 1 of our ethics guidelines states: "Legislators shall treat their office as a public trust, only using the powers and resources of public office to advance public interests, and not attain personal benefits..." This bill would require the legislature to essentially classify and certify to the federal government that a select number of legislators serve as full-time (30 hours per week) public servants in order for these legislators to qualify for the federal loan forgiveness program. A few reasons stand out as to why the committee voted as it did. First: members of the General Court are not public employees. While elected officials may share some characteristics with public employees, such as receiving a W-2 from the General Court, the General Court does not hire them, nor can they fire

them. Legislators are elected, and not employed by the state as required for the program. Second: members of the New Hampshire General Court have never been considered full-time legislators as required by the program. The federal program states “For PSLF, full time employment is working for a qualifying employer for a weekly average equal to at least 30 hours during the period certified.” In the committee’s opinion it is too much to ask for the General Court administration to simply certify under penalty of perjury, that any given legislator averages 30 hours of legislative work for the entire 2-year term. Third: this bill asks the General Court to bend rules to personally benefit a select few of us for a program that is not otherwise available to our constituents. Vote 11-3.

Rep. Allison Nutting-Wong for the Minority of Legislative Administration. This bill would allow our service as state representatives to be considered as public service for student debt cancellation. The minority of the committee believes that this is an easy way to show the federal government how valuable our service is to our constituents. This follows many states in practice that meet similarly or less frequently than our current practice.

The question being adoption of the majority committee report of Inexpedient to Legislate.

Rep. Read spoke against and yielded to questions.

Rep. Costable spoke in favor and yielded to questions.

Rep. Granger requested a roll call; sufficiently seconded.

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Damon, Hope

Palmer, William

and the majority committee report was adopted.

HB 1219, relative to creating a commission to study the feasibility and structure of a legislative office to provide longitudinal cost-benefit analysis of significant proposed legislation and of budgetary revenue estimates.

MAJORITY: INEXPEDIENT TO LEGISLATE. MINORITY: OUGHT TO PASS.

Rep. Gregory Hill for the Majority of Legislative Administration. The sponsors of this legislation want to establish a commission to study whether it would benefit New Hampshire, from a budgetary standpoint, to create independent multi-year revenue estimates and longitudinal cost-benefit analysis of future proposed legislation that might have significant long term financial impact. The committee heard testimony which indicated that many states already do these types of studies, sometimes with their own internal staff and sometimes subcontracting a private sector firm who does this kind of modeling work. The committee feels it would be the best path forward, rather than a commission, for the sponsors to submit legislation for the next budget year that appropriates funding to proceed with a request for proposals for subcontracting a firm to do longitudinal studies on one or two select state programs such as perhaps the Family Medical Leave program or offshore wind power as a pilot program to evaluate the benefits first hand. Another consideration for the committee was the abbreviated timeline given that a considerable amount of time will be needed to appoint members of a large commission coupled with this being an election year. With these factors in mind, it would seem unlikely the final commission report, to be finalized for November, would have sufficient time to be comprehensive. For the majority of the committee to recommend Inexpedient to Legislate on this current legislation is only reflective of the method of proceeding towards the goal of the prime sponsor. Vote 8-6. Rep. Allison Nutting-Wong for the Minority of Legislative Administration. This bill creates a commission to study the feasibility and to create the structure of a legislative office for longitudinal cost-benefit studies. The minority of the committee finds creating the structure of a commission to be beneficial for studying the creation of the legislative office.

The question being adoption of the majority committee report of Inexpedient to Legislate.

Rep. Almy spoke against.

Rep. Hill spoke in favor.

On a division vote, with 178 members having voted in the affirmative, and 173 in the negative, the majority committee report was adopted.

HB 1363-FN, relative to allowing members of the general court to participate in the department of health and human services employee assistance program. **MAJORITY: INEXPEDIENT TO LEGISLATE. MINORITY: OUGHT TO PASS.**

Rep. Michael Costable for the Majority of Legislative Administration. This bill would add members of the General Court to the employee assistance program (EAP). While the committee agrees that those who seek counseling should have the opportunity to find the help they need, and that includes members of the General Court, public testimony and research indicates that this bill is, for the most part, unnecessary or redundant. The legislature is required to fund the expense for all legislators regardless of the number who will actually avail themselves of the opportunity. Many legislators might already be covered under the various insurance programs they or a member of their household possess. For others, not already covered, testimony uncovered a wonderful free resource program called 211 NH. 211 NH is the connection for New Hampshire residents to the most up-to-date resources they might need from specially trained information and referral specialists. 211 NH is available 24 hours, 365 days a year. Multilingual assistance and TDD access is also available. The EAP program for legislators offered at taxpayer expense in the bill seems to be a referral hub as well according to their pamphlet. They mention no direct therapy sessions. At mini-

mum, the majority on the committee believe that if members wanted to participate in the program, the EAP program should be offered as a voluntary opt-in and paid for by the legislator individually similar to our current medical and dental offerings. Vote 9-5.

Rep. Allison Nutting-Wong for the Minority of Legislative Administration. This bill would avail our members to the employee assistance program. As the employee assistance program exists to provide assistance, and the mission is to make their clients more productive, the minority of the committee finds this to be a fiscally responsible investment in our productivity.

The question being adoption of the majority committee report of Inexpedient to Legislate.

On a division vote, with 169 members having voted in the affirmative, and 174 in the negative, the majority committee report failed.

Rep. Weber moved the minority committee report of Ought to Pass.

Rep. Renzullo requested a roll call; sufficiently seconded.

YEAS 184 - NAYS 168

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Monteil, Renee Newell, Jodi Parshall, Lucius Schapiro, Joe
Tatro, Bruce Toll, Amanda Weber, Lucy

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Almy, Susan Baldwin, Heather Bolton, Bill Corman, Thomas
Fellows, Sallie Fracht, David Hakken-Phillips, Mary Hoyt, Tommy
Murphy, James Lovett, Peter Massimilla, Linda
Morse, Corinne Muirhead, Russell Stavis, Laurel Stringham, Jerry
Sykes, George

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Gregg, Alicia Grill, Jessica Hamer, Heidi Harriott-Gathright, Linda
Heath, Mary Jack, Martin Smith, Juliet Juris, Louis
Foxx, Loren Lanza, Judi Leapley, Nicole LeClerc, Daniel
Leishman, Peter Lloyd, Christal Long, Patrick Howard, Molly
Murray, Megan MacKenzie, Mark Mangipudi, Latha McGhee, Kat
Ming, Ben Morton, Jennifer Murphy, Nancy Nutter-Upham, Frances
O'Brien, Michael Pedersen, Michael Petrigno, Peter Plamondon, Marc
Preece, David Newman, Ray Raymond, Heather Reid, Karen
Rombeau, Catherine Rung, Rosemarie Ryan, Linda Newman, Sue
Seibert, Christine Sofikitis, Catherine Spier, Carry Staub, Kathy
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Gould, Sherry Schamberg, Thomas Schuett, Dianne Schultz, Kristina
Shurtleff, Steve Soucy, Timothy Wallner, Mary Jane

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Bogert, Steven
Dumais, Russell
Ploszaj, Tom

Bordes, Mike
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Beaudoin, Richard

Coker, Matthew
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Sellers, John

Coulon, Matthew
Simon, Matthew

Greeson, Jeffrey

Ladd, Rick

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Lekas, Alicia
King, Bill
Colcombe, Riché
Kelley, Diane
Griffin, Gerald
Kennedy, Stephen
Mazur, Lisa
Noble, Kristin
Post, Lisa
Seidel, Sheila
Mannion, Tom

Abare, Kimberly
Berry, Ross
Corcoran, Travis
Darby, Will
Gagne, Larry
Kofalt, Jim
McGough, Tim
Notter, Jeanine
Proulx, Mark
Sheehan, Vanessa
Tenczar, Jeffrey

Ammon, Keith
Boehm, Ralph
Creighton, Jim
Erf, Keith
Gorski, Ted
Lascelles, Richard
McLean, Mark
Pauer, Diane
Prout, Andrew
Sirois, Shane
Ulery, Jordan

Boyd, Bill
Calabro, Karen
Cushman, Leah
Fedolfi, Jim
Healey, Robert
Lewicke, John
Mooney, Maureen
Plett, Fred
Renzullo, Andrew
Lekas, Tony

MERRIMACK

Andrus, Louise
Cambrils, Jose
Hoell, J.R.
Polozov, Yury
Walsh, Thomas

Aures, Cyril
McGuire, Dan
Leavitt, John
Boyd, Stephen
Wood, Clayton

Aylward, Deborah
Gerhard, Jason
Mason, James
Seaworth, Brian

McGuire, Carol
Hill, Gregory
Moffett, Michael
See, Alvin

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Ball, Lorie
Thomas, Douglas
Drago, Mike
Harb, Robert
Perez, Kristine
Layon, Erica
McDonnell, Valerie
Osborne, Jason
Potucek, John
Pearson, Stephen

Bernardy, JD
DeSimone, Debra
Dunn, Ron
Nelson, Jodi
Katsakiores, Phyllis
Love, David
McMahon, Charles
Phillips, Emily
Pratt, Kevin
Soti, Julius

Brouillard, Jacob
Donnelly, Tanya
Edwards, Jess
Janigian, John
Khan, Aboul
Lundgren, David
Melvin, Charles
Popovici-Muller, Daniel
Quaratiello, Arlene
Spillane, James

Mannion, Dennis
Doucette, Fred
Emerick, Tracy
Janvrin, Jason
Walsh, Lilli
Lynn, Bob
Ford, Oliver
Porcelli, Susan
Roy, Terry
Summers, James

Sweeney, Joe
Tudor, Paul
Wallace, Scott

Sytek, John
Verville, Kevin
Weyler, Kenneth

Cahill, Tim
Vose, Michael
Yokela, Josh

Tripp, Richard
MacDonald, Wayne

STRAFFORD

Bailey, Glenn
Granger, Michael
Turcotte, Len
Potenza, Kelley

Bickford, David
Harrington, Michael
Newton, Clifford

Burnham, Claudine
Horgan, James
Phinney, Brandon

Connor, James
Kaczynski, Thomas
Pitre, Joseph

SULLIVAN

Aron, Judy
Spilsbury, Walter

Drye, Margaret
Stapleton, Walter

Rollins, Skip
Stone, Jonathan

Smith, Steven

and the minority committee report was adopted, and the Speaker referred the bill to the Committee on Finance.

HB 1576-FN, relative to allowing property owners to opt out of public utilities. **INEXPEDIENT TO LEGISLATE.**

Rep. Michael Vose for Science, Technology and Energy. This bill originally sought to allow New Hampshire residents to opt out of taking utility service for electricity, water, and sewer. The actual target was mandatory sewer hookups. An amendment was considered but found to be fraught with uncertainties. The unanswered questions led the committee to conclude that this legislation would need a great deal more work to be tenable. Vote 20-0.

The question being adoption of the committee report of Inexpedient to Legislate.
Committee report was adopted.

HCR 8, applying to congress for a limited national convention for the exclusive purpose of proposing an amendment to the United States Constitution relative to elections. **MAJORITY: OUGHT TO PASS. MINORITY: INEXPEDIENT TO LEGISLATE.**

Rep. Tom Mannion for the Majority of State-Federal Relations and Veterans Affairs. After multiple hearings concerning this topic over the past two years, a bipartisan majority of the committee now supports the Article V Convention of States model. This specific application to a convention concerns free and fair elections, for which every state should have a seat at the table during the amendment drafting process to ensure the outcome represents the will of the states as best as possible before being sent out for ratification. As with other applications, the committee believes there are enough guardrails in place with the convention model and subsequent requirements for ratification that fears of a runaway convention are unfounded. Vote 15-5.

Rep. Christine Seibert for the Minority of State-Federal Relations and Veterans Affairs. The proponents of this resolution ask Congress to call for a Constitutional Convention under Article V “for the exclusive purpose of proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States of America that will restore free and fair elections as described herein.” The minority has concerns about the broad nature of the stated purpose of the convention, as well as the process of an Article V Convention. First, the term “free and fair elections” is open-ended. While the introductory language of the resolution focuses on the effects of Citizens United, it is only one of several issues that relate to free and fair elections. Thus, the scope of the convention under this resolution is quite broad and could include innumerable issues falling under the guise of “free and fair” elections. The minority is not comfortable with such a broad purpose given the politicization of voting fairness and security after the 2020 presidential election. Legal scholars and others are divided on virtually all aspects of an Article V convention, primarily because the language in the Constitution is not complete or clear. The Constitution does not provide much specific guidance or clear framework for such a convention. How the convention is held, by whom, who attends the convention, and who decides the agenda are not addressed. Those urging us to adopt this resolution say that it is a tool for citizens to be heard when Congress is not listening, but we should be wary of embracing this untested vehicle for change until some important protections are in place. For a start, there should be clarity on how a convention’s rules and procedures are to be set. The minority prefers that Congress first establish procedures for amending the Constitution by the national constitutional convention method. The establishment of procedures will make it easier for state legislatures to support a national convention by knowing the rules under which it would operate. Failing to deal with the uncertainties of the convention method is to court a constitutional crisis. Other critical questions to be resolved include: Must Congress call an Article V convention if 34 states properly ask for one? If called, are the limitations on scope binding on the convention? What constitutes a valid application to Congress and who is the judge of that? How long are applications valid? Can they be rescinded? What powers does Congress have as to the scope of the convention, procedures for selection of delegates, and must it submit the amendments to the states for ratification? What are the roles of the President and the governors, if any? Are issues arising at the convention justiciable? Does each state have one vote, the number of its electoral votes, or another number based on population?

The question being adoption of the majority committee report of Ought to Pass.

MOTION TO LAY ON THE TABLE

Rep. Granger moved that **HCR 8**, applying to congress for a limited national convention for the exclusive purpose of proposing an amendment to the United States Constitution relative to elections, be laid on the table.

On a division vote, with 247 members having voted in the affirmative, and 99 in the negative, the motion was adopted.

REGULAR CALENDAR CONT'D**HCR 11, condemning medically unnecessary restrictions on medication abortion. WITHOUT RECOMMENDATION**

Statement in support of Ought to Pass: This resolution puts our chamber on the record when it comes to medication abortion, which is only available with a prescription from a licensed clinician early in pregnancy, up to 11 weeks. Passage of this resolution would show that we, as the New Hampshire House, support medication abortion and that we oppose medically unnecessary restrictions on mifepristone, the first pill of the two-pill regimen for medication abortion, an issue we are seeing play out in the Supreme Court right now. The case involves a challenge against the U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) approval process by anti-abortion activists who seek to ban abortion across the country. Testimony at the hearing made it clear that mifepristone is safe, and effective, and has been used by more than five million people in the United States since it was approved by the U.S. FDA more than twenty years ago. The majority of abortion patients in this country choose medication abortion. Additionally, in 1991, New Hampshire was the first state in the nation to adopt a resolution (also HCR 11) urging the U.S. FDA to allow clinical trials of mifepristone in medication abortion, as well as to encourage the United States to introduce it due to its significant medical value. The medical value goes beyond abortion, as well, including but not limited to its use as a medication for uterine fibroids, miscarriage management, and ectopic pregnancies. If the Supreme Court rules to restrict mifepristone, it could impact patients in New Hampshire for all of these healthcare procedures. We must show our constituents that we oppose the judiciary using its power to roll back and overrule the work of federal departments. This sets a dangerous precedent, no matter what side of the aisle one sits on. We urge you to vote OTP and send the message to Granite Staters that we oppose these medically unnecessary threats to restrict abortion early in pregnancy.

Rep. Christine Seibert

Statement in support of Inexpedient to Legislate: There was sentiment within the committee to amend this measure so as to support the resolution's stated intent regarding the use of certain medicines to address situations such as ectopic pregnancies. This might have led to a bipartisan compromise measure with broad support as opposed to a strictly partisan resolution. Ultimately, the introduction of a drafted compromise amendment was not supported, leaving the committee to vote on the original resolution. Among the measure's 16 "Whereas" statements is one which reads as follows: "Whereas the United States District Court for the Northern District of Texas and United States Court of Appeals for the Fifth Circuit decisions in *Alliance for Hippocratic Medicine et al V U.S. Food and Drug Administration et al.* are ongoing examples of the weaponization of our country's federal court system to advance the anti-abortion movement's end goal of banning abortion nationwide." Those favoring the Inexpedient To Legislate option strongly feel that such inflammatory language has no place in a New Hampshire legislative resolution on a subject where profound divisions exist as to what the legal status of the unborn should be at various stages of gestation. Those favoring the Inexpedient To Legislate option oppose the weaponization of resolutions to use the respected status of our legislative body in attempting to advance perspectives that do not represent any legislative consensus while also seeking to tip the scales of justice in distant Circuit Courts and elsewhere on an issue that first deserves far more reflection, discussion, and communication locally.

Rep. Michael Moffett

Rep. Seibert moved Ought to Pass.

Rep. Simon spoke against.

Rep. Simpson spoke in favor and requested a roll call; sufficiently seconded.

YEAS 196 - NAYS 151

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Huot, David

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McCarter, Nikki

Comtois, Barbara

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Sellers, John	Simon, Matthew		

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Healey, Robert	Kennedy, Stephen	Kofalt, Jim	Lascelles, Richard
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Mooney, Maureen	Noble, Kristin	Notter, Jeanine	Pauer, Diane
Plett, Fred	Prout, Andrew	Reid, Karen	Renzullo, Andrew
Seidel, Sheila	Sheehan, Vanessa	Sirois, Shane	Lekas, Tony
Mannion, Tom	Tenczar, Jeffrey	Ulery, Jordan	

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Ball, Lorie	Bernardy, JD	Brouillard, Jacob	Mannion, Dennis
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Love, David	Lynn, Bob	Pearson, Mark	McDonnell, Valerie
McMahon, Charles	Melvin, Charles	Ford, Oliver	Osborne, Jason
Phillips, Emily	Popovici-Muller, Daniel	Potucek, John	Pratt, Kevin
Quaratiello, Arlene	Roy, Terry	Pearson, Stephen	Soti, Julius
Spillane, James	Summers, James	Sweeney, Joe	Sytek, John
Cahill, Tim	Tripp, Richard	Tudor, Paul	Verville, Kevin
Vose, Michael	MacDonald, Wayne	Wallace, Scott	Weyler, Kenneth

STRAFFORD

Ankarberg, Aidan	Bailey, Glenn	Burnham, Claudine	Connor, James
Granger, Michael	Harrington, Michael	Horgan, James	Kaczynski, Thomas
Turcotte, Len	Pitre, Joseph	Potenza, Kelley	

SULLIVAN

Aron, Judy	Drye, Margaret	Rollins, Skip	Smith, Steven
Spilsbury, Walter	Stapleton, Walter	Stone, Jonathan	

and the motion was adopted, and the bill was ordered to third reading.

MOTION TO REMOVE FROM THE TABLE

Rep. Weber moved that **HB 1419-FN**, relative to prohibiting obscene or harmful sexual materials in schools, be removed from the table.

On a division vote, with 308 members having voted in the affirmative, and 40 in the negative, the motion was adopted.

The question being adoption of the motion of Ought to Pass.

Rep. Tanner spoke against.

Rep. Noble spoke in favor.

Rep. Harrington requested a roll call; sufficiently seconded.

YEAS 162 - NAYS 187

YEAS - 162**BELKNAP**

Bean, Harry	Coker, Matthew	Comtois, Barbara	Dumais, Russell
Harvey-Bolia, Juliet	McCarter, Nikki	Nagel, David	Ploszaj, Tom

CARROLL

Avellani, Lino
MacDonald, John
Brown, Richard

Belcher, Mike
Smith, Jonathan

Cordelli, Glenn
McConkey, Mark

Costable, Michael
Peternel, Katy

CHESHIRE

Qualey, James

Rhodes, Jennifer

Santonastaso, Matthew

COOS

Davis, Arnold
King, Seth

Durkin, Sean
Tierney, James

Murphy, Michael

Ouellet, Mike

GRAFTON

Berezhny, Lex
Sellers, John

Coulon, Matthew
Simon, Matthew

Greeson, Jeffrey

Ladd, Rick

HILLSBOROUGH

Lekas, Alicia
King, Bill
Corcoran, Travis
Erf, Keith
Gorski, Ted
Lascelles, Richard
McLean, Mark
Pauer, Diane
Prout, Andrew
Sheehan, Vanessa
Tenczar, Jeffrey

Abare, Kimberly
Berry, Ross
Creighton, Jim
Fedolfi, Jim
Healey, Robert
Lewicke, John
Mooney, Maureen
Plett, Fred
Reid, Karen
Sirois, Shane
Ulery, Jordan

Ammon, Keith
Boehm, Ralph
Cushman, Leah
Griffin, Gerald
Kennedy, Stephen
Mazur, Lisa
Noble, Kristin
Post, Lisa
Renzullo, Andrew
Lekas, Tony

Boyd, Bill
Colcombe, Riché
Kelley, Diane
Gagne, Larry
Kofalt, Jim
McGough, Tim
Notter, Jeanine
Proulx, Mark
Seidel, Sheila
Mannion, Tom

MERRIMACK

Andrus, Louise
Cambilis, Jose
Hoell, J.R.
Polozov, Yuri
Walsh, Thomas

Aures, Cyril
McGuire, Dan
Leavitt, John
Boyd, Stephen
Wood, Clayton

Aylward, Deborah
Gerhard, Jason
Mason, James
Seaworth, Brian

McGuire, Carol
Hill, Gregory
Moffett, Michael
See, Alvin

ROCKINGHAM

Ball, Lorie
Thomas, Douglas
Drago, Mike
Harb, Robert
Perez, Kristine
Layon, Erica
McDonnell, Valerie
Osborne, Jason
Pratt, Kevin
Soti, Julius
Sytek, John
Verville, Kevin
Weyler, Kenneth

Bernardy, JD
DeSimone, Debra
Dunn, Ron
Nelson, Jodi
Katsakiores, Phyllis
Love, David
McMahon, Charles
Phillips, Emily
Quaratiello, Arlene
Spillane, James
Cahill, Tim
Vose, Michael
Yokela, Josh

Brouillard, Jacob
Donnelly, Tanya
Edwards, Jess
Janigian, John
Khan, Aboul
Lynn, Bob
Melvin, Charles
Porcelli, Susan
Roy, Terry
Summers, James
Tripp, Richard
MacDonald, Wayne

Mannion, Dennis
Doucette, Fred
Emerick, Tracy
Janvrin, Jason
Walsh, Lilli
Pearson, Mark
Ford, Oliver
Potucek, John
Pearson, Stephen
Sweeney, Joe
Tudor, Paul
Wallace, Scott

STRAFFORD

Ankarberg, Aidan
Granger, Michael
Turcotte, Len
Potenza, Kelley

Bailey, Glenn
Harrington, Michael
Newton, Clifford

Burnham, Claudine
Horgan, James
Phinney, Brandon

Connor, James
Kaczynski, Thomas
Pitre, Joseph

SULLIVAN

Aron, Judy
Spilsbury, Walter

Drye, Margaret
Stapleton, Walter

Rollins, Skip
Stone, Jonathan

Smith, Steven

NAYS - 187**BELKNAP**

Bogert, Steven

Bordes, Mike

Huot, David

St. Clair, Charlie

CARROLL

Buco, Thomas
Woodcock, Stephen

Burroughs, Anita

Paige, David

McAleer, Chris

CHESHIRE

Abbott, Michael
Eaton, Daniel
Jones, Philip
Schapiro, Joe

Ames, Richard
Faulkner, Barry
Monteil, Renee
Tatro, Bruce

Harvey, Cathryn
Germana, Nicholas
Newell, Jodi
Toll, Amanda

Fox, Dru
Hunt, John
Parshall, Lucius
Weber, Lucy

COOS

Cascadden, Corinne

Kelley, Eamon

Noël, Henry

GRAFTON

Almy, Susan
 Fellows, Sallie
 Murphy, James
 Morse, Corinne
 Sykes, George

Baldwin, Heather
 Fracht, David
 Sullivan, Jared
 Muirhead, Russell

Bolton, Bill
 Hakken-Phillips, Mary
 Lovett, Peter
 Stavis, Laurel

Cormen, Thomas
 Hoyt, Tommy
 Massimilla, Linda
 Stringham, Jerry

HILLSBOROUGH

Murray, Aissandra
 Beaulieu, Jane
 Bradley, Amy
 Darby, Will
 Elberger, Susan
 Goley, Jeffrey
 Harriott-Gathright, Linda
 Juris, Louis
 LeClerc, Daniel
 Howard, Molly
 McGhee, Kat
 Nutter-Upham, Frances
 Plamondon, Marc
 Rung, Rosemarie
 Sofikitis, Catherine
 Tellez, Trinidad
 Thomas, Wendy

Nutting-Wong, Allison
 Booras, Efstathia
 Calabro, Karen
 Devine, Shelley
 Davis, Fred
 Gregg, Alicia
 Heath, Mary
 Foxx, Loren
 Leishman, Peter
 Murray, Megan
 Ming, Ben
 O'Brien, Michael
 Preece, David
 Ryan, Linda
 Spier, Carry
 Vail, Suzanne
 Wheeler, Jonah

Baroody, Benjamin
 Bouchard, Donald
 Chretien, Jacqueline
 DiSilvestro, Linda
 Freitas, Mary
 Grill, Jessica
 Jack, Martin
 Lanza, Judi
 Lloyd, Christal
 MacKenzie, Mark
 Morton, Jennifer
 Pedersen, Michael
 Newman, Ray
 Newman, Sue
 Staub, Kathy
 Veilleux, Daniel
 Wilhelm, Matthew

Beauchemin, Paige
 Bouldin, Amanda
 Cornell, Patricia
 Dutzy, Sherry
 Gibbons, Candace
 Hamer, Heidi
 Smith, Juliet
 Leapley, Nicole
 Long, Patrick
 Mangipudi, Latha
 Murphy, Nancy
 Petrigno, Peter
 Rombeau, Catherine
 Seibert, Christine
 Telerski, Laura
 Dolan, William

MERRIMACK

Turcotte, Alisson
 Ebel, Karen
 Hicks, Matthew
 McWilliams, Rebecca
 Gould, Sherry
 Shurtleff, Steve

Brennan, Angela
 Gallagher, Eric
 Lane, Connie
 Myler, Mel
 Schamberg, Thomas
 Soucy, Timothy

Caplan, Tony
 Gibbs, Merryll
 Luneau, David
 Payeur, Stephanie
 Schuett, Dianne
 Wallner, Mary Jane

Carey, Lorrie
 Hall, Muriel
 MacKay, James
 Roesener, James
 Schultz, Kristina

ROCKINGHAM

Balboni, Peggy
 Grossman, Gaby
 Murray, Kate
 Maggiore, Jim
 Muns, Chris
 Reynolds, Ned
 Vallone, Mark

DiLorenzo, Charlotte
 Grote, Jaci
 Knab, Allison
 Malloy, Dennis
 O'Neil, Candice
 Read, Ellen
 Ward, Gerald

Edgar, Michael
 Hamblet, Joan
 Cahill, Michael
 Manos, Zoe
 Popovici-Muller, Daniel
 Simpson, Alexis

Gilman, Julie
 Haskins, Linda
 Paige, Mark
 Meuse, David
 Rafter, Hal
 Turer, Eric

STRAFFORD

Bay, Luz
 Cannon, Gerri
 Howard, Heath
 LaMontagne, Jessica
 Pare, Gail

Bickford, David
 Conlin, Bill
 Horrigan, Timothy
 Levesque, Cassandra
 Selig, Loren

Bixby, Peter
 Fitzpatrick, Daniel
 Howland, Allan
 Smith, Marjorie
 Southworth, Thomas

Rich, Cecilia
 Grassie, Chuck
 Kenney, Cam
 Schmidt, Peter
 Wall, Janet

SULLIVAN

Sullivan, Brian
 Palmer, William

Cloutier, John
 Tanner, Linda

Damon, Hope

Merchant, Gary

and the motion failed.

MOTON TO INDEFINITELY POSTPONE

Rep. Myler moved that **HB 1419-FN**, relative to prohibiting obscene or harmful sexual materials in schools, be Indefinitely Postponed.

Rep. Myler requested a roll call; sufficiently seconded.

YEAS 187 - NAYS 162

YEAS - 187**BELKNAP**

Bogert, Steven

Huot, David

St. Clair, Charlie

CARROLL

Buco, Thomas
 Woodcock, Stephen

Burroughs, Anita

Paige, David

McAleer, Chris

CHESHIRE

Abbott, Michael
Eaton, Daniel
Jones, Philip
Schapiro, Joe

Ames, Richard
Faulkner, Barry
Monteil, Renee
Tatro, Bruce

Harvey, Cathryn
Germana, Nicholas
Newell, Jodi
Toll, Amanda

Fox, Dru
Hunt, John
Parshall, Lucius
Weber, Lucy

COOS

Cascadden, Corinne

Kelley, Eamon

Noël, Henry

GRAFTON

Almy, Susan
Fellows, Sallie
Murphy, James
Morse, Corinne
Sykes, George

Baldwin, Heather
Fracht, David
Sullivan, Jared
Muirhead, Russell

Bolton, Bill
Hakken-Phillips, Mary
Lovett, Peter
Stavis, Laurel

Cormen, Thomas
Hoyt, Tommy
Massimilla, Linda
Stringham, Jerry

HILLSBOROUGH

Murray, Aissandra
Beaulieu, Jane
Bradley, Amy
Cushman, Leah
Dutzy, Sherry
Gibbons, Candace
Hamer, Heidi
Smith, Juliet
Leapley, Nicole
Long, Patrick
Mangipudi, Latha
Murphy, Nancy
Petrigno, Peter
Rombeau, Catherine
Seibert, Christine
Telerski, Laura
Dolan, William

Nutting-Wong, Allison
Booras, Efstathia
Calabro, Karen
Darby, Will
Elberger, Susan
Goley, Jeffrey
Harriott-Gathright, Linda
Juris, Louis
LeClerc, Daniel
Howard, Molly
McGhee, Kat
Nutter-Upham, Frances
Plamondon, Marc
Rung, Rosemarie
Sofikitis, Catherine
Tellez, Trinidad
Thomas, Wendy

Baroody, Benjamin
Bouchard, Donald
Chretien, Jacqueline
Devine, Shelley
Davis, Fred
Gregg, Alicia
Heath, Mary
Foxy, Loren
Leishman, Peter
Murray, Megan
Ming, Ben
O'Brien, Michael
Preece, David
Ryan, Linda
Spier, Carry
Vail, Suzanne
Wilhelm, Matthew

Beauchemin, Paige
Bouldin, Amanda
Cornell, Patricia
DiSilvestro, Linda
Freitas, Mary
Grill, Jessica
Jack, Martin
Lanza, Judi
Lloyd, Christal
MacKenzie, Mark
Morton, Jennifer
Pedersen, Michael
Newman, Ray
Newman, Sue
Staub, Kathy
Veilleux, Daniel

MERRIMACK

Turcotte, Alisson
Ebel, Karen
Hicks, Matthew
McWilliams, Rebecca
Gould, Sherry
Shurtleff, Steve

Brennan, Angela
Gallager, Eric
Lane, Connie
Myler, Mel
Schamberg, Thomas
Soucy, Timothy

Caplan, Tony
Gibbs, Merryl
Luneau, David
Payeur, Stephanie
Schuett, Dianne
Wallner, Mary Jane

Carey, Lorrie
Hall, Muriel
MacKay, James
Roesener, James
Schultz, Kristina

ROCKINGHAM

Balboni, Peggy
Grossman, Gaby
Murray, Kate
Maggiore, Jim
Muns, Chris
Read, Ellen
Vose, Michael

DiLorenzo, Charlotte
Grote, Jaci
Knab, Allison
Malloy, Dennis
O'Neil, Candice
Simpson, Alexis
Ward, Gerald

Edgar, Michael
Hamblet, Joan
Cahill, Michael
Manos, Zoe
Rafter, Hal
Turer, Eric

Gilman, Julie
Haskins, Linda
Paige, Mark
Meuse, David
Raynolds, Ned
Vallone, Mark

STRAFFORD

Bay, Luz
Cannon, Gerri
Howard, Heath
LaMontagne, Jessica
Pare, Gail
Wall, Janet

Bickford, David
Conlin, Bill
Horriggan, Timothy
Levesque, Cassandra
Pitre, Joseph

Bixby, Peter
Fitzpatrick, Daniel
Howland, Allan
Smith, Marjorie
Selig, Loren

Rich, Cecilia
Grassie, Chuck
Kenney, Cam
Schmidt, Peter
Southworth, Thomas

SULLIVAN

Sullivan, Brian
Palmer, William

Cloutier, John
Tanner, Linda

Damon, Hope

Merchant, Gary

NAYS - 162**BELKNAP**

Bean, Harry
Dumais, Russell
Ploszaj, Tom

Bordes, Mike
Harvey-Bolia, Juliet

Coker, Matthew
McCarter, Nikki

Comtois, Barbara
Nagel, David

CARROLL

Avellani, Lino
MacDonald, John
Brown, Richard

Belcher, Mike
Smith, Jonathan

Cordelli, Glenn
McConkey, Mark

Costable, Michael
Peternel, Katy

CHESHIRE

Qualey, James	Rhodes, Jennifer	Santonastaso, Matthew
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COOS

Davis, Arnold	Durkin, Sean	Murphy, Michael	Ouellet, Mike
King, Seth	Tierney, James		

GRAFTON

Berezhny, Lex	Coulon, Matthew	Greeson, Jeffrey	Ladd, Rick
Sellers, John	Simon, Matthew		

HILLSBOROUGH

Lekas, Alicia	Abare, Kimberly	Ammon, Keith	Boyd, Bill
King, Bill	Berry, Ross	Boehm, Ralph	Colcombe, Riché
Corcoran, Travis	Creighton, Jim	Kelley, Diane	Erf, Keith
Fedolfi, Jim	Griffin, Gerald	Gagne, Larry	Gorski, Ted
Healey, Robert	Kennedy, Stephen	Kofalt, Jim	Lascelles, Richard
Lewicke, John	Mazur, Lisa	McGough, Tim	McLean, Mark
Mooney, Maureen	Noble, Kristin	Notter, Jeanine	Pauer, Diane
Plett, Fred	Post, Lisa	Proulx, Mark	Prout, Andrew
Reid, Karen	Renzullo, Andrew	Seidel, Sheila	Sheehan, Vanessa
Sirois, Shane	Lekas, Tony	Mannion, Tom	Tenczar, Jeffrey
Ulery, Jordan	Wheeler, Jonah		

MERRIMACK

Andrus, Louise	Aures, Cyril	Aylward, Deborah	McGuire, Carol
Cambrils, Jose	McGuire, Dan	Gerhard, Jason	Hill, Gregory
Hoell, J.R.	Leavitt, John	Mason, James	Moffett, Michael
Polozov, Yuri	Boyd, Stephen	Seaworth, Brian	See, Alvin
Walsh, Thomas	Wood, Clayton		

ROCKINGHAM

Ball, Lorie	Bernardy, JD	Brouillard, Jacob	Mannion, Dennis
Thomas, Douglas	DeSimone, Debra	Donnelly, Tanya	Doucette, Fred
Drago, Mike	Dunn, Ron	Edwards, Jess	Emerick, Tracy
Harb, Robert	Nelson, Jodi	Janigian, John	Janvrin, Jason
Perez, Kristine	Katsakiores, Phyllis	Khan, Aboul	Walsh, Lilli
Layon, Erica	Love, David	Lynn, Bob	Pearson, Mark
McDonnell, Valerie	McMahon, Charles	Melvin, Charles	Ford, Oliver
Osborne, Jason	Phillips, Emily	Popovici-Muller, Daniel	Porcelli, Susan
Potucek, John	Pratt, Kevin	Quaratiello, Arlene	Roy, Terry
Pearson, Stephen	Soti, Julius	Spillane, James	Summers, James
Sweeney, Joe	Sytek, John	Cahill, Tim	Tripp, Richard
Tudor, Paul	Verville, Kevin	MacDonald, Wayne	Wallace, Scott
Weyler, Kenneth	Yokela, Josh		

STRAFFORD

Ankarberg, Aidan	Bailey, Glenn	Burnham, Claudine	Connor, James
Granger, Michael	Harrington, Michael	Horgan, James	Kaczynski, Thomas
Turcotte, Len	Newton, Clifford	Phinney, Brandon	Potenza, Kelley

SULLIVAN

Aron, Judy	Drye, Margaret	Rollins, Skip	Smith, Steven
Spilsbury, Walter	Stapleton, Walter	Stone, Jonathan	

and the motion was adopted.

Rep. Cushman voted Yea and intended to vote Nay.

CLERK'S NOTE

The entire debate on HB 1419-FN, relative to prohibiting obscene or harmful sexual materials in schools, has been included and is located earlier in this Journal.

REGULAR CALENDAR CONT'D**HR 19, calling for the repeal of the Jones Act. WITHOUT RECOMMENDATION**

Statement in support of Ought to Pass: The Jones Act—shorthand for the Merchant Marine Act of 1920—provides a lesson on how economic controls can backfire. The Jones Act is described by the U.S. Department of Homeland Security as a protectionist policy intended to protect and develop the American merchant marine and U.S. shipbuilding. Protectionist elements of the Jones Act include requirements that ships transporting goods within the United States must be U.S.-crewed, U.S.-owned, and U.S.-built. These provisions are unnecessary and counterproductive. Jones Act defenders allege that requiring the use of U.S. crews for domestic waterborne shipping

protects Americans against foreign terrorists and spies freely traversing the Mississippi River disguised as ship operators. This is largely a scare tactic. With or without the Jones Act, it is illegal for someone to work in the United States without a Permanent Resident Card, a work permit, or an employment-related visa. This is true whether they are transporting merchandise between U.S. ports or employed in any other job. The Jones Act's requirement that ships transporting goods between domestic ports must be U.S.-owned deprives the industry of beneficial foreign investment. Areas of the economy that are open to foreign investment account for 7.1 million U.S. jobs. As other analysts have pointed out, removing ownership limits would provide more opportunities for Americans involved in domestic waterborne transportation to also benefit from job-creating foreign investment. As with foreign investment in other U.S. industries, ownership of vessels providing waterborne transportation would be screened by the Committee on Foreign Investment in the United States (CFIUS) to mitigate national security risks. Additionally, it has been argued that modern ownership arrangements render the Jones Act's ownership requirement obsolete. The most-criticized element of the Jones Act has been its ban on the use of foreign-built ships for domestic shipping. This is a unique regulatory barrier. No similar restrictions apply to the domestic transportation of merchandise by air, rail, or truck. As a result, Americans pay inflated prices for ships. According to a 2017 Congressional Research Service report, coastal-size containerships built in the United States cost six to eight times more than comparable foreign-built ships. The argument made by proponents of the Jones Act is simple: The United States needs a strong shipbuilding industry, and the way to realize this goal is by freeing it of the obligation to compete with foreign shipbuilders. But high tariffs don't necessarily make industries stronger. They often actually make them weaker. By reducing competition, the Jones Act reduces the incentive for U.S. shipbuilders to innovate. Foreign car competition, for example, has prompted American car manufacturers to improve. That people could buy Toyotas instead of Fords made Ford a better comp any. According to the U.S. Maritime Administration, the United States non-defense oceangoing vessel fleet declined from 193 ships in 2000 to 96 as of October 2018. And our Navy is down to around 280 ships. China is pushing 500. So, our great decline in domestic shipbuilding creates national security issues as well as economic issues. Some of the strongest transportation manufacturing industries in the United States operate in a low-tariff environment. U.S. production of aircraft, railroad rolling stock, automobiles, and heavy-duty trucks has been increasing, even though the government does not force Americans to use U.S.-built planes, trains, or automobiles when transporting cargo, as it does with ships. Moreover, the effective tariff rate for imported recreational boats is just 1 percent, but 95 percent of the recreational boats sold domestically are made in the USA. Clearly, American manufacturers don't require high tariffs to be successful—in fact, their success is contingent upon low trade barriers that foster innovation and competition and quality products. Here's a specific example of how the Jones Act hurts America. A Washington State fishing company, Fisherman's Finest, commissioned a new ship from Dakota Creek Industries. However, because 7 percent of the ship's steel was from Holland, the ship was not allowed to fish in U.S. coastal waters. Trade barriers undermine U.S. security by weakening the economy and creating conflict with our allies. Here in New England, we need fuel oil and natural gas. Pipelines are great, but they are largely tapped out and regulations make it hard to build new ones. We'd love to have a pipeline come through New York but politicians there won't let it happen. So, we depend on fuel supply coming via ship. We've fortunately had a mild winter so far. But an extended cold snap could create havoc. A recent Wall Street Journal article stated that Jones Act limitations add costs that encourage fuel to be exported overseas. Citigroup's global head of commodity research told the paper, "The Gulf Coast is not selling [diesel] to Philadelphia or New York." They're selling it to Holland. Then fuel-laden ships that satisfy the Jones Act bring that fuel here to the northeast from Holland. It's absurd. It's costly. And it's bad economics. The Jones Act is over 100 years old. Instead of receiving unending protection from international competition, shipbuilders should operate in the same low-tariff policy under which manufacturers of trucks, automobiles, aircraft, and other industries are thriving. The Jones Act should not be allowed to inflict another 100 years of damage to the U.S. economy.

Rep. Michael Moffett

Statement in support of Inexpedient to Legislate: This resolution calls for the federal government to repeal the Jones Act. The act requires goods transported between American ports be transported on ships built and crewed by American citizens or permanent residents. An estimated 650,000 American jobs are protected by the act, including 1,200 New Hampshire jobs which generate \$72 million for the state. Last year, this body rejected a proposed study commission concerning the Jones Act's energy and heating costs because the costs of that commission were excessive. Those excessive costs were due to the state's limitations: the Jones Act touches upon national security, international trade, the global environment, and the economy. This body lacks the organizational capacity to opine on matters that complex. However, as a state legislative body, we do have the organizational capacity and responsibility to offer this opinion: we can and must protect this state's economy.

Rep. Shaun Filiault

Rep. Moffett moved Ought to Pass.

Rep. Carey spoke against.

Reps. Harrington and Dan McGuire spoke in favor.

Rep. Moffett requested a roll call; sufficiently seconded.

YEAS 165 - NAYS 180**YEAS - 165
BELKNAP**

Bean, Harry
Harvey-Bolia, Juliet

Coker, Matthew
McCarter, Nikki

Comtois, Barbara
Nagel, David

Dumais, Russell
Ploszaj, Tom

CARROLL

Avellani, Lino
MacDonald, John

Belcher, Mike
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Lascelles, Richard
McGough, Tim
Notter, Jeanine
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Seidel, Sheila
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Abare, Kimberly
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Cushman, Leah
Fedolfi, Jim
Healey, Robert
Leishman, Peter
McLean, Mark
Pauer, Diane
Proulx, Mark
Sheehan, Vanessa
Tenczar, Jeffrey

Ammon, Keith
Colcombe, Riché
Kelley, Diane
Griffin, Gerald
Kennedy, Stephen
Lewicke, John
Mooney, Maureen
Plamondon, Marc
Prout, Andrew
Sirois, Shane
Ulery, Jordan

Boyd, Bill
Corcoran, Travis
Darby, Will
Gagne, Larry
Kofalt, Jim
Mazur, Lisa
Noble, Kristin
Plett, Fred
Renzullo, Andrew
Lekas, Tony
Wheeler, Jonah

MERRIMACK

Andrus, Louise
Cambriels, Jose
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Polozov, Yury
Wood, Clayton

Aures, Cyril
McGuire, Dan
Leavitt, John
Boyd, Stephen

Aylward, Deborah
Gerhard, Jason
Mason, James
See, Alvin

McGuire, Carol
Hill, Gregory
Moffett, Michael
Walsh, Thomas

ROCKINGHAM

Ball, Lorie
Thomas, Douglas
Doucette, Fred
Emerick, Tracy
Janigian, John
Khan, Aboul
Lynn, Bob
Melvin, Charles
Popovici-Muller, Daniel
Pearson, Stephen
Sweeney, Joe
Tudor, Paul
Wallace, Scott

Bernardy, JD
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Drago, Mike
Grote, Jaci
Janvrin, Jason
Walsh, Lilli
Pearson, Mark
Ford, Oliver
Porcelli, Susan
Soti, Julius
Sytek, John
Verville, Kevin
Weyler, Kenneth

Brouillard, Jacob
DiLorenzo, Charlotte
Dunn, Ron
Harb, Robert
Perez, Kristine
Layon, Erica
McDonnell, Valerie
Osborne, Jason
Potucek, John
Spillane, James
Cahill, Tim
Vose, Michael
Yokela, Josh

Mannion, Dennis
Donnelly, Tanya
Edwards, Jess
Nelson, Jodi
Katsakiores, Phyllis
Love, David
McMahon, Charles
Phillips, Emily
Raynolds, Ned
Summers, James
Tripp, Richard
MacDonald, Wayne

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Ankarberg, Aidan
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Kaczynski, Thomas
Schmidt, Peter

Bailey, Glenn
Granger, Michael
Turcotte, Len
Phinney, Brandon

Bickford, David
Harrington, Michael
Smith, Marjorie
Pitre, Joseph

Burnham, Claudine
Horgan, James
Newton, Clifford
Potenza, Kelley

SULLIVAN

Aron, Judy
Spilsbury, Walter

Drye, Margaret
Stapleton, Walter

Rollins, Skip
Stone, Jonathan

Smith, Steven

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BELKNAP**

Bogert, Steven

Bordes, Mike

Huot, David

St. Clair, Charlie

CARROLL

Buco, Thomas
Brown, Richard

Burroughs, Anita
Woodcock, Stephen

Paige, David

McAleer, Chris

CHESHIRE

Ames, Richard
Faulkner, Barry
Monteil, Renee
Schapiro, Joe

Harvey, Cathryn
Germana, Nicholas
Newell, Jodi
Tatro, Bruce

Fox, Dru
Hunt, John
Parshall, Lucius
Toll, Amanda

Eaton, Daniel
Jones, Philip
Rhodes, Jennifer
Weber, Lucy

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Cascadden, Corinne
Tierney, James

Kelley, Eamon

Noël, Henry

King, Seth

GRAFTON

Almy, Susan
Fellows, Sallie
Lovett, Peter
Stavis, Laurel

Baldwin, Heather
Hakken-Phillips, Mary
Massimilla, Linda
Stringham, Jerry

Bolton, Bill
Hoyt, Tommy
Morse, Corinne
Sykes, George

Cormen, Thomas
Murphy, James
Muirhead, Russell

HILLSBOROUGH

Murray, Alissandra
Beaulieu, Jane
Bradley, Amy
Devine, Shelley
Davis, Fred
Gregg, Alicia
Heath, Mary
Foxx, Loren
Lloyd, Christal
MacKenzie, Mark
Morton, Jennifer
Pedersen, Michael
Reid, Karen
Newman, Sue
Staub, Kathy
Veilleux, Daniel

Nutting-Wong, Allison
Booras, Efstathia
Calabro, Karen
DiSilvestro, Linda
Freitas, Mary
Grill, Jessica
Jack, Martin
Lanza, Judi
Long, Patrick
Mangipudi, Latha
Murphy, Nancy
Petrigno, Peter
Rombeau, Catherine
Seibert, Christine
Tellerski, Laura
Dolan, William

Baroody, Benjamin
Bouchard, Donald
Chretien, Jacqueline
Dutzy, Sherry
Gibbons, Candace
Hamer, Heidi
Smith, Juliet
Leapley, Nicole
Howard, Molly
McGhee, Kat
Nutter-Upham, Frances
Preece, David
Rung, Rosemarie
Sofikitis, Catherine
Tellez, Trinidad
Thomas, Wendy

Beauchemin, Paige
Bouldin, Amanda
Cornell, Patricia
Elberger, Susan
Goley, Jeffrey
Harriott-Gathright, Linda
Juris, Louis
LeClerc, Daniel
Murray, Megan
Ming, Ben
O'Brien, Michael
Newman, Ray
Ryan, Linda
Spier, Carry
Vail, Suzanne
Wilhelm, Matthew

MERRIMACK

Turcotte, Alisson
Ebel, Karen
Hicks, Matthew
McWilliams, Rebecca
Gould, Sherry
Shurtleff, Steve

Brennan, Angela
Gallager, Eric
Lane, Connie
Myler, Mel
Schamberg, Thomas
Soucy, Timothy

Caplan, Tony
Gibbs, Merryl
Luneau, David
Payeur, Stephanie
Schuett, Dianne
Wallner, Mary Jane

Carey, Lorrie
Hall, Muriel
MacKay, James
Roesener, James
Schultz, Kristina

ROCKINGHAM

Balboni, Peggy
Hamblet, Joan
Cahill, Michael
Manos, Zoe
Pratt, Kevin
Simpson, Alexis

Edgar, Michael
Haskins, Linda
Paige, Mark
Meuse, David
Rafter, Hal
Turer, Eric

Gilman, Julie
Murray, Kate
Maggiore, Jim
Muns, Chris
Read, Ellen
Vallone, Mark

Grossman, Gaby
Knab, Allison
Malloy, Dennis
O'Neil, Candice
Roy, Terry
Ward, Gerald

STRAFFORD

Bay, Luz
Conlin, Bill
Horrigan, Timothy
Levesque, Cassandra
Wall, Janet

Bixby, Peter
Fitzpatrick, Daniel
Howland, Allan
Pare, Gail

Rich, Cecilia
Grassie, Chuck
Kenney, Cam
Selig, Loren

Cannon, Gerri
Howard, Heath
LaMontagne, Jessica
Southworth, Thomas

SULLIVAN

Sullivan, Brian
Palmer, William

Cloutier, John
Tanner, Linda

Damon, Hope

Merchant, Gary

and the motion failed.

Rep. Shurtleff moved Inexpedient to Legislate.

Motion was adopted.

MOTION TO RECONSIDER

Having voted with the prevailing side, Rep. Simpson moved that the House reconsider its action whereby, on a roll call vote of 196-151, the House adopted the motion of Ought to Pass on **HCR 11**, condemning medically unnecessary restrictions on medication abortion.

Rep. Simpson spoke against.

On a division vote, with 156 members having voted in the affirmative, and 187 in the negative, the motion failed.

BILL REMOVED FROM THE CONSENT CALENDAR

HB 1152, enabling the mental health flag to be flown at the state house. **INEXPEDIENT TO LEGISLATE.** Rep. John Sellers for Legislative Administration. The committee heard the sponsors' testimony that flying a flag over the State House would bring statewide recognition to the very important issue of mental health. The committee believes recognition and support can be achieved in many ways and there are so many other causes that are equally deserving of a flag flying over the State House. We recognize the impossible task of picking winners and losers with a limited number of flag flying days over the State House and many organizations with flags. The committee unanimously voted to hold the line and remain consistent and support our existing US flag, the state flag, and the POW/MIA flag. Finally, we have it on good authority the Historical Committee authorizes the use of all the other flagpoles around the State House campus. Vote 14-0.

The question being adoption of the committee report of Inexpedient to Legislate.

Rep. McLean spoke against.

Rep. Hunt spoke in favor.

Committee report was adopted.

MOTION TO PRINT DEBATE

Rep. Alicia Lekas moved that the debate on **HCR 11**, condemning medically unnecessary restrictions on medication abortion, be printed in the Permanent Journal.

Without objection, the Speaker ordered.

DEBATE ON HCR 11

Speaker Packard: Rep. Seibert moves Ought to Pass. The Chair recognizes Rep. Simon.

Representative Simon: Thank you, Mister Speaker. Mister Speaker, language is a powerful tool. With it, we can use words to construct ideas, invoke emotions, activate the imagination and shape not only the way millions of people think, but also what they believe. That a well-crafted message can accomplish this is evidenced by the existence of a multi billion-dollar marketing industry. HCR 11 and abortion messaging in general gives us a master class in this. With just a few simple phrases, supporters have been able to effectively shape the conversation and, in many cases, have captured people's imagination around this issue. For example, they say that abortion is safe, essential reproductive health care, a private medical decision between a mother and her physician. These are all attractive propositions that when taken at face value, I would agree with, wouldn't you? Now, as this resolution puts it, abortion is essential to protecting an individual's freedom to control their own body, life and future. It's an appealing conceit that one could actually control these things. After all, life is full of dangers and difficulties. It's riddled by fear and uncertainty and in it there is no lack of pain, toil or tragedy. If abortion could actually eliminate these problems, then abortion would afford a kind of freedom to those who get one that has otherwise been unknown to mankind. Without question, abortion would not only be a good, but one might argue, it would border on the miraculous. So, if that was the actual reality of abortion, then I would not oppose it. However, I've never been able to shake off the idea that these statements do not accurately reflect what an abortion is. That perhaps these phrases are simply empty platitudes. For all the carefully crafted language of HCR 11, a document that is designed to appeal to our sense of empathy and fairness, it seems to me that there is one very small but significant detail missing, the direct object of the abortion. The human child. The human child that is the result of the reproduction that has already occurred. So, if a human child is the result of reproduction and abortion is the ending of that very same reproduction, then I am left with this haunting thought. Are we killing innocent human children to solve our problems? Are we killing innocent human children to mitigate the dangers and difficulties of life? Are we killing innocent children to assuage our fears and uncertainties? Are we killing innocent children under the misconception that has the power to remove pain and toil from our futures? Mister Speaker, I am convinced that the answer to these questions is a resounding yes. When I look at this resolution, every word seems to confirm it. It jumps out at me from every line. One of the central tenants of HCR 11 seems to be that abortion is necessary to avoid poverty and hardship and ensure an unencumbered life defined by pleasure. Even if this were true, which it isn't, tell me is this all that it means to be human? Looking into our past, starting with our own parents and tracing our family lines back to the dawn of humanity, is there anyone here that can say with any level of confidence that there was no one in your family history who ever endured poverty so that you could be here today? That none of them ever sacrificed when it was inconvenient? That none of them delayed pleasure or

for seasons of their life encumbered themselves for the sake of their descendants? Aren't we grateful for this? Don't we honor them for the sacrifices they made, which we are the beneficiaries? Don't we owe the same life-giving selflessness to the next generation? But some will say, surely these people are too little to actually be people. Let me ask you, when do we become people? When do we cease to be a potential medical procedure for our mothers? Mister Speaker, here's what I know. I know that when my father's sperm and my mother's egg connected in that literal flash of light, my life began just as yours did for you, did it not? If within weeks of that moment your light had been snuffed out, what would that have meant for you? Would you have just been put on some sort of pause? As though ready to join the world, people suddenly told you oh not yet, we're not ready for you yet. So, you simply hung around the waiting room until your mother got pregnant again at a convenient time? Or Would you just be dead? The next time your mother got pregnant, if we sought for you, would we have found you? Or would the child that emerged from the womb be a totally different person? I do not oppose abortion out of any desire to control women's bodies or to assert myself into legitimate medial decisions that occur between a woman and her doctor. But I will stand up and speak when I read that 5 million women have used this abortion medication, which the resolution describes as safe and effective. And I know it has caused the death of at least one person every time it has been used. When I know in fact that is its very purpose. I stand up here knowing that I will once again have to endure a cold shoulder, eye rolls, angry tweets, character assassination attempts and calls for my seat. But these things are less than nothing to me because when I look into the depth of my daughter's eyes I see my children's, children's children's children and with them myriads of others. Mister Speaker, I can see them, but not now. I can behold them, but not near. Nevertheless, the glory of God their Creator shines upon them from generation to generation and in the warmth of His love and light, I love them. So, I stand. Mister Speaker, as a member of this House and therefore as a person who has been endowed with authority, and Mister Speaker as someone who has been asked to give my support to a resolution that calls it a good to direct the power of the sword in the form of a pill against those of us too young to have ever have done anything good or evil, paying the price for our problems with their lives, would we declare without equivocation or shame that we will build a better world with a mountain of their dead bodies? What choice do I have Mister Speaker? Other than to ethically and emphatically vote no. I urge my colleagues to press the red button so a better motion can be made.

Speaker Packard: The Chair recognizes Rep. Simpson.

Representative Simpson: Thank you, Mister Speaker. I rise in support of HCR 11, a resolution condemning medically unnecessary restrictions on mifepristone, the first pill of medication abortion. In 1991, New Hampshire was the first state in the country to pass a resolution, which was also HCR 11, urging the US FDA to conduct clinical trials on mifepristone and to encourage its use due to the significant medical value. This was a bipartisan vote because, as we know, New Hampshire had enjoyed for so long broad bipartisan support for abortion. I introduced this resolution because of the significant threat we face right now as a country, including here in New Hampshire. The US Supreme Court has its first abortion case since they overturned Roe v. Wade, and the decision is expected in June. The case was brought forward by anti-abortion activists and could removed mifepristone from the market everywhere, including in states where abortion is legal, like here in New Hampshire. The case ignores science and is entirely based on anti-abortion bias. In fact, just last week, two studies cited as justification to restrict mifepristone were retracted. Here are the facts. Since the FDA approved mifepristone over 20 years ago, 5 million people have used mifepristone, a prescribed drug, a prescribed drug for a variety of purposes. Mifepristone is the first pill of medication abortion and is only available up until the 11th week of a pregnancy. Mifepristone is also used for miscarriage management. We continue to hear stories of women in states where abortion is banned being unable to get miscarriage care because the medication mifepristone is the same one used for abortion. We should not have Granite Staters facing those same threats. Another use of mifepristone, the one mentioned in a committee report, as something we can all agree on for today's vote is for ectopic pregnancies. But I want to be clear, the US Supreme Court's upcoming decision will impact mifepristone overall, not pick and choose which medical procedures are available. In other words, patients who have an ectopic pregnancy can be affected by the supreme court case. Mifepristone is extremely safe, safer than Tylenol for example. It is effective and its approval should not be affected by the whims of bad actors across the country. We should oppose these tactics to pass a de facto nationwide abortion ban. If mifepristone is banned, the results could have major implications that go far beyond abortion care. We should all be able to agree that one judge in Texas shouldn't have the authority to undermine the entire drug approval system. We have the opportunity today to send a message to Washington, but even more important, to send a message to our constituents. Where do we, as the New Hampshire House, stand on medication abortion? Do we support abortion early in pregnancy, specifically abortion up until the 11th week? If we do, the vote is easy, and we pass this resolution in a strong bipartisan vote. I've heard many colleagues speak about our current abortion ban, promising not to change it. Today all of us can demonstrate that we will fight against restrictions on abortion early in pregnancy. We can show that we will do everything in our power as a legislature to protect Granite State patients who need medication abortion, health care for uterine fibroids, medication for miscarriage management and a critical medication for ectopic pregnancies. I urge you to join me and support the Ought to Pass motion on HCR 11. Mister Speaker, I request a roll call vote.

Speaker Packard: The motion before us Ought to Pass on HCR 11. Rep. Simpson has requested a roll call. Is that sufficiently seconded? It is sufficiently seconded. This will be a roll call vote. The motion before us is Ought to Pass on HCR 11. This is a roll call vote. The Chair recognizes Rep. Peternel for a parliamentary inquiry.

Representative Peternel: Mister Speaker, if I know that the committee attempted to amend HCR 11 to support the use of mifepristone as medically indicated for use in ectopic pregnancy, certain uterine anomalies and large fibroids. If I know that mifepristone used with the intention of causing an abortion has an almost 100% fatality rate to the child in utero. If I know that 4 million women have been convinced to take this drug because they bought the lie that if allowed the gift of life, their children would prevent them from equal participation in social and economic life. If I know that prescribing mifepristone to survivors of rape and domestic violence to avoid detection, protects the perpetrator from detection and punishment. And if I know that the legislature should oppose the weaponization of resolutions that seek to tip the scales of justice and distant circuit courts, would I now vote to overturn the Ought to Pass motion and press the red button?

Speaker Packard: The Chair recognizes Rep. Seibert for a parliamentary inquiry.

Representative Seibert: Thank you, Mister Speaker. Mister Speaker, if I know that HCR 11 is in line with what this body did in 1991 when they passed a resolution to urge the FDA to conduct clinical trials for mifepristone due to its significant medical value. And if I know that the US Supreme Court currently has a case that could take mifepristone off the market, including here in New Hampshire. And if I know that mifepristone is also used for uterine fibroids, ectopic pregnancies, miscarriage management and medication abortion only up until the 11th week of pregnancy. And, finally Mister Speaker, if I know the decision would affect patients that need to have access to lifesaving health care, would I now press the green button and vote Ought to Pass HCR 11? Thank you.

Speaker Packard: The motion before us is Ought to Pass on HCR 11. This is a roll call vote. If you are in favor, you'll press the green button. If you are opposed, you'll press the red button. Voting stations are open for 30 seconds. Have all members present had the opportunity to vote? The House will attend to the state of the vote. 196 voting Yea, 151 voting Nay, the motion of Ought to Pass passes.

RESOLUTION

Rep. Osborne offered the following: RESOLVED, that the House now adjourn from the early session, that the business of the late session be in order at the present time, that the reading of bills be by title only and resolutions by caption only and that all bills ordered to third reading be read a third time by this resolution, and that all titles of bills be the same as adopted, and that they be passed at the present time, and when the House adjourns today it be to meet, Thursday, February 22, 2024 at 9:00 a.m.

Motion was adopted.

LATE SESSION

Third Reading and Final Passage

HB 1069, relative to material subject to disclosure under the right-to-know law.

HB 1055, relative to the property tax exemption for charitable organizations.

HB 1043, relative to the capital appropriations for the legislative parking garage design and police standards and training council facility improvements.

HB 1078, directing the division of emergency services and communications to examine gaps in radio and broadband communications coverage with a focus on the needs of first responders.

HR 24, reaffirming support for the child labor amendment to the United States Constitution.

HR 28, urging for the compensation for injuries from PFAS and for the closure and cleaning of sites affected by PFAS.

HB 1533-FN, relative to the safe harbor compensation amount under the business profits tax.

HB 1524, relative to authorizing parents of special education children to observe in the classroom setting.

HB 1696, relative to local records retention.

HCR 11, condemning medically unnecessary restrictions on medication abortion.

RECESS MOTION

Rep. Osborne moved that the House stand in recess for the purposes of the introduction of bills, enrolled bill amendments, enrolled bill reports, vacate motions and receiving messages.

Motion was adopted.

The House recessed at 6:15 p.m.

RECESS

(Speaker Packard in the Chair)

ENROLLED BILL REPORT

The Committee on Enrolled Bills has examined and found correctly enrolled Senate Bill numbered 255.
Rep. Osborne, Sen. Avard for the Committee

SENATE MESSAGE

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HB 307-FN, relative to attorney's fees in actions under the right to know law.

RECESS