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Meetings and Notices**

HOUSE CALENDAR

MEMBERS OF THE HOUSE:

The next House session will be on **Thursday, April 19th**, at 10:00 a.m. The House will also be in session on April 26th, May 2nd and May 3rd.

I would like to thank the chairs, vice chairs and committee members for making a yeoman's effort to get bills out of committee and on to the clerk so we can proceed through our last few days in an orderly, less stressful fashion. Please make every effort to attend the remaining session days and committee executive sessions.

Gene G. Chandler, Speaker

NOTICE

Chairs and vice chairs will not be meeting on **Tuesday, April 17th**, or any other day that week.

Gene G. Chandler, Speaker

NOTICE

There will be a Republican caucus on **Thursday, April 19th at 9:00 a.m.** in Representatives Hall.

Rep. Dick Hinch

NOTICE

There will be a Democratic caucus on **Thursday, April 19th at 9:00 a.m.** in Rooms 210-211, LOB.

Rep. Stephen Shurtleff

NOTICE

ALL reports, scheduling and notices are due in the House Clerk's Office by **3:00 p.m. on WEDNESDAYS**. Reports and scheduling shall be turned in to House Committee Services for processing ***no later than 1:00 p.m.*** on Wednesday. Please be sure to complete that work in a timely fashion to meet the Calendar deadline.

CLOSES AT 3:00 p.m. ON:

Wednesday, April 18, 2018

Wednesday, April 25, 2018

Wednesday, May 2, 2018

AVAILABLE ON:

Friday, April 20, 2018

Friday, April 27, 2018

Friday, May 4, 2018

Paul C. Smith, Clerk of the House

2018 HOUSE DEADLINES

Thursday, April 26, 2018

Thursday, May 3, 2018

Thursday, May 10, 2018

Thursday, May 17, 2018

Thursday, May 24, 2018

Last day to report all remaining Senate Bills

Last day to act on all remaining Senate Bills

Last day to form committees of conference

Last day to sign committee of conference reports (4:00 p.m.)

Last day to act on committee of conference reports

BILLS LAID ON TABLE

HB 156-FN, including a fetus in the definition of “another” for purposes of certain criminal offenses. (Pending Question: Inexpedient To Legislate)

HB 236, relative to determination of parental rights and responsibilities and establishing a presumption in favor of shared residential responsibility. (No Pending Question)

HB 249, relative to showing a ballot. (Pending Question: Inexpedient To Legislate)

HB 477, relative to free speech on campuses in the university system and the community college system. (Pending Question: Refer for Interim Study)

HB 505, establishing an independent commission as an additional authorizing entity for chartered public schools. (Pending Question: Refer for Interim Study)

HB 579-FN, relative to registration of semi-trailers. (Pending Question: Inexpedient To Legislate)

HB 1210, establishing a committee to study the effect of current use taxation on small and rural municipalities. (Pending Question: Ought To Pass with Amendment)

HB 1259, relative to passenger restraints. (Pending Question: Inexpedient To Legislate)

HB 1275, relative to the placement of minors at the Sununu Youth Drug Treatment Center. (Pending Question: Inexpedient To Legislate)

HB 1301-FN, including the legislature as a public employer under the public employee labor relations act. (Pending Question: Inexpedient To Legislate)

HB 1358, relative to decisions by the site evaluation committee. (Pending Question: Ought To Pass with Amendment)

HB 1381, relative to determining the taxable value of utility property for local property taxation. (Pending Question: Ought To Pass with Amendment)

HB 1412-FN, relative to cruelty to non-captive wildlife. (Pending Question: Refer for Interim Study).

HB 1470-FN, repealing the timber tax. (Pending Question: Inexpedient To Legislate)

HB 1511-FN, relative to the death of a fetus for the purpose of certain homicide charges. (Pending Question: Refer for Interim Study)

HB 1568-FN, allowing voters to register as members of political organizations. (Pending Question: Inexpedient To Legislate)

HB 1576, creating managed asset trusts for real property. (Pending Question: Inexpedient To Legislate)

HB 1680-FN, relative to abortions after viability. (Pending Question: Ought to Pass)

HB 1701, making the Coakley Landfill Group subject to the provisions of RSA 91-A. (Pending Question: Refer for Interim Study)

HB 1702, relative to the management of the Gunstock Area. (Pending Question: Inexpedient To Legislate)

HB 1728-FN-LOCAL, removing the homestead exemption. (Pending Question: Inexpedient To Legislate)

HB 1757-FN, relative to the reduction in the calculation of state retirement system annuities at age 65. (Pending Question: Ought To Pass with Amendment)

SB 33, relative to the definition of political advocacy organization. (Pending Question: Refer for Interim Study)

2018 HOUSE BILLS AMENDED BY THE SENATE

HB 143, relative to recommittal of a prisoner by the parole board. (House Concurs 3/15/2018)

HB 151, (New Title) establishing a committee to study the feasibility of using hemp in agricultural and industrial processes and to further study the licensing, registration, and permitting of industrial hemp growers. (SJ 1/3/2018)

HB 225-FN, (New Title) relative to information collection concerning electric renewable portfolio standards. (House Nonconcurs; C of C 4/12/2018)

HB 305, clarifying lessee liability for month-to-month leases. (House Concurs 4/5/2018)

HB 372, relative to construction of the terms “resident,” “inhabitant,” “residence,” and “residency.” (SJ 1/3/2018)

HB 390, (New Title) relative to parties on certain election forms and ballots. (SJ 1/3/2018)

HB 410, relative to the legislative youth advisory council. (House Concurs 4/12/2018)

HB 549-FN, relative to beverage vendor fees. (House Nonconcurs; C of C 3/21/2018)

HB 561-FN, (Second New Title) relative to part-time employment of a retirement system retiree by a participating employer. (House Nonconcurs; C of C 4/5/2018)

HB 1252-FN, relative to certificates of insurance. (House Concurs 4/12/2018)

HB 1273, (Second New Title) relative to licensure of health care professionals employed at the Manchester Veterans Affairs Medical Center. (SJ 4/5/2018)

HB 1278, (New Title) naming the rest area in Colebrook in honor of Frederick W. King, Sr. and naming a bridge in Farmington in honor of Major John W. Lawrence, Jr. (House Concurs 4/5/2018)

HB 1286, (New Title) relative to fishing and hunting licenses for permanently disabled veterans. (SJ 4/5/2018)

HB 1331, relative to incidental uses for agricultural plates. (SJ 4/5/2018)

HB 1346, (New Title) establishing a commission to study the New Hampshire veterans cemetery. (House Concurs 4/5/2018)

HB 1352-FN, (New Title) eliminating the nonresident freshwater bait dealers license and relative to hunting adventure permits. (SJ 4/5/2018)

HB 1370, relative to a school's emergency management plan. (House Concurs 3/21/2018)

HB 1651, (New Title) establishing a committee to study the use of liquid de-icers and solid salt on roads. (SJ 4/5/2018)

GOVERNOR'S VETO MESSAGE REGARDING HOUSE BILL 143

By the authority vested in me, pursuant to part II, Article 44 of the New Hampshire Constitution, on March 30th, 2018, I have vetoed House Bill 143, relative to recommitment of a prisoner by the Parole Board.

Current law provides that when a prisoner who is out on parole has their parole revoked, that prisoner must be recommitted for at least 90 days. RSA 651-A:19, VII allows the Parole Board to impose a term of recommitment of less than 90 days under certain conditions, including situations where the Parole Board determines that a lesser period of recommitment will aid in the rehabilitation of the parolee. House Bill 143 would expand these conditions by allowing the Parole Board to impose a recommitment period of less than 90 days for a prisoner who enters and successfully completes a residential substance abuse treatment program deemed acceptable by the Board.

While based on good intentions, this bill will have concerning consequences. It does not distinguish between individuals who have committed a crime related to substance abuse and those who have committed an unrelated crime. The bill also does not require the Parole Board to determine that a shorter recommitment period is necessary to assist a prisoner with their recovery efforts.

I fully support efforts to reduce recidivism among those suffering from substance abuse disorders by ensuring that such individuals have access to treatment. However, current law already gives the Parole Board the option of imposing shorter recommitment periods if they determine it will aid in the parolee's rehabilitation. Importantly, those who are incarcerated have access to many of the same treatment programs as those who are not.

It is concerning that there is strong opposition to this bill by law enforcement and at the same time, there are members of the recovery community who still have questions about its impacts. This only reinforces the conclusion that more due diligence is needed before we change current law.

For the reasons stated above, I have vetoed House Bill 143.

Respectfully submitted,
Christopher T. Sununu Governor
Date: April 2, 2018

THURSDAY, APRIL 19 CONSENT CALENDAR

CHILDREN AND FAMILY LAW

SB 310-FN, (New Title) establishing a committee to study the feasibility of establishing community-based services pilot programs. **OUGHT TO PASS.**

Rep. Skip Berrien for Children and Family Law. This legislation establishes a committee to study the feasibility of establishing a community based pilot service program to prevent children from entering the foster care system. **Vote 13-0.**

SB 489, establishing a committee to study parental alienation in New Hampshire. **OUGHT TO PASS WITH AMENDMENT.**

Rep. Daniel Itse for Children and Family Law. Parental alienation by one or both parents is an allegation that is often raised in divorce cases. RSA 461:1 Modification of Parental Right and Responsibility makes references to some of the behaviors that may be considered part of parental alienation, but no specific reference or definition is ever made. This bill creates a committee to define parental alienation and investigate the effects and remedies of parental alienation on children of separation or divorce of both minors and adults. **Vote 13-0.**

SB 496-FN, (Second New Title) relative to mediation for certain child support arrearages. **OUGHT TO PASS WITH AMENDMENT.**

Rep. Daniel Itse for Children and Family Law. This bill will limit the ability of child support arrearages to grow to insurmountable levels. It allows mediation of settlement of the arrearage when it has grown to 8 weeks of child support. However, it prevents modification of the child support order in the mediation, or ordering of mediation when there has been a finding of domestic violence unless both parties agree. **Vote 13-0.**

COMMERCE AND CONSUMER AFFAIRS

SB 319, relative to exempt securities. **OUGHT TO PASS.**

Rep. Kermit Williams for Commerce and Consumer Affairs. This bill exempts industrial development bonds and industrial revenue bonds from New Hampshire registration requirements. The Secretary of State's Securities Regulation Bureau believes that registration of these bonds is unnecessary, and that eliminating these requirements would make these bonds more marketable. **Vote 17-0.**

SB 332, relative to medication synchronization. **OUGHT TO PASS.**

Rep. Edward Butler for Commerce and Consumer Affairs. This bill will make it possible for consumers to work with their pharmacist, either local or mail-order, to synchronize the dispensing dates of the prescriptions that they get for chronic conditions. This will help make prescription ordering more efficient for our constituents (and us), who may currently have difficulty keeping track of multiple medication refill dates. The bill requires insurance carriers to allow such synchronization. **Vote 19-0.**

SB 348, relative to senior-specific certifications or designations for securities broker-dealers. **OUGHT TO PASS.**

Rep. Kermit Williams for Commerce and Consumer Affairs. This bill requires securities broker-dealers who hold themselves out as trained specialists to advise senior citizens on investment decisions to actually have the certification or training they claim. It also adds a provision specifying that claiming to be a trained specialist without proper certification is a dishonest and unethical practice in the securities business. **Vote 17-0.**

SB 429-FN, (New Title) establishing a consumer services program within the insurance department. **OUGHT TO PASS.**

Rep. Edward Butler for Commerce and Consumer Affairs. This bill puts into statute authorization for the Insurance Department to maintain their Consumer Services Unit, which is currently a functional area within the department. This unit addresses concerns of New Hampshire citizens, as well as businesses, regarding insurance issues in addition to providing general information when requested. The bill requires the commissioner to include in the annual report all action taken on complaints received by the Consumer Services Unit. **Vote 19-0.**

CRIMINAL JUSTICE AND PUBLIC SAFETY

SB 391-FN, (New Title) establishing a sexual assault survivors' rights commission. **OUGHT TO PASS WITH AMENDMENT.**

Rep. Shannon Chandley for Criminal Justice and Public Safety. This bill, as originally introduced in the Senate, included language to codify the rights of survivors of sexual assault as well as provisions to create a study commission. The Senate amended the bill to create only the study commission. After hearing significant and persuasive testimony, the committee determined that the protocol regarding the rights of survivors of sexual assault should be put into statute. This bill, as amended by the committee, ensures that sexual assault survivors' rights include best practices regarding medical treatment, evidence collection, its preservation and information. These include the right to a medical examination free of charge, the right to have a sexual assault evidence collection kit preserved for a set period, the right to be informed of the results of such kit and the right to be notified and to respond if the state intends to destroy the kit before the applicable expiration date. The survivor should also be informed of his or her rights. The committee amendment does not include the commission to study survivors' rights as the members believe that passage of the statutory requirements is sufficient to render the commission unnecessary at this time. **Vote 19-0.**

ELECTION LAW

SB 320, relative to checklists used at elections. **OUGHT TO PASS.**

Rep. Gregory Hill for Election Law. This is a housekeeping bill with no substantive changes to current law on voter checklists. The bill eliminates references to statutory provisions that no longer exist and it also clarified the scope of information on the checklist and checklist guidelines issued by the Secretary of State. **Vote 18-0.**

SB 363, prohibiting political expenditures by foreign nationals. **OUGHT TO PASS.**

Rep. Norman Silber for Election Law. This bill extends existing federal prohibitions on political expenditures by foreign nationals to the State of New Hampshire for its state elections. **Vote 18-0.**

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENTS AND ADMINISTRATION

SB 326, relative to the functions of the division of historical resources. **INEXPEDIENT TO LEGISLATE.**

Rep. Carol Roberts for Executive Departments and Administration. This bill provides that the NH Division of Historical Resources may provide assistance to entities seeking to participate in the federal Historic Preservation Tax Incentives program. The bill also provides that the division shall not establish historic preservation

criteria that are more stringent than the federal guidelines adopted by the National Park Service. The Park Service interacts with each state's Division of Historical Resources to manage projects and assists in providing oversight. The committee found that state organizations working with the National Park Service on historic preservation activities already defer to the national guidelines, making this bill redundant. The committee was also concerned that this might overrule local criteria, such as a designated historic district. **Vote 18-0.**

SB 327, relative to the medical review subcommittee of the board of medicine and time limits for allegations of professional misconduct before the board. **OUGHT TO PASS.**

Rep. John Sytek for Executive Departments and Administration. This bill makes two changes to the law establishing the Board of Medicine. First, it changes the requirement that one member of the Medical Review Subcommittee shall also be a member of the Board of Medicine. There were two reasons for this change according to testimony heard by the committee. First, the workload of the subcommittee has increased from about 200 to 600 cases per year, putting an increasing burden on the "swing member" (the member on both boards). Further the swing member, as an investigator, could not also vote in his/her capacity as a member of the Board of Medicine, the body charged with discipline. The second part of the bill changes the time for bringing a complaint to from 6 to 5 years. This is consistent with other professional boards. It was noted that the clock does not run from the time of an alleged incident, but rather from the time that such an event was "discoverable," thereby providing ample opportunity for redress. There was no testimony in opposition. **Vote 18-0.**

SB 374, relative to adoption of emergency medical and trauma services protocols. **OUGHT TO PASS WITH AMENDMENT.**

Rep. Mark Proulx for Executive Departments and Administration. This bill exempts adoption of emergency medical and trauma services protocols from the rulemaking process under RSA 541-A. These protocols are highly technical and need to be changed quickly and frequently, making them poor candidates for the rule-making process. The current protocol approval process includes detailed review by the technically qualified members of the Emergency Medical and Trauma Services Coordinating Board, and the Emergency Medical Services Medical Control Board, as well as the Commissioner of the Department of Safety. The committee amendment adds a provision requiring a public hearing prior to the adoption of minimum standards or protocols, using language that is already in statute. **Vote 18-0.**

SB 378-FN, relative to an exemption from the board of registration of medical technicians. **OUGHT TO PASS.**

Rep. Carol McGuire for Executive Departments and Administration. This bill exempts employees of medical laboratories, residential care facilities, adult day care services, and home health care providers from the need to register with the Board of Registration of Medical Technicians. Employees in these facilities do not meet the statutory definition of "medical technician" because they do not have access to controlled substances and access or contact with patients. Nonetheless, the board notified the employers last summer that registration is required, based on an erroneous interpretation of the law. The committee preferred to clarify the law, rather than rely on interpretation, since the original medical technician registry was intended to address actual medical providers. **Vote 18-0.**

SB 455, relative to state employees injured in the line of duty. **OUGHT TO PASS.**

Rep. Kristina Schultz for Executive Departments and Administration. This legislation closes an accidental loophole allowing a violation of privacy. This loophole was discovered when a nurse working at the NH State Hospital was injured by a patient. One morning she woke up to find the details of her injury, her home address and other personal details in the newspaper. Because the compensation for her injury was required to be reviewed and approved by the Governor and Executive Council, these details were on the agenda for the meeting when the compensation was reviewed and approved. This bill will limit the information listed on the agenda and the information given to the public to protect the privacy of injured workers. **Vote 9-2.**

SB 456, relative to the appointment of the state medical director for emergency medical services. **OUGHT TO PASS WITH AMENDMENT.**

Rep. Mark Proulx for Executive Departments and Administration. This bill turns the position of the state medical director for emergency medical services into a part-time position and repeals the requirement that the chairman of the emergency medical services medical control board shall serve as the medical director. It also makes the medical director a nonvoting member of the control board. The committee amendment moves the effective date to July 1, 2019, so that any expenses incurred by these changes can be included in the next budget **Vote 18-0.**

SB 458, authorizing the purchase of retirement system creditable service by a certain surviving spouse. **OUGHT TO PASS.**

Rep. John Sytek for Executive Departments and Administration. This bill allows the widow of a police officer to purchase up to one month of military service as creditable service time to allow for pension eligibility for her late husband. Such a program of buying service time existed in statute several years ago but was phased

out. The police officer had served in Afghanistan and was a Hampstead police officer at the time of his death. He had been a police officer for 9.91 years with 10 years being required for eligibility to receive a Group II pension. The officer's family would pay to the NH Retirement System (NHRS) an amount actuarially calculated to ensure no adverse effect on the NHRS. There were concerns that this bill would create a precedent and that a bill crafted for one person was not desirable, but the underlying equities of this situation were overriding considerations for the committee. **Vote 13-1.**

SB 507, proclaiming June as post-traumatic stress injury (PTSI) awareness month. **OUGHT TO PASS WITH AMENDMENT.**

Rep. Kristina Schultz for Executive Departments and Administration. Post Traumatic Stress Disorder (PTSD) plagues a number of people who serve our country, our state, and our local community. Soldiers, first responders and others who care for us on our worst days and encounter traumatic situations, might have PTSD as a result. This legislation formalizes PTSD Awareness Day and PTSD Awareness Month. As with any mental health diagnosis, we must defuse the stigmas that stop both the ability to understand and seek care for PTSD. This bill helps end stigmas by giving an official forum about PTSD. It provides a platform for experts to explain the symptoms, demonstrate that treatment for PTSD works, and encourage those in need of diagnosis and treatment to seek it. **Vote 11-0.**

SB 533-FN, relative to the composition and compensation of the personnel appeals board. **OUGHT TO PASS.**

Rep. Steven Beaudoin for Executive Departments and Administration. The Personnel Appeals Board hears appeals from state employees for disciplinary actions, terminations, suspensions, or letters of reprimand. For years the board has suffered from an inability to attract members, meet its workload, and meet a quorum. Since its formation in 1988, the compensation rate of \$100 per day per member has remained unchanged. This bill increases that amount to \$400 per day. The board has also seen a consistent increase in appeals. Adding a new member will allow the board to more easily meet the requirements for a quorum as well as allowing them to split the heavy research workload among more members. **Vote 11-0.**

HEALTH, HUMAN SERVICES AND ELDERLY AFFAIRS

SB 474, establishing a committee to study group home rate parity. **OUGHT TO PASS.**

Rep. Mariellen MacKay for Health, Human Services and Elderly Affairs. Residential placements give youth in need of these services and supports the opportunity to succeed and look forward to a bright future. This committee will meet to look into the rates, how they are set and structured, and to insure equality to all group homes while not losing the opportunity for charitable giving options. The term "group home" will also be finitely defined and concur with statutory language. **Vote 14-0.**

JUDICIARY

SB 389, relative to administrative fees on restitution. **OUGHT TO PASS.**

Rep. Kurt Wuelper for Judiciary. This bill clarifies the intent of RSA 651:63,V by clearly stating the administrative fee added to court ordered restitution is only applicable to offenders who have to pay through the Department of Corrections, Division of Field Services collection process. No such fee will be assessed when payment is immediate. The committee agreed the fee is primarily for the cost of collection and should not be charged to those who do not receive those services. **Vote 14-2.**

SB 395, (New Title) relative to access to records under the right-to-know law. **INEXPEDIENT TO LEGISLATE.**

Rep. Michael Sylvia for Judiciary. As amended by the Senate, this bill attempts to provide access to public records at alternative times and places. The prime sponsor testified against the bill, citing the lack of specific and workable resolutions to the underlying needs. **Vote 17-0.**

SB 493, establishing a committee to study the codification of the exculpatory evidence schedule and related law enforcement protocols. **OUGHT TO PASS WITH AMENDMENT.**

Rep. Paul Berch for Judiciary. This bill, as amended, clarifies the duties of the prosecutors, law enforcement officers and courts regarding the obligation to provide exculpatory evidence, while conforming New Hampshire law with the requirements of the Constitutions of New Hampshire and the United States. It provides clear definitions, protects confidentiality to the extent allowed by law, and protects law enforcement officers from improper discharge. **Vote 16-1.**

SB 498-FN, (New Title) requiring an annual report detailing activity related to forfeiture of personal property. **OUGHT TO PASS WITH AMENDMENT.**

Rep. Michael Sylvia for Judiciary. This bill adds a reporting requirement to RSA 617 relating to forfeiture of personal property. Under this bill the attorney general's office would post to their public website information related to seizures and forfeitures. This measure will add transparency to asset forfeiture without sacrificing the security of law enforcement operations. **Vote 17-0.**

LABOR, INDUSTRIAL AND REHABILITATIVE SERVICES

SB 84, (New Title) relative to payment of workers' compensation benefits by direct deposit and authorizing electronic payment of payroll. **OUGHT TO PASS WITH AMENDMENT.**

Rep. Alfred Baldasaro for Labor, Industrial and Rehabilitative Services. The majority believes that doing an automatic direct deposit within a 6 week period of a covered worker's disability is a win-win for employees to receive their money in a timely manner. This helps the recipient of worker's compensation avoid receiving a pay card, where they pay a fee every time they use it, and avoid checks being mailed late. **Vote 20-0.**

SB 351, relative to managed care programs under workers' compensation. **OUGHT TO PASS WITH AMENDMENT.**

Rep. Douglas Ley for Labor, Industrial and Rehabilitative Services. The bill is essentially a technical change, to clarify the qualifications of injury management facilitators, whether employed by, or operating in conjunction with, a managed care program. **Vote 21-0.**

SB 356, adding a representative from the community college system to the apprenticeship advisory council. **OUGHT TO PASS.**

Rep. Sean Morrison for Labor, Industrial and Rehabilitative Services. Community colleges in our state offer a myriad of training in industrial, mechanical and trade areas. It is therefore prudent to have a representation of the community college system appointed to the apprenticeship advisory council. **Vote 21-0.**

SB 428, relative to the payment of weekly and biweekly wages. **OUGHT TO PASS.**

Rep. Brian Seaworth for Labor, Industrial and Rehabilitative Services. Last session we passed a bill allowing employers to choose whether to pay employees weekly or biweekly. This is a housekeeping change to that new provision, changing the period in which payment must be made from "not to exceed fourteen days" to "within 15 days." This brings enforcement of the provision in line with how some employers do their payroll, and with the past practice of the Department of Labor in enforcement of the regularly scheduled pay law. **Vote 21-0.**

MUNICIPAL AND COUNTY GOVERNMENT

SB 170, relative to the authority of towns to issue bonds for the expansion of broadband infrastructure. **OUGHT TO PASS.**

Rep. David Meader for Municipal and County Government. This bill, if enacted into law would permit municipalities to issue bonds for the purpose of providing or extending broadband infrastructure to areas presently unserved. Certain conditions must be met before bonds can be issued and the bill contains the provision for public-private partnerships for financing purposes. Public hearing testimony strongly indicated that enactment of this legislation would be a significant catalyst for economic development in many rural areas of New Hampshire. **Vote 16-0.**

SB 339, relative to voting by zoning boards of adjustment. **OUGHT TO PASS WITH AMENDMENT.**

Rep. Franklin Sterling for Municipal and County Government. This bill clarifies without exception that any action taken by a Zoning Board requires the affirmative vote of three members of the board. Current statute includes some specific instances but not all, so this bill removes the specific examples and makes it clear that actions of the board require three members to vote in the affirmative. It simply removes ambiguity and lessens the possibility of a challenge. The amendment adds one word, "any" to make it clear that the conditions for granting a variance are approved upon the affirmative vote of "any" three members. **Vote 18-0.**

SB 341, (New Title) relative to the veterans' property tax credit for service-connected disability. **OUGHT TO PASS.**

Rep. John Bordenet for Municipal and County Government. There is a provision in current statute to allow a municipality to grant a tax credit to veterans determined to be totally disabled due to a service connected disability. The current amount sets the range from \$701.00 to \$2,000.00. This bill would increase the upper limit to \$4,000.00 using the same approval criteria. **Vote 16-2.**

SB 393, relative to county audits and performance audits. **OUGHT TO PASS WITH AMENDMENT.**

Rep. Frank McCarthy for Municipal and County Government. This bill as amended changes very little relative to existing law; rather it consolidates the three types of audits utilized by county government from within several chapters spread throughout Title II of state law into one chapter. The bill clarifies that the county delegation and commissioners must jointly agree as to the auditing firm to be engaged for a regular (annual) audit. It also extends the time for completion of the audit from 90 days to 120 days following the close of the fiscal year. It requires that a copy of each completed audit be forwarded to the Department of Revenue Administration. It also authorizes the payment for either a performance or forensic audit, by use of a county delegation contingency fund, appropriated specifically for that purpose, to be expended on the authority of the county executive committee, for a performance audit, or a 3/5th majority vote of the county delegation present and voting, for a forensic audit. **Vote 17-1.**

SB 403-LOCAL, relative to the exemption for recreational vehicles from property taxation. **INEXPEDIENT TO LEGISLATE.**

Rep. Carolyn Matthews for Municipal and County Government. The committee finds that although this bill is well intentioned as relief for camp ground owners who must annually report to town assessors the names of owners of recreational vehicles that do not have a valid motor vehicle registration and number plate, the reporting process can be adjusted by request on the local level in those towns where the process may prove onerous. The bill is also intended to give relief from real estate taxes to those who want to store their recreational vehicles over the winter. However the committee finds that the six-month use of a permanently parked recreational vehicle, often with enhancements like decks and outbuildings, is similar to the six-month use of a privately owned vacation camp located on rented or leased land, and real estate tax relief for one and not for the other would not be equitable and would not support the general welfare of fair taxation for all. With the option of paying the annual motor vehicle registration, recreational vehicle owners already have a good option for avoiding an annual real estate tax. Finally, since RSA 72:7-d has been studied since 2014 and the compromise worked out has only been law since April 1, 2015, not enough time has passed to determine its effect state wide, and since nothing has changed in the past three years, repeal would be premature. **Vote 16-2.**

SB 412, relative to agritourism. **OUGHT TO PASS.**

Rep. Franklin Sterling for Municipal and County Government. The purpose of SB 412 is to establish an expedited review process of conflicts between local bylaws or zoning ordinances and the state statute (RSA 21:34-a,II:b-5) concerning the definition of agritourism. When a dispute arises an aggrieved party may choose to ask the Commissioner of Agriculture for a declaratory ruling as to whether or not the local bylaw or ordinance conflicts with the definition of agritourism in RSA 21:34-a. Choosing to appeal to the Commissioner does not, nor is it intended to, cancel any other appeal process available in RSA 677:2. The bill does not authorize the commissioner to reverse a local land use board's decision about whether a particular use is permitted, it merely authorizes the commissioner to determine whether the municipality's ordinance, bylaw, definition, or policy on agritourism is inconsistent with the state's definition. While the appeal is before the commissioner all other appeal time lines are stayed, preserving the right of the applicant to return to either the Zoning Board of Appeals or to the Superior Court. **Vote 16-0.**

SB 504-FN, relative to sales of tax-deeded property. **OUGHT TO PASS.**

Rep. Susan Treleaven for Municipal and County Government. Current statutes provide for the disposal of tax deeded property in towns and cities by public auction. This bill changes the party authorized to dispose of the property to the "governing body," which would include selectmen or a mayor. Currently the disposal of the property is by sealed bid or auction, this bill would include engaging a real estate agent/broker to help sell said property **Vote 17-1.**

SB 505, requiring abutter notice of the construction of a crematory. **OUGHT TO PASS.**

Rep. James Belanger for Municipal and County Government. This bill deals with the construction or authorization to establish a crematory. It requires that, upon the issuance of a building permit for such an entity, all abutters within 250 feet of the property need to be notified. **Vote 11-3.**

SB 506, limiting amendments to warrant articles. **OUGHT TO PASS WITH AMENDMENT.**

Rep. Timothy Josephson for Municipal and County Government. This bill deals with petitioned warrant articles submitted to the governing body prior to their being published in the annual warrant for town meetings and/or school meetings. It allows editing the petitioned language for minor textual/grammatical changes, but prevents the main intent from being changed. This relates only to RSA 39:3 and RSA 197:6 and does not affect amendments at town meeting or deliberative session. The amendment to the bill eliminates a redundant phrase. **Vote 14-0.**

SB 510, relative to municipal notice of leases on tax-exempt property. **OUGHT TO PASS WITH AMENDMENT.**

Rep. James Belanger for Municipal and County Government. Tax exempt properties are often rented or leased for use by entities that would be subject to taxes should they operate out of their own property. This bill makes it clear that such use is taxable and requires that the tax exempt property owner notify the municipality of such use by April 15 of each year so that the property can be assessed with consideration for the use. The amendment requires those who own tax exempt property but lease it to taxable entities to provide a copy of the lease to the assessing department of the affected municipality. **Vote 14-0.**

SB 511, (New Title) establishing an optional tax credit for combat service. **OUGHT TO PASS.**

Rep. Franklin Sterling for Municipal and County Government. This bill fills in a gap that was left in existing statutes with respect to property tax credits for veterans. A veteran is only a veteran after discharge from the military service. Personnel in the National Guard and Armed Forces reserves that are called into active duty and experience combat conditions are not included in the veterans tax credit program. This is enabling legislation that allows municipalities to adopt the existing veterans property tax credit, with the exact same conditions, for those engaged in combat conditions while in active service. The credit is eliminated when the individual returns and is no longer engaged in combat conditions. **Vote 14-0.**

PUBLIC WORKS AND HIGHWAYS

SB 400, relative to traveler information signs on highways. **INEXPEDIENT TO LEGISLATE.**

Rep. David Milz for Public Works and Highways. This bill attempted to exempt registered non-profits that operate certain museums or heritage tourism sites from the yearly fee requirement for highway information signs. It was felt that the NH Department of Transportation (DOT) needs to recuperate the cost of all highway signs that are considered advertising as opposed to informational or directional. Furthermore, NH DOT is not aware of any current outcry against the present fee structure being charged. **Vote 18-0.**

SB 464, relative to the procedure for driveway permits. **REFER FOR INTERIM STUDY.**

Rep. Virginia Irwin for Public Works and Highways. Due to the complicated process of issuing driveway and excavation permits by the NH Department of Transportation (DOT), the committee believes that this bill should be sent to Interim Study. The committee supports making the process easier for developers while considering the workloads of the DOT. Additionally, we feel the committee should examine if there should be a fee associated with this process, to expedite their review. For these reasons, we recommend this bill be Referred for Interim Study. **Vote 18-0.**

SB 519, relative to the purchase of property for the construction of roads. **OUGHT TO PASS.**

Rep. John Cloutier for Public Works and Highways. This bill would permit the Transportation Commissioner to purchase land for the purposes of laying out a new state highway or alteration of such a highway if the Governor or a three-member commission designated for the above tasks recommends the purchase. The three-member commission would be appointed by the Governor with the Executive Council's consent. This bill, requested by the Department of Transportation, is housekeeping legislation which deletes and clarifies some confusing language in RSA 230:14 and 230:45. **Vote 18-0.**

SCIENCE, TECHNOLOGY AND ENERGY

SB 321, relative to group host net energy metering. **OUGHT TO PASS.**

Rep. Douglas Thomas for Science, Technology and Energy. This bill removes requirements that net energy metering host customers be default service customers of the same electric distribution utility as the host and that the host is responsible for certain costs. It deletes outdated and unneeded statutory language that could dissuade potential investors. The committee felt this gives more options to net metering host customers and therefore recommends the bill passage. **Vote 19-0.**

SB 367, relative to public utilities commission review of group host agreements. **OUGHT TO PASS.**

Rep. Keith Ammon for Science, Technology and Energy. Net metering allows electric customers to install on-site renewable energy sources (solar, wind, hydro, etc.) and save on their electric bills by using a special meter which measures the difference between electricity provided by the local utility and the electricity produced by an on-site renewable energy source. Group net metering, permits net-metered renewable energy facilities, known as "hosts," to share the proceeds with other utility account holders, known as "group members." Group members do not have net-metered renewable energy facilities and do not have to make any changes to their existing electric service. This bill removes the requirement that the Public Utilities Commission (PUC) review group net metering contract agreements. It also exempts small residential systems with a capacity under 15 kilowatts from annual reporting requirements. The review of contracts did little in practice since the PUC has no enforcement ability over the terms of the contracts. Freedom to contract without government interference is a basic right. The exemption to reporting requirements for small residential group net metering installations reduces the regulatory burden for these arrangements. The PUC deferred to the judgment of the legislature but testified favorably toward the language in the bill. **Vote 19-0.**

SB 446, relative to net energy metering limits for customer-generators. **OUGHT TO PASS WITH AMENDMENT.**

Rep. Michael Vose for Science, Technology and Energy. The net metering law allows small-system generators to send electricity to the grid for which they receive a credit. Systems that generate between 100 kilowatt and 1 megawatt (MW) currently collect credits at their utility's default service rate. This bill expands the size of systems that can obtain these credits to 5 MW. This expansion will permit municipalities, schools, and community groups to install solar or wind generation to produce their own power without wasting any of the excess power they make. The bill also permits small-scale hydro producers of up to 5 MW to move behind the meter and thus to reduce the grid's electricity load while receiving a higher price for the power they generate. The amendment removes a provision that allowed generators up to 25 MW to net meter the first 5 MW of their output. This provision was intended to help wood burning electricity plants, but it was not clear how net metering would help this class of profit-making producers. The amendment also grandfathers the tariff for 1 MW to 5 MW producers for a period of twelve years. An ongoing proceeding at the Public Utilities Commission will eventually set a permanent tariff for all net metered systems. **Vote 19-0.**

TRANSPORTATION

SB 165-FN, authorizing periodic payments as security after a motor vehicle accident. **OUGHT TO PASS.** Rep. George Sykes for Transportation. This bill will allow for the first time the NH Division of Motor Vehicles (DMV) to allow uninsured at fault drivers to make periodic payments as security after certain accidents. The bill authorizes the DMV Director to adopt rules that will address a periodic payment hearing process, define the ability to pay, and establish a process for minors subject to suspension. **Vote 15-0.**

SB 396-FN, relative to gold star number plates. **OUGHT TO PASS.** Rep. Chris True for Transportation. This bill authorizes stepmothers and mothers of a person killed while on duty in the United States armed forces to be issued Gold Star number plates. This bill was requested by the Committee to Study Gold Star Number Plates. **Vote 15-0.**

SB 515, relative to commemorative license plates. **OUGHT TO PASS.** Rep. Steven Smith for Transportation. RSA 261:91-a authorizes municipalities to design and sell commemorative license plates for historic anniversaries. The plate is displayed on the front of a vehicle during the anniversary year. An oversight in the statute leaves out a 250th anniversary. This bill adds “sestercentennial” to the statute. **Vote 14-0.**

THURSDAY, APRIL 19 REGULAR CALENDAR

COMMERCE AND CONSUMER AFFAIRS

SB 316, relative to the regulation of online auctions. **OUGHT TO PASS.**

Rep. Michael Costable for Commerce and Consumer Affairs. This bill exempts internet auctions from the requirements of RSA 311-B, the Auctioneers' Practice Act. Under current law anyone that lists items online at popular web sites (like eBay) must obtain an auctioneer's license, unless they are selling their own personal property, however, personal property obtained for the purpose of re-selling also requires an auctioneer's license. Forty three states do not regulate online auctions and 23 states do not regulate auctioneers, including New York and California. To qualify in New Hampshire for an auctioneer's license one must either go to auctioneer's school or apprentice for a minimum of six months and the apprenticeship must include activities such as bid calling and running etc, then one must register for a \$75 exam, pay a \$200 fee for a two year license and be bonded for minimum of \$25,000. The majority on the committee felt that this process is overly burdensome, unnecessary and unenforceable to any significant degree. **Vote 11-6.**

CRIMINAL JUSTICE AND PUBLIC SAFETY

SB 499, relative to the applicability of certain DWI prohibitions. **MAJORITY: INEXPEDIENT TO LEGISLATE. MINORITY: OUGHT TO PASS.**

Rep. Laura Pantelakos for the **Majority** of Criminal Justice and Public Safety. This bill changes the definition of "drive or attempt to drive" in the DWI statute. It allows sleeping, resting or sheltering in place in a passenger motor vehicle or any action or activity with respect to a passenger automobile by a person who is outside of the motor vehicle. These changes will allow an inebriated person who may be unconscious due to excessive consumption of alcohol or drugs a pass by not being arrested. Presently, if you are in control of your motor vehicle by virtue of being behind the wheel and in possession of the ignition keys, you are considered, if you are inebriated, guilty of operating impaired. Even if you have crashed the vehicle and are standing outside and inebriated you will not be arrested. The majority of the committee views this bill as overbroad and not in the best interests of the motoring public. Drinking and driving continues to take a toll on innocent drivers and passengers. Please consider the unintended consequences and uphold the committee report. **Vote 13-6.**

Rep. Frank Sapareto for the **Minority** of Criminal Justice and Public Safety. The minority of the committee believes we should be doing everything possible to prohibit drunk driving and encourage, not discourage people from operating under the influence. This bill tells the public that they will be charged with OUI if they shelter in place, sleep, or otherwise occupy a motor vehicle with the keys in the ignition. The minority of the committee want to encourage people not to drive inebriated instead of penalizing responsible drinkers who chose not to operate their vehicle while impaired.

SB 556-FN, relative to changes in bail procedures and procedures for annulment of a criminal record. **OUGHT TO PASS WITH AMENDMENT.**

Rep. Kate Murray for Criminal Justice and Public Safety. Currently, it costs the state about \$110.00 (about \$3200.00/month) to house individuals prior to their trial in cases where the individual cannot afford to post bail. Considering that an individual can be held pre-trial for lack of bail money for several months, the cost to the state can be significant. This situation is made further onerous to the individual because that person has likely lost his/her job, car and/or house, and often, the family unit is disrupted, all for the lack of the ability to post bail. Those who turn to a bail bond company for help often find that their situation worsens. Bail bond fees are unregulated and often are issued at exorbitant rates. The bail bond company can call the bond due at any time, repossess a car, or even send the person to jail for missing a payment. In some cases, people feel it is better to plead guilty to a crime they did not commit than to use a bail bond company or stay in jail while awaiting trial. The system is in need of some reform. Our system of justice is supposed to be based on incarcerating those found guilty of a crime, not keeping in jail those who are presumed to be innocent until proven guilty because of their lack of financial resources. This bill improves the bail statute in three ways. First, it ensures that people aren't held pre-trial on bail by virtue of their poverty by considering a person's financial means. Currently bail can be set without regard for a person's financial situation. Second, it advances public safety by expanding the number of individuals that may be held without bail based on their danger to themselves or others. A determination will be made for each individual as to whether or not that person is a danger to him/herself or to the community, and this judgment will be considered when deciding whether or not bail is required. Currently, it is possible for a person, dangerous to him or herself, or to the community to post bail, if they have the financial means. Third, this bill streamlines the petitioning process that currently exists to secure an annulment for not-guilty findings and criminal case dismissals, as well as convictions for non-violent, violation-level and class B misdemeanor offenses. In addition, for violation-level offenses

that are the highest offense of conviction occurring after January 1, 2019, the one-year waiting period for annulment is removed. This bill also, for simple possession of drugs under RSA 318-B:26, II, reduces the waiting period for annulment to two years. The committee believes that making annulments easier in this narrow set of circumstances is a valuable tool in helping individuals successfully reenter the workforce and be more productive members of the community. At the present time, this can be an expensive ordeal due to potential legal costs and filing fees. **Vote 17-2.**

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENTS AND ADMINISTRATION

SB 482-FN, relative to confidential emergency medical and trauma services data. **OUGHT TO PASS.**

Rep. Mark Proulx for Executive Departments and Administration. This bill will establish a privacy committee to review and approve written requests for the use of emergency medical and trauma services records for research purposes. This committee will be required to follow all federal laws and regulations, including the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act. Information will only be released upon the finding that there is a demonstrated need and must be returned to the Department of Safety or destroyed after it has been used. The new privacy committee will be made up of the Director of the Division of Fire Standards and Training and Emergency Medical Services, four members of the emergency medical trauma services coordinating board, and two public members who are not affiliated with the department and who are not immediate family of a person affiliated with the department. **Vote 15-3.**

FINANCE

SB 372-FN-A, establishing positions in the office of professional licensure and certification and making an appropriation therefor. **OUGHT TO PASS.**

Rep. J. Tracy Emerick for Finance. The bill establishes 3 license clerk positions in the office of professional licensure and certification (OPLC) and makes an appropriation therefor. The 3 additional clerk positions are necessary to provide better service to a growing number of license applicants using personal service rather than paperwork to ensure applications are complete and correct such that the “bureaucratic paper shuffle” is not at the expense of the applicant. Because of continued and on-going growth in this area, the agency cannot provide service in a timely manner causing unacceptable delays. OPLC is a 125% agency. That is, revenues must be at least 125% of expenses. The growth in license applicants has led to enough additional revenue to cover the cost of benefits and salaries for these three staff while still ensuring the agency meets its revenue projections. **Vote 25-0.**

SB 544-FN, providing that 2 percent of insurance tax collections be deposited in the fire standards and training and emergency medical services fund. **OUGHT TO PASS WITH AMENDMENT.**

Rep. Kenneth Weyler for Finance. As it came to us, this bill would take 2 percent of the insurance premium tax and dedicate it to fire standards and training and emergency medical services fund. This was needed because the moneys collected by the department of safety for providing driver’s license data to automobile insurance companies had not been sufficient to meet the revenue projections of the fire academy budget. The assignment of the insurance premium tax to this dedicated fund created two problems. First it took money out of the general fund. Second, it had the possibility of bringing retaliatory action from other states, if they chose to interpret the change as the use of the insurance premium tax as a new fire safety tax. The amendment removes of the insurance premium tax as the source of funding and substitutes \$130,000. of general funds that safety will fund elsewhere in the budget. This will be sufficient to fund fire standards and training for the remainder of the biennium. A more permanent solution must wait for the next state budget. **Vote 26-0.**

SB 576-FN, (New Title) relative to home health services rate setting. **MAJORITY: INEXPEDIENT TO LEGISLATE. MINORITY: OUGHT TO PASS.**

Rep. Andrew Renzullo for the **Majority** of Finance. This bill amends RSA 126-A:18-a to require that the commissioner of the Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) engage in rate setting for home health services provided to Medicaid recipients. The bill would require that the commissioner study the rates to ensure that they reflect the average cost for the providers to deliver the services to the plan participants. In this study the commission would be required to consult with stakeholders to consider factors of economy, efficiency, quality and access to care and to report these findings to the governor, House and Senate. This report would be prepared in time for consideration in the biennial budget ending June 30, 2021. The committee was informed by the Department that to perform the analysis as set forth in the bill would require two additional staff members. The last rate setting done by the department was performed in 2015, and the rules set by the department have expired since that time. An amendment to address the problem was rejected by the home health care organizations. The rate-setting rules have been suspended by the legislature for several biennia, and rate-setting is handled routinely as part of the budget process. The majority believes that this should continue and so recommends ITL. **Vote 15-11.**

Rep. Mary Jane Wallner for the **Minority** of Finance. The minority understands that home health services can keep frail elderly Medicaid clients out of nursing homes and able to live safely and less expensively in the community. Over the past decade, rates have not been raised for many of these services, and the rules have even expired for a rate setting process. The committee heard testimony that some home health agencies have had to turn away Medicaid clients because the losses they endure to deliver care to New Hampshire's low income and frail seniors are too high. The bill did not incur any cost for increased rates, it merely would have reinstituted a process for evaluating reimbursement rates.

SB 582-FN, (New Title) authorizing an assessment to determine appropriate caseload and workload standards for the division for children, youth and families; establishing additional child protection services positions in the division for children, youth and families; relative to foster care and adoption programs and services; and making appropriations therefor. **MAJORITY: INEXPEDIENT TO LEGISLATE. MINORITY: OUGHT TO PASS.**

Rep. David Danielson for the **Majority** of Finance. This bill makes an appropriation of \$100,000 to the Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) to conduct a study to determine the appropriate case load for child protection staff. The appropriate caseload is already known, both from national standards and a New Hampshire-specific study in 2016. The bill spends \$1.1 million to create 15 new positions in the Division for Children, Youth and Families (DCYF) and an additional \$1.1 million for fund rate increases for foster care and adoption programs. Division III of the Finance committee received a number of bills dealing with DCYF and has decided to address them in SB 592. Therefore, as sections of this bill will be moved to SB 592, House Finance believes SB 582 is no longer necessary. **Vote 15-10.**

Rep. Katherine Rogers for the **Minority** of Finance. This bill would allow the Commissioner to conduct an assessment to determine appropriate caseload and/ or workload standards for the department's division for children, youth and families' child protection staff that are consistent with the goals of the agency and enable them to fulfill its mission to protect children from abuse and neglect abuse. This Legislature has historically underfunded and understaffed this agency far below National standards. Currently we are running caseloads in excess of 30 per person while National standards run at the level of 12. The Majority suggests that higher staffing is forthcoming in SB 592 but is putting the proverbial cart before the horse by voting ITL on this bill first before dealing with other legislation. The minority believes we need to provide an assessment of the needs in this agency and then follows the recommendations and protect our state's families and children.

LABOR, INDUSTRIAL AND REHABILITATIVE SERVICES

SB 417, relative to days of rest for employees of recreation camps and youth skill camps. **MAJORITY: OUGHT TO PASS. MINORITY: INEXPEDIENT TO LEGISLATE.**

Rep. Alfred Baldasaro for the **Majority** of Labor, Industrial and Rehabilitative Services. The majority agrees to support youth employees who work for Youth Skill Camps, that camp out for a week at a time managing recreation activities, to work on Sundays. **Vote 15-6.**

Rep. Mark MacKenzie for the **Minority** of Labor, Industrial and Rehabilitative Services. The camp employees currently have a number of exceptions under the labor laws. The minority believe we are in need of the current exception should be undoubtable before any further expansion takes place.

SB 553-FN, (New Title) establishing a commission to study the incidence of post traumatic stress disorder in first responders and whether such disorder should be covered under workers' compensation. **MAJORITY: OUGHT TO PASS WITH AMENDMENT. MINORITY: INEXPEDIENT TO LEGISLATE.**

Rep. Sean Morrison for the **Majority** of Labor, Industrial and Rehabilitative Services. This bill simply establishes a commission to look at the issue of Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder (PTSD) in first responders. The evidence of PTSD in Firefighters, Police Officers and Emergency Medical Technicians (EMTs) has been documented, and it is prudent to look at this issue to see if legislation is needed to address a growing issue. **Vote 11-9.**

Rep. Alfred Baldasaro for the **Minority** of Labor, Industrial and Rehabilitative Services. The minority believes that this is a feel good bill, with a stacked deck of attendees of 15 members and only one member with mental health expertise - the National Alliance on Mental Illness. We already have a Veterans Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder/Traumatic Brain Injury commission, with many members who are in the mental health arena. This bill puts the focus on police and firefighters with mental health issues, but seeks to study mental health issues with no mental health professionals from the state or the Governor's Commission on Disability. The first responders can now seek help through worker's compensation on mental health issues.

MUNICIPAL AND COUNTY GOVERNMENT

SB 342, (Second New Title) requiring identification of specific items in the default budget. **MAJORITY: OUGHT TO PASS WITH AMENDMENT. MINORITY: OUGHT TO PASS WITH AMENDMENT.**

Rep. Carolyn Matthews for the **Majority** of Municipal and County Government. This bill came to the committee asking that salaries of positions that have been eliminated be removed from the default budget. A

default budget automatically goes into effect should the proposed operating budget fail in SB2 towns or SB2 school districts. Since this bill singles out only salaries, and only those salaries that are not part of contract negotiations already approved by town vote, the committee was able to craft an amendment to precisely define “eliminated positions” to avoid capturing eliminated positions that were simply vacant or part of a planned department restructure. The committee amendment also adds removal from the default budget of any benefits associated with qualifying “eliminated positions.” The committee also amends the precise wording in SB 342 which will help towns and schools make the default budget more transparent during the first budget hearing, an improvement over HB 1307 which has already passed this House. The committee amendment also adds a short phrase to guarantee that the presentation of the default budget will allow for discussion and questions at the first budget hearing. **Vote 14-5.**

Rep. Timothy Josephson for the **Minority** of Municipal and County Government. The minority of the committee agreed with most of the majority’s amendment; however, the minority felt that the part about removing eliminated positions from a default budget was too broad. By taking eliminated positions out of a default budget and including newly proposed positions or contracted services in the proposed budget, a vacuum can exist wherein a position is eliminated but no replacement or reorganization exists if the proposed budget fails and the default goes into effect. There is a great potential for positions to not be eliminated. We propose the alternative minority amendment 2018-1446h.

SB 503, relative to increasing the maximum amount of the optional veterans’ tax credit. **MAJORITY: INEXPEDIENT TO LEGISLATE. MINORITY: OUGHT TO PASS.**

Rep. Richard Tripp for the **Majority** of Municipal and County Government. This bill would increase the maximum amount of the optional veterans’ tax credit from \$500 to \$750. The optional tax credit was increased to \$500 in 2003 and then eligibility was revised by the legislature in 2016. While the majority believes veterans are deserving of the tax credit, it also believes that \$500 is a fair and equitable tax credit. **Vote 11-7.**

Rep. Frank McCarthy for the **Minority** of Municipal and County Government. This is enabling legislation which would raise the current cap on the veteran’s property tax abatement, from the current \$500.00, maximum allowed by law, to a new maximum of \$750.00. The minority of the committee believes in the judgment of the legislative bodies living within the municipalities of our state, and they should be afforded the opportunity to make the final judgment on this matter.

SCIENCE, TECHNOLOGY AND ENERGY

SB 448, establishing a commission to study the establishment of a state department of energy. **MAJORITY: INEXPEDIENT TO LEGISLATE. MINORITY: OUGHT TO PASS.**

Rep. Michael Vose for the **Majority** of Science, Technology and Energy. With 142 legislatively created study commissions already in existence, this bill sought to create the 143rd. This commission would be charged with determining whether to establish a state department of energy. Proponents asserted that many state government departments have staff who perform functions related to energy policy. These positions might be ripe for consolidation. Other states have departments of energy that could potentially serve as models. But with 16 members on the commission, the likelihood of any constructive output was limited, even given a time line of nearly 18 months. Furthermore, the creation of new departments often comes at the request of the Governor, which was not the case here. New state departments increase the size and cost of government, but this bill’s advocates did not build a compelling case for such an expansion. **Vote 12-8.**

Rep. Marjorie Shepardson for the **Minority** of Science, Technology and Energy. This bill would form a commission to study whether we should have a state Department of Energy. Currently some energy policies and programs are overseen by the Electric Division of the Public Utilities Commission (PUC), some by the Sustainable Energy Division of the PUC, some by the Office of Strategic Initiatives, others by the Department of Environmental Services, and still others by the utilities. There’s no central place for the public to go with questions about what is available in NH. There’s no central place responsible for implementing a coordinated energy policy for NH, one that will do long-term planning to address all our energy needs. A cabinet level Department of Energy would have more authority than our existing advisory boards. It would also be a more efficient use of tax dollars and would be more transparent than our current system. It need not add to the size of government since we could reassign current employees to the new department and rework the existing budget.

FRIDAY, APRIL 13

ASSESSING STANDARDS BOARD (RSA 21-J:14-a), Room 303, LOB

- 9:00 a.m. Subcommittee meeting regarding the Assessing Reference Manual.
- 9:30 a.m. Regular meeting.
- 11:30 a.m. Utility valuation subcommittee meeting.

COMMISSION TO STUDY THE APPORTIONMENT OF GROSS BUSINESS PROFITS UNDER THE BUSINESS PROFITS TAX (RSA 77-A:23), Room 100, SH

9:00 a.m. Regular meeting.

COMMISSION TO STUDY ENVIRONMENTALLY-TRIGGERED CHRONIC ILLNESS (RSA 126-A:73), Room 205, LOB

10:00 a.m. Regular meeting.

COMMISSION TO STUDY GRANDFAMILIES IN NEW HAMPSHIRE (RSA 170-G:17), Rooms 206-208, LOB

10:00 a.m. Regular meeting.

COMMITTEE TO STUDY BROADBAND (HB 238, Chapter 163:1, Laws of 2017), Room 304, LOB

10:00 a.m. Regular meeting.

COMMITTEE TO STUDY MENTAL HEALTH AND SOCIAL SERVICE BUSINESS PROCESS ALIGNMENT AND INFORMATION SYSTEM INTEROPERABILITY (SB 147, Chapter 116:1, Laws of 2017), Room 101, LOB

1:00 p.m. Regular meeting.

FINANCE AND WAYS AND MEANS JOINT WITH SENATE FINANCE, Rooms 210-211, LOB**Joint Economic Updates:**

- 9:00 a.m. Department of Revenue Administration (Impact of Tax Reform on the State)
- 10:00 a.m. Dr. Kenneth Johnson, Senior Demographer, Carsey School of Public Policy; Professor of Sociology, University of New Hampshire (State Demographic Trends)
- 11:00 a.m. Dr. Ross Gittell, Chancellor, Community College System of New Hampshire (State and Regional Economic Update)
- 1:00 p.m. Dr. Daniel H. Cooper, Senior Economist and Policy Advisor, Research Department, Federal Reserve Bank of Boston (National Economic Update)
- 2:00 p.m. Russ Thibeault, President, Applied Economic Research (State Real Estate Conditions)
- 3:00 p.m. Bruce DeMay, Director, Economic and Labor Market Information Bureau, New Hampshire Employment Security (State Labor Conditions)

HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE (RSA 126-A:13), Rooms 202-204, LOB
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10:00 a.m. Regular meeting.

NEW HAMPSHIRE STATE HOUSE BICENTENNIAL COMMISSION (RSA 17-R:1), Room 308, LOB

1:00 p.m. Regular meeting.

MONDAY, APRIL 16**ADVISORY COUNCIL ON CAREER AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION (RSA 188-E:10-b), Room 101, LOB**

9:00 a.m. Regular meeting.

COMMISSION TO STUDY THE LEGALIZATION, REGULATION, AND TAXATION OF MARIJUANA (RSA 318-B:46), Rooms 202-204, LOB

- 9:00 a.m. Presentation by Christopher McCorkle, Policy Research Shop at Dartmouth College.
- 9:45 a.m. Public Comment. Time limited to 3 minutes per speaker. The meeting will close at 11:00 a.m. Written testimony will be accepted.

FINANCE - DIVISION III, Rooms 210-211, LOB

- 9:00 a.m. Division work session on **SB 592-FN-A**, relative to the child welfare system.
- 11:00 a.m. **SB 590-FN-A**, making a supplemental appropriation to the state loan repayment program and relative to emergency involuntary admissions, the child protection act, and the developmental disabilities wait list and making appropriations therefor.
- 1:00 p.m. Division work session on **SB 313-FN**, reforming New Hampshire's Medicaid and Premium Assistance Program, establishing the granite workforce pilot program, and relative to certain liquor funds.

NEW HAMPSHIRE VETERANS HOME BOARD OF MANAGERS (RSA 119:3-a), New Hampshire Veterans Home, Tarr South Conference Room, 139 Winter Street, Tilton

9:00 a.m. Regular meeting.

THE DIVISION FOR CHILDREN, YOUTH AND FAMILIES ADVISORY BOARD (RSA 170-G:6-a), Room 307, LOB

2:00 p.m. Regular meeting.

TUESDAY, APRIL 17

CHILDREN AND FAMILY LAW, Rooms 206-208, LOB

- 10:00 a.m. Public hearing on non-germane amendment 2018-1394h to **SB 479**, relative to the oversight commission on children's services and relative to the commission to review child abuse fatalities. The amendment revises the complaint investigation procedures and confidentiality requirements of the office of the child advocate. Copies of the amendment are available in the Sergeant-at-Arms Office, Room 318, State House.
Executive session on pending legislation may be held throughout the day, time permitting, from the time the committee is initially convened.

COMMERCE AND CONSUMER AFFAIRS, Room 302, LOB

- 10:00 a.m. Subcommittee work session on **SB 303**, relative to a security freeze on a consumer's credit report; **SB 566-FN**, establishing a commission to study the school bus driver shortage; **SB 415**, relative to condominium unit owners' special meetings; **SB 413**, relative to name availability for business organizations and relative to reinstatement of a limited liability company; **SB 314**, relative to regulation of mortgage bankers, brokers, servicers, and originators; **SB 537**, conferring extraterritorial financing powers on the New Hampshire business finance authority.

Room 304, LOB

- 10:00 a.m. Subcommittee work session on **SB 421**, relative to insurance coverage for prescription contraceptives; **SB 354**, relative to pharmacy claim fees and copayments; **SB 383**, establishing a commission to recommend policies that will enhance access to affordable health care for all New Hampshire residents; **SB 502-FN**, relative to transparency and standards for acquisition transactions in health care.

Room 302, LOB

- 1:30 p.m. Executive session on **SB 189-FN**, requiring insurance policies to cover 3-D mammography; **SB 303**, relative to a security freeze on a consumer's credit report; **SB 312**, clarifying the New Hampshire Foundation Act; **SB 314**, relative to regulation of mortgage bankers, brokers, servicers, and originators; **SB 317-FN**, relative to veterans' preference in public employment; **SB 354**, relative to pharmacy claim fees and copayments; **SB 383**, establishing a commission to recommend policies that will enhance access to affordable health care for all New Hampshire residents; **SB 413**, relative to name availability for business organizations and relative to reinstatement of a limited liability company; **SB 415**, relative to condominium unit owners' special meetings; **SB 416**, relative to transportation network company drivers; **SB 421**, relative to insurance coverage for prescription contraceptives; **SB 424**, relative to property and casualty insurance; **SB 425**, relative to limited liability companies; **SB 427**, limiting the liability of successor corporations for asbestos-related claims; **SB 473**, relative to employment contract restrictions upon health care providers; **SB 502-FN**, relative to transparency and standards for acquisition transactions in health care; **SB 537**, conferring extraterritorial financing powers on the New Hampshire business finance authority; **SB 566-FN**, establishing a commission to study the school bus driver shortage.

CRIMINAL JUSTICE AND PUBLIC SAFETY, Room 204, LOB

- 10:00 a.m. Executive session on pending legislation.

EDUCATION, Room 207, LOB

- 9:30 a.m. Executive session on **SB 357**, relative to safe school zones and relative to syringe service programs; **SB 358**, relative to reorganization of the department of education; **SB 382**, relative to withdrawal from cooperative school districts; **SB 432-FN-L**, establishing a commission to study whether it is in the best interest of students to require schools to offer an SAT preparation course as an elective; **SB 434**, relative to school nurse certification; **SB 435**, relative to alternative programs for granting credit leading to graduation; **SB 437**, relative to the robotics education development program; **SB 441**, relative to final grades in schools; **SB 525-FN**, prohibiting the distribution of adult education financial assistance to any student who is not a legal resident.

ENVIRONMENT AND AGRICULTURE, Room 303, LOB

- 9:00 a.m. Full committee work session on **SB 569-FN**, relative to animal cruelty and establishing a commission to study certain language applicable to the transfer of animals.
Executive session on pending legislation may be held throughout the day, time permitting, from the time the committee is initially convened.

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENTS AND ADMINISTRATION, Room 308, LOB

- 9:00 a.m. Subcommittee work session on **SB 487**, relative to license requirements for certain alcohol and other drug use professionals and establishing a state substance use disorder treatment services program.

Room 306, LOB

- 10:15 a.m. **SB 477**, establishing a therapeutic cannabis medical oversight board.
- 11:00 a.m. **SB 535-FN**, relative to licensure for the practice of professional art therapy and establishing an advisory council on alternative mental health therapies, and relative to certain revenues from the sale of commemorative liquor bottles of historic significance.
- 1:00 p.m. **SB 386**, relative to access to criminal records.
- 2:00 p.m. Subcommittee work session on **SB 334-FN**, relative to temporary licenses for occupations and professions for persons from other states.

Room 308, LOB

- 2:00 p.m. Subcommittee work session on **SB 581-FN**, relative to compounding of drugs.
Executive session on pending legislation may be held throughout the day, time permitting, from the time the committee is initially convened.

FINANCE, Rooms 210-211, LOB

- 10:00 a.m. **SB 557-FN**, establishing a board of housing development appeals.
- 11:00 a.m. Public hearing on non-germane amendment 2018-1487h to **SB 590-FN-A**, making a supplemental appropriation to the state loan repayment program, relative to emergency involuntary admissions, the child protection act, and the developmental disabilities wait list and making appropriations therefor, and relative to modifying the Medicaid enhancement tax to include health care services provided by nursing facility services, ambulatory surgical center services, therapist services, other nursing services, and laboratory and x-ray services. The amendment modifies the Medicaid enhancement tax to include health care services provided by nursing facility services, ambulatory surgical center services, therapist services, other nursing services, and laboratory and x-ray services. Copies of the amendment are available in the Sergeant-at-Arms' Office, Room 318, State House.

FINANCE - DIVISION I, Room 212, LOB

- 11:30 a.m. Or immediately following public hearing, division work session on **SB 450-FN-A**, establishing an advisory commission for the department of environmental services relative to the delegation of authority of the National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System Program.
- 11:35 a.m. Division work session on **SB 557-FN**, establishing a board of housing development appeals.
- 1:00 p.m. Division work session on **SB 531-FN**, relative to the office of professional licensure and certification.
- 1:10 p.m. Division work session on **SB 573-FN-A**, relative to the controlled drug prescription health and safety program and making an appropriation therefor.
- 1:20 p.m. Division work session on **SB 309-FN**, relative to standards for perfluorochemicals in drinking water, ambient groundwater, and surface water.
- 1:30 p.m. Division work session on **SB 555-FN-A**, establishing a citizens' right-to-know appeals commission and a right-to-know law ombudsman and making an appropriation therefor.
- 1:40 p.m. Public hearing on non-germane amendment 2018-1499h to **SB 534**, relative to the classification of certain state employee positions. The amendment requires the commissioner of the department of health and human services to conduct a review of certain unclassified positions. Copies of the amendment are available in the Sergeant-at-Arms' Office, Room 318, State House.
- 1:50 p.m. Division work session on **SB 534-FN**, relative to the classification of certain state employee positions.
- 2:00 p.m. Division work session on **SB 541-FN-A**, establishing a fund to reimburse costs associated with firefighters who have cancer and establishing a commission to study the funding and operations of the presumption under workers' compensation requiring the reimbursement of costs associated with firefighters who have cancer.

FINANCE - DIVISION II, Room 209, LOB

- 11:30 a.m. Division work session on **SB 565-FN**, relative to aircraft registration fees and airways tolls.
- 1:00 p.m. Division work session on **SB 193-FN**, establishing education freedom savings accounts for students.
- 2:00 p.m. Division work session on **SB 575-FN**, relative to electric vehicle charging stations.

FISH AND GAME AND MARINE RESOURCES, Room 307, LOB

- 10:00 a.m. **SB 451**, relative to wildlife trafficking.
- 10:30 a.m. Full committee work session on **SB 451**, relative to wildlife trafficking.
Executive session on pending legislation may be held throughout the day, time permitting, from the time the committee is initially convened.

HEALTH, HUMAN SERVICES AND ELDERLY AFFAIRS, Room 205, LOB

10:00 a.m. Executive session on **SB 350**, relative to biological products dispensed by pharmacists; **SB 376-FN**, relative to the sale of certain cold medications; **SB 380**, relative to the therapeutic use of cannabis; **SB 388**, relative to dispensary locations for therapeutic cannabis; **SB 475**, relative to testing for Lyme disease; **SB 476**, establishing a committee to study reinstituting the unemployed parent program; **SB 478**, establishing an advisory council on lactation; **SB 481**, establishing a committee to study the impact of pharmacy benefit manager operations on cost, administration, and distribution of prescription drugs; **SB 483**, relative to procedures for dispensing controlled drugs; **SB 486**, establishing a commission to study enhancing the prescription drug donation program; **SB 548-FN**, relative to therapeutic intervention needs of infants diagnosed with neonatal abstinence syndrome.

NH LAND AND COMMUNITY HERITAGE AUTHORITY BOARD OF DIRECTORS (RSA 227-M:4), Canterbury Shaker Village, 288 Shaker Road, Canterbury

3:00 p.m. Regular meeting.

RESOURCES, RECREATION AND DEVELOPMENT, Room 305, LOB

10:00 a.m. Full committee work session on **SB 172-FN**, relative to non-menace dams; **SB 240-FN-L**, relative to the monitoring and treatment of contaminated wells; **SB 368**, establishing an exemption from shoreland protection permitting requirements for maintenance and repairs of existing roads and for borings and test wells; **SB 410-FN**, establishing a commission to study creating a boat safe card; **SB 444**, relative to cutting timber near certain waters and public highways; **SB 445**, designating the Warner River as a protected river; **SB 453**, relative to requirements and criteria for a competitive grant program for drinking water protection; **SB 119**, relative to the length of docks on a water body and boat slips.

Executive session on pending legislation may be held throughout the day, time permitting, from the time the committee is initially convened.

TRANSPORTATION, Room 203, LOB

10:00 a.m. Executive session on **SB 398**, relative to information contained in certain motor vehicle records; **SB 512**, relative to compact sections of towns; **SB 520-FN**, relative to organizations authorized to issue decals for multi-use decal plates; **SB 522**, relative to alteration of speed limits.

WAYS AND MEANS, Room 202, LOB

10:00 a.m. **SB 540-FN**, relative to the operation of keno games in unincorporated places.

10:30 a.m. Full committee work session on **SB 564-FN-A**, relative to a business tax exemption and a workforce development program for regenerative manufacturing businesses.

Executive session on pending legislation may be held throughout the day, time permitting, from the time the committee is initially convened.

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 18**COMMERCE AND CONSUMER AFFAIRS, Room 302, LOB**

11:00 a.m. Subcommittee work session on **SB 418**, relative to beverage manufacturers and nano breweries and defining table wine.

1:30 p.m. Executive session on pending legislation.

CRIMINAL JUSTICE AND PUBLIC SAFETY JOINT WITH JUDICIARY, Rooms 206-208, LOB

10:00 a.m. Full committee work session on **CACR 22**, relating to rights for crime victims. Providing that crime victims shall be afforded constitutional rights.

Executive session on pending legislation may be held throughout the day, time permitting, from the time the committee is initially convened.

ENVIRONMENT AND AGRICULTURE, Room 303, LOB

9:00 a.m. Full committee work session on **SB 569-FN**, relative to animal cruelty and establishing a commission to study certain language applicable to the transfer of animals.

Executive session on pending legislation may be held throughout the day, time permitting, from the time the committee is initially convened.

FINANCE, Rooms 210-211, LOB

1:00 p.m. Executive session on **SB 390-FN**, establishing the office of solicitor general in the department of justice and establishing an unclassified attorney position in the department of justice; **SB 450-FN-A**, establishing an advisory commission for the department of environmental services relative to the delegation of authority of the National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System Program; **SB 557-FN**, establishing a board of housing development appeals; **SB 531-FN**, relative to the office of professional licensure and certification; **SB 573-FN-A**, relative to the controlled

- drug prescription health and safety program and making an appropriation therefor; **SB 309-FN**, relative to standards for perfluorochemicals in drinking water, ambient groundwater, and surface water; **SB 555-FN-A**, establishing a citizens' right-to-know appeals commission and a right-to-know law ombudsman and making an appropriation therefor; **SB 534-FN**, relative to the classification of certain state employee positions; **SB 565-FN**, relative to aircraft registration fees and airways tolls; **SB 575-FN**, relative to electric vehicle charging stations; **SB 590-FN-A**, making a supplemental appropriation to the state loan repayment program and relative to emergency involuntary admissions, the child protection act, and the developmental disabilities wait list and making appropriations therefor; **SB 592-FN-A**, relative to the child welfare system; **SB 63**, relative to record management of abuse and neglect reports and establishing a pilot program regarding electronic storage of abuse and neglect records.
- 2:00 p.m. Or immediately following executive session. Subcommittee work session on **SB 580**, relative to the creation of new class lines within the department of transportation, the department of health and human services, and the department of education, amending a capital budget appropriation to allow for door replacements at the New Hampshire hospital, and transferring a capital budget appropriation for painting the ceiling of Representatives Hall to the legislative branch.

HEALTH, HUMAN SERVICES AND ELDERLY AFFAIRS, Room 205, LOB

- 10:00 a.m. Executive session on pending legislation if needed.

JUDICIARY, Rooms 206-208, LOB

- 12:00 p.m. Executive session on **SB 420**, relative to collective bargaining under the right-to-know law.

NEW HAMPSHIRE DRINKING WATER AND GROUNDWATER ADVISORY COMMISSION (RSA 485-F:4), Department of Environmental Services, Room 208C, 29 Hazen Drive, Concord

- 8:00 a.m. Regular meeting.

SCIENCE, TECHNOLOGY AND ENERGY, Room 304, LOB

- 10:00 a.m. Full committee work session on **SB 365**, relative to the use of renewable generation in default service; **SB 366**, relative to members of the site evaluation committee; **SB 447**, relative to issuance of renewable energy certificates; **SB 452**, relative to renewable energy fund incentive payments; **SB 577**, requiring the public utilities commission to consider its order affecting the Burgess BioPower plant in Berlin, prohibiting the import of certain liquid fuels, and relative to the production of useful thermal energy.
- Executive session on pending legislation may be held throughout the day, time permitting, from the time the committee is initially convened.

WAYS AND MEANS, Room 202, LOB

- 10:00 a.m. Full committee work session on **SB 564-FN-A**, relative to a business tax exemption and a workforce development program for regenerative manufacturing businesses.
- Executive session on pending legislation may be held throughout the day, time permitting, from the time the committee is initially convened.

THURSDAY, APRIL 19

COMMISSION ON POST-TRAUMATIC STRESS DISORDER AND TRAUMATIC BRAIN INJURY (RSA 115-D), Walker Building, Room 100, 21 South Fruit Street, Concord

- 2:30 p.m. Regular meeting.

ELECTION LAW, Room 308, LOB

- 1:00 p.m. Or one hour after the close of session. Full committee work session on **SB 438**, relative to the postponement of local elections; **SB 527-FN-L**, relative to absentee voting.
- Executive session on pending legislation may be held throughout the day, time permitting, from the time the committee is initially convened.

FRIDAY, APRIL 20

ADMINISTRATIVE RULES (RSA 541-A:2), Rooms 306-308, LOB

- 9:00 a.m. Regular meeting.
- 10:00 a.m. Audits: State of New Hampshire Single Audit of Federal Financial Assistance programs for the year ended June 30, 2017.
- State of New Hampshire Audit Letter year ended June 30, 2017.

ENERGY EFFICIENCY AND SUSTAINABLE ENERGY BOARD (RSA 125-O:5-a), New Hampshire Public Utilities Commission, Hearing Room A, 21 South Fruit Street, Suite 10 Concord

- 9:00 a.m. Regular meeting.

FISCAL COMMITTEE (RSA 14:30-a), Rooms 210-211, LOB

10:00 a.m. Regular meeting.

10:30 a.m. Audits: State of New Hampshire Single Audit of Federal Financial Assistance Programs for the year ended June 30, 2017.
State of New Hampshire Management Letter year ended June 30, 2017.

GOVERNOR'S COMMISSION ON ALCOHOL AND DRUG ABUSE PREVENTION, TREATMENT, AND RECOVERY (RSA 12-J:1), Rooms 301-303, LOB

9:30 a.m. Regular meeting.

PUBLIC-PRIVATE PARTNERSHIP TRANSPORTATION INFRASTRUCTURE OVERSIGHT COMMISSION (RSA 228:107), New Hampshire Department of Transportation, Room 112, 7 Hazen Drive, Concord

10:00 a.m. Regular meeting.

MONDAY, APRIL 23**COMMISSION ON HISTORIC BURYING GROUNDS (RSA 227-C:12-a), Room 101, LOB**

9:00 a.m. Regular meeting.

COMMITTEE TO STUDY EXOTIC AQUATIC WEEDS AND EXOTIC AQUATIC SPECIES OF WILDLIFE IN THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE (RSA 487:30), Room 307, LOB

11:00 a.m. Regular meeting.

OIL FUND DISBURSEMENT BOARD (RSA 146-D:4), Room 305, LOB

9:00 a.m. Regular meeting.

TUESDAY, APRIL 24**EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENTS AND ADMINISTRATION, Room 306, LOB**

11:00 a.m. Executive session on *SB 334-FN*, relative to temporary licenses for occupations and professions for persons from other states.
Executive session on pending legislation may be held throughout the day, time permitting, from the time the committee is initially convened.

RULES, Room 104, LOB

1:00 p.m. Regular meeting.

THURSDAY, APRIL 26**COMMISSION ON PRIMARY CARE WORKFORCE ISSUES (RSA 126-T), New Hampshire Medical Society, 7 North State Street, Concord**

2:00 p.m. Regular meeting.

FRIDAY, APRIL 27**NEW HAMPSHIRE CANADIAN TRADE COUNCIL (RSA 12-O:22), Room 100, SH**

1:00 p.m. Regular meeting.

WORKERS' COMPENSATION ADVISORY COUNCIL (RSA 281-A:62), Room 307, LOB

9:00 a.m. Regular meeting.

MONDAY, APRIL 30**COMMITTEE TO STUDY EDUCATION FUNDING AND THE COST OF AN OPPORTUNITY FOR AN ADEQUATE EDUCATION (HB 356, Chapter 190:1, Laws of 2017), Room 209, LOB**

10:00 a.m. Regular meeting.

JOINT LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE TO EXAMINE THE INDEPENDENT REVIEW OF THE DIVISION FOR CHILDREN, YOUTH AND FAMILIES (HB 517, Chapter 156:244, Laws of 2017), Room 205, LOB

1:00 p.m. Regular meeting.

TUESDAY, MAY 1**STATE VETERANS ADVISORY COMMITTEE (RSA 115-A:2), New Hampshire National Guard Regional Training Institute, 722 Riverwood Drive, Pembroke**

5:00 p.m. Regular meeting.

FRIDAY, MAY 4**ADMINISTRATIVE RULES (RSA 541-A:2), Rooms 306-308, LOB**

9:00 a.m. Continued meeting.

FRIDAY, MAY 11**HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE (RSA 126-A:13), Room 205, LOB**

10:00 a.m. Foster care subcommittee meeting.

STATE SUGGESTION AND EXTRAORDINARY SERVICE AWARD EVALUATION COMMITTEE (RSA 99-E:1, I), Room 101, LOB

9:30 a.m. Regular meeting.

MONDAY, MAY 14**COMMISSION TO STUDY CURRENT MENTAL HEALTH PROCEDURES FOR INVOLUNTARY COMMITMENT (RSA 135-C:63-c), Room 206, LOB**

1:00 p.m. Regular meeting.

TUESDAY, MAY 15**EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT SYSTEM JOINT LEGISLATIVE OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE (RSA 21-P:51), Room 304, LOB**

10:00 a.m. Regular meeting.

THURSDAY, MAY 17**COMMISSION ON POST-TRAUMATIC STRESS DISORDER AND TRAUMATIC BRAIN INJURY (RSA 115-D), Walker Building, 21 South Fruit Street, Room 100, Concord**

2:30 p.m. Regular meeting.

FRIDAY, MAY 18**ADMINISTRATIVE RULES (RSA 541-A:2), Rooms 306-308, LOB**

9:00 a.m. Regular meeting.

MONDAY, MAY 21**THE DIVISION FOR CHILDREN, YOUTH AND FAMILIES ADVISORY BOARD (RSA 170-G:6-a), Room 307, LOB**

2:00 p.m. Regular meeting.

INTERBRANCH CRIMINAL AND JUVENILE JUSTICE COUNCIL (RSA 651-E:2), Room 204, LOB

1:30 p.m. Regular meeting.

NH COLLEGE TUITION SAVINGS PLAN ADVISORY COMMISSION (RSA 195-H:2), New Hampshire Higher Education Assistance Foundation, 4 Barrell Court, Concord

10:00 a.m. Regular meeting.

OIL FUND DISBURSEMENT BOARD (RSA 146-D:4), Room 305, LOB

9:00 a.m. Regular meeting.

OFFICIAL NOTICES**COUNTY DELEGATION NOTICE**

The **Hillsborough** County Executive Committee will meet at the county complex on **Friday, April 27th** at **9:00 a.m.**

Rep. Larry Gagne, Clerk

COUNTY DELEGATION NOTICE

The Executive Committee of the **Merrimack** County Delegation will meet **on Monday, April 30th** in the lower level conference room at **10:00 a.m.** of the McDonnell Building, 4 Court Street, Concord. The purpose of the meeting is as follows: First Quarter Financial Review and Approval. Any other Business.

Rep. James MacKay, Chairman

COUNTY DELEGATION NOTICE

The **Rockingham** County Executive Committee will meet on **Friday, May 4th at 9:30 a.m.** in the Hilton Auditorium at the Rockingham County Nursing Home in Brentwood. The purpose of the meeting is to conduct the first quarter budget review.

Rep. David A. Welch, Clerk

REVISED FISCAL NOTES

The following bills have a revised fiscal note: HB 225, HB 407, HB 476, HB 525, HB 559, HB 561, HB 579, HB 596, HB 613, HB 619, HB 628, HB 1101, HB 1104, HB 1231, HB 1328, HB 1415, HB 1471, HB 1473, HB 1520, HB1557, HB 1562, HB 1590, HB 1592, HB 1618, HB 1626, HB 1681, HB 1689, HB 1756, HB 1762, HB 1763, HB 1764, HB 1802, HB 1814, HB 1817, HB 1819, HB 1820, SB 63, SB 165, SB 172, SB 193, SB 240, SB 332, SB 334, SB 370, SB 372, SB 390, SB 391, SB 410, SB 411, SB 446, SB 450, SB 468, SB471, SB 496, SB 497, SB 498, SB 504, SB 520, SB 525, SB 528, SB 529, SB 533, SB 539, SB 544, SB 546, SB 553, SB 559, SB 560, SB 561, SB 566, SB 569, SB 574, SB 575, SB 576, SB 590, SB 592.

Paul C. Smith, Clerk of the House

MEMBERS' NOTICES

The following notices are published in the House Record as a courtesy to the member(s) requesting publication. These are not official public notices and will be limited to legislative policy or legislative social activities and political meetings or events. Publication should not be construed as support for either the events listed or the views espoused by the individual or organization sponsoring the event.

Our State House will be 200 years old in June 2019. The New Hampshire State House Bicentennial Commission has designed and contracted for the production of challenge coins to commemorate this historic event. The coins are 2½ inches in diameter and have the Bicentennial Commission's logo on one side and the State Seal on the other. Each coin is sequentially numbered. The coins cost \$20 each (\$40 for special requested numbers) are available for sale at the State House Visitors' Center. Coins numbered 151-308 plus some specially requested numbers have already been sold.

Reps. Renny Cushing and David Welch

The House Republican Alliance (HRA) will meet on **Tuesdays at 8:30 a.m.** in LOB 201. All republican house members are invited to attend.

Reps. Glenn Cordelli, James Spillane and Chris True

The NH Legislative Youth Advisory Council will hold its second Youth Forum of the term on **Sunday, April 15th from 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.** at the Holderness School, 33 Chapel Lane, Holderness. Council members have chosen Civics Education, Transgender Rights, and Organizing for Change as topics for this forum's panel discussions. All are welcome to attend. Light refreshments will be served. For more information, please contact Rep. Marjorie Porter at maporter995@gmail.com or (603) 464-0225.

Rep. Marjorie Porter

The New Hampshire Chapter of the National Association of Massage Therapists invite legislators and staff for a free chair massage on **Tuesday, April 17th from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.** in Room 104, LOB.

Rep. Ben Baroody

The Granite State Children's Alliance, NH's network of Child Advocacy Centers is hosting a luncheon on **April 17th from 12:00 p.m. to 1:00 p.m.** at Saint Paul's Church in Concord. We are excited about sharing progress we have made with our KNOW & TELL initiative, to educate and empower adults to KNOW the signs of child abuse and TELL responsible authorities when they recognize them.

Rep. Skip Berrien

The sixth annual Monadnock International Film Festival (MONIFF) will take place **April 19th to the 21st** at the Colonial Theatre in downtown Keene and at the Putnam Theatre on the Keene State College campus. MONIFF showcases award-winning independent films, both domestic and foreign, along with regionally produced films. The festival concludes on Sunday afternoon, April 22nd, with a Best of Fest at Peterborough's Community Theatre with screenings of the audience award winning films and the Jonathan Daniels honored film.

Rep. Delmar Burridge

Please join The New Hampshire Alliance for Healthy Aging (NH AHA) for breakfast on **April 19th from 8:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m.** in the State House cafeteria. Come learn about AHA's vision and mission to create communities that support older adults and their families.

Rep. Mary Jane Wallner

Legislators, staff, and their friends and families are cordially invited to attend Discover WILD New Hampshire Day, the New Hampshire Fish and Game Department's biggest community event of the year. The event is set for **Saturday, April 21st from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.** on the grounds of the Fish and Game Department at 11 Hazen Drive in Concord. Admission is free. See live animals, big fish, trained falcons, and retriever dogs in action. More than 60 outdoor and conservation organizations from around the state will be on hand with exhibits and demonstrations. Check out the latest hunting and fishing gear in the Expo tent. This family-friendly event includes lots of free hands-on activities for the kids, including wildlife crafts, archery, casting, fly-tying, and air rifle shooting demonstration and shooting. Tie a fly with members of Trout Unlimited. Explore new trends in recycling and environmental protection with NH Department of Environmental Services. Enjoy live animal presentations throughout the day. Test your casting skills at the Bass Pro Shops boat. Admire the big trout in the Fish and Game stocking truck, and see how many warm water fish you can identify in the demo tank. There will be a raffle for outdoor gear and other great prizes, plus a sale of used hunting and fishing gear. All proceeds benefit the Foundation, NH Fish and Game's nonprofit partner. Discover WILD New Hampshire Day is held rain or shine. Fishing and hunting licenses will be sold, and food concessions are available all day. Please note that no dogs, except service and working animals, are permitted at the event.

Rep. Robert L'Heureux

There will be a Libertarian caucus on **Thursday, April 26th at 9:30 a.m.** in Room 104, LOB.

Rep. Caleb Q. Dyer

All legislators and staff are invited to try a free acupuncture treatment sponsored by the New England Public Health Acupuncture Network on **Tuesday, May 1st from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.** in Room 104, LOB.

Rep. Ben Baroody

It's that time! The NH Oral Health Coalition invites all legislators to join us for our Annual Legislative Breakfast, "Banding Together for NH's Oral Health," on **Thursday, May 3rd from 7:30 a.m. to 9:00 a.m.** in the State House Cafeteria. A hot breakfast will be served by Elizabeth's Kitchen. As always, local community oral health providers will be there with displays and information. RSVP to: info@nhoralhealth.org or call 603-415-5550.

Rep. Tom Buco

The New Hampshire Beverage Association (NHBA) cordially invites all House and Senate members to enjoy lunch on **Thursday, May 3rd** in the State House Cafeteria. NHBA member companies will be in attendance with samples that demonstrate the options they offer in the marketplace. Please stop by for lunch and to learn more about the beverage industry's efforts to provide choice for consumers. See you there!

Reps. Richard W. Hinch and Stephen Shurtleff

The University of New Hampshire is hosting the 3rd annual University Day on the State House lawn on **Thursday, May 3rd from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.** Enjoy a BBQ lunch provided by UNH's award-winning dining services and music by a student band. Explore a wide range of exhibits and interactive demonstrations led by world-renowned researchers, students, faculty and staff at UNH. Learn more about how the education, research, programs and activities at your state flagship university benefit the Granite State.

Rep. Marjorie Smith

All legislators and staff are invited to the Biennial Legislative Health Screening Day presented by Health Services. This event will be held on **Tuesday, May 8th** on the 3rd floor of the LOB **from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.** There will be screenings for blood pressure, blood sugar, glaucoma, and fall prevention balance. Chair massages, nutritional counseling and many more organizations will be available. Got questions? Bring them to our participating professionals, including a dentist, pharmacists and optometrists for quick and up-to-date information. There will be door prizes and refreshments.

Reps. Richard W. Hinch and Stephen Shurtleff

STATE HOUSE VISITATION SCHEDULE

As a convenience to the members of the NH General Court, the Visitors' Center offers the following schedule of schools and other groups visiting the State House in 2018. These listings are to ensure all members be notified in a timely manner of visitors from their district. Our schedule is tightly booked for the school year and subject to changes. Note that large groups are divided into smaller groups for tours.

Please contact the Visitor Center concerning school tour booking information. Legislators planning to meet with students should notify the Visitor Center. Thank you for your continued participation with your School Visitation Program.

Virginia J. Drew, Director

Deborah Rivers, Public Information Administrator

<i>DATE</i>	<i>TIME</i>	<i>GROUP</i>	<i>#/GRADE</i>
April 13	9:00/10:15	Northwest Elementary School – Manchester	100/4
April 13	9:30	Moultonborough Central School	45/4
April 13	11:00	Pierce School @ Bennington & Francestown Elementary School	36/4
April 16	10:00	Woodland Heights Elementary School – Laconia	55/4
April 16	10:15/11:30	Symonds School –	72/4
April 17	9:00	Trinity Christian School – Concord	13/4
April 17	10:00 * 2 tours	Birch Hill Elementary School – Nashua	75/4
April 18	10:00/11:30	Little Harbor School – Portsmouth	80/4
April 18	9:30	Sandwich Central School	22/4
April 18	12:45	Christa McAuliffe School – Concord	44/4
April 19	9:00	Jaffrey Grade School	50/4
April 19	10:00	Marlborough Elementary School	25/4
April 19	12:34	Christa McAuliffe School – Concord	44/4
April 19	12:00	New Hampton School	15/4
April 19	2:00	Harris Hill Center – Harrisville	10/Srs
April 19	3:00	IREM (realtors)	20/adults
April 20	9:30	Londonderry Middle School	60/8
April 20	10:00/11:30 SH/HM	Garrison School – Dover	100/4
April 20	10:30	Thornton Central School	27/4
April 20	12:30	Sugar Hill Retirement Community – Wolfeboro	15/Srs
April 24	11:00	NH DCYF Youth Voices Advisory Board	20
April 24	3:00	Roads Scholars	30/Srs
April 25	9:00	NH-4-H Citizenship Focus group	
April 25	11:30	On the Road to Wellness group	
April 26	9:30	Dublin Christian Academy	15/3&4
April 26	10:00	Rollinsford Grade School	40/4
April 26	11:00	Lakes Region Home School group	
April 27	9:30/10:30	Hanover St. School- Lebanon	90/4
April 27	10:30	Home School group – Nashua	8/3-6
April 30	10:00	Unity Elementary School	48/6-8
April 30	12:45 * 2 tours	Rundlett Middle School – Concord	95/7

DATE	TIME	GROUP	#/GRADE
May 1	8:45	Lakes Region Leadership group	40/adults
May 1	10:15	North Walpole School	35/4
May 1	12:45 * 2 tours	Rundlett Middle School – Concord	88/7
May 2	9:00	Bristol Elementary School	25/4
May 2	9:30	American Council of Young Political Leaders – Macedonia Delegation	10/adults
May 2	10:15	Middleton Elementary School	25/4
May 2	11:00	St. Catherine's of Siena Elementary – Manchester	38/4
May 3	9:00	Epsom Central School	45/4
May 3	9:45	Dunbarton Elementary School	34/4
May 4	9:45/11:00	Horn St. School – Dover	100/4
May 4	10:15	Peterborough Elementary School	50/4
May 4	11:30	Pine Tree School – Ctr. Conway	45/3
May 7	9:30	St. John Regional School – Concord	21/4
May 7	10:00	Rollinsford Grade School	40/4
May 8	10:00/11:15	Lamprey River School – Raymond	100/4
May 9	9:30/11:00	Hillsboro- Deering Elementary School	90/4
May 9	10:00	Wentworth Elementary School	12/
May 10	9:30/11:00 SH/HM	Gossler Park School – Manchester	70/4
May 11	9:15	Chichester Central School	29/4
May 11	10:00	Enfield Village School	49/4
May 11	11:00	Groveton Elementary School & Stratford Public School	53/3&4
May 11	3:00	York Rite Masons	
May 14	9:30/11:00 SH/HM	Epping Elementary School	72/4
May 14	10:15/11:30	Moharimet Elementary School – Lee, Madbury, Durham	100/4
May 15	9:30/11:00 SH/HM	Stratham Memorial School	95/4
May 15	11:00	Bakersville School – Manchester	55/4
May 15	10:00	World Academy – Nashua	24/4
May 15	11:30	Monadnock Waldorf School – Keene	10/4
May 15	2:00	NH Housing Fellows	13/adults
May 16	9:30	Kensington Elementary School	15/4
May 16	10:15	Harrisville Wells School	16/3&4
May 16	10:45	Holderness Central School	12/4
May 16	11:30	Mills Falls Charter School – Manchester	26/4
May 17	9:15/10:15	Hollis Brookline High School	75/HS
May 17	10:00	Strong Foundations Charter School – Pembroke	49/4
May 18	10:00	Graham Village School	30/4
May 18	11:00	Campton Elementary School	31/4
May 21	9:00	Sandwich Central School	22/4
May 21	10:00	Pelham Elementary School	50/4
May 21	11:00	Sant Bani School – Sanbornton	12/4
May 22	9:00	St. Anthony's & St. Casimir Schools – Manchester	29/4
May 22	9:30/10:45 SH/HM	North Londonderry Elementary School	97/4
May 22	10:00	Pelham Elementary School	50/4
May 22	11:00	Milton Elementary School	50/4
May 23	10:00	Whitefield Elementary School	33/4
May 23	10:15/11:30 SH/HM	Grinnell Elementary School – Derry	82/4
May 23	1:00	Seacoast Leadership group	
May 24	10:00	Pelham Elementary School	50/4
May 24	10:30	Effingham Elementary School	24/4
May 24	12:15	Chesterfield School	
May 25	9:45	Florence Rideout School – Lyndeborough/Wilton	40/4
May 25	11:30	Henniker Community School	48/4
May 29	9:00	Bridgewater Hebron School	15/4
May 29	10:15	Bernice Ray School – Hanover	58/4
May 29	11:00	Newfound Memorial School – Bristol	35/8
May 30	9:45	Sanbornton Central School	34/4
May 30	10:45	Mountain Shadows School – Dublin	8/6
May 31	10:00/11:30 SH/HM	Mastway School – Lee	72/4

AMENDMENTS (LISTED IN NUMERICAL ORDER)

Amendment to SB 84

(2018-1279h)

Proposed by the Committee on Labor, Industrial and Rehabilitative Services - c

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

AN ACT relative to payment of workers' compensation benefits by direct deposit.

Amend the bill by replacing all after section 1 with the following:

2 Effective Date. This act shall take effect January 1, 2019.

2018-1279h

AMENDED ANALYSIS

This bill authorizes payment of compensation under the workers' compensation law to be made to the injured worker by direct deposit.

Amendment to SB 339

(2018-1271h)

Proposed by the Committee on Municipal and County Government - c

Amend the bill by replacing section 1 with the following:

1 Zoning Board of Adjustment; Voting. Amend RSA 674:33, III to read as follows:

III. The concurring vote of *any* 3 members of the board shall be necessary to ~~[reverse any action of the administrative official or to decide in favor of the applicant]~~ *take any action* on any matter on which it is required to pass.

Amendment to SB 342

(2018-1446h)

Proposed by the Minority of the Committee on Municipal and County Government - r

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

1 Use of Official Ballot; Default Budget. Amend RSA 40:13, IX(b) to read as follows:

(b) "Default budget" as used in this subdivision means the amount of the same appropriations as contained in the operating budget authorized for the previous year, reduced and increased, as the case may be, by debt service, contracts, and other obligations previously incurred or mandated by law, and reduced by one-time expenditures contained in the operating budget. For the purposes of this paragraph, one-time expenditures shall be appropriations not likely to recur in the succeeding budget, as determined by the governing body, unless the provisions of RSA 40:14-b are adopted, of the local political subdivision. *In calculating the default budget amount, the governing body shall follow the statutory formula which may result in a higher or lower amount than the proposed operating budget.*

2 Default Budget. Amend RSA 40:13, XI(a) to read as follows:

XI.(a) The default budget shall be disclosed *and presented for questions and discussion* at the first budget hearing held pursuant to RSA 32:5 or RSA 197:6. The governing body, unless the provisions of RSA 40:14-b are adopted, shall complete a default budget form created by the department of revenue administration to demonstrate how the default budget amount was calculated. *The line item details for changes under subparagraph (2) shall be available for inspection by voters.* The form and associated calculations shall, at a minimum, include the following:

(1) Appropriations contained in the previous year's operating budget;

(2) Reductions and increases to the previous year's operating budget *including identification of specific items that constitute a change by account code, and the reasons for each change;* and

(3) One-time expenditures as defined under subparagraph IX(b).

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

Amendment to SB 342

(2018-1452h)

Proposed by the Majority of the Committee on Municipal and County Government - r

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

1 Use of Official Ballot; Default Budget. Amend RSA 40:13, IX(b) to read as follows:

(b) "Default budget" as used in this subdivision means the amount of the same appropriations as contained in the operating budget authorized for the previous year, reduced and increased, as the case may be, by debt service, contracts, and other obligations previously incurred or mandated by law, and reduced by one-time expenditures contained in the operating budget *and by salaries and benefits of positions that have been eliminated in the proposed budget.* For the purposes of this paragraph, one-time expenditures

shall be appropriations not likely to recur in the succeeding budget, ***and eliminated positions shall not include vacant positions under recruitment or positions redefined in the proposed operating budget***, as determined by the governing body, unless the provisions of RSA 40:14-b are adopted, of the local political subdivision. ***In calculating the default budget amount, the governing body shall follow the statutory formula which may result in a higher or lower amount than the proposed operating budget.***

2 Default Budget. Amend RSA 40:13, XI(a) to read as follows:

XI.(a) The default budget shall be disclosed ***and presented for questions and discussion*** at the first budget hearing held pursuant to RSA 32:5 or RSA 197:6. The governing body, unless the provisions of RSA 40:14-b are adopted, shall complete a default budget form created by the department of revenue administration to demonstrate how the default budget amount was calculated. ***The line item details for changes under subparagraph (2) shall be available for inspection by voters.*** The form and associated calculations shall, at a minimum, include the following:

- (1) Appropriations contained in the previous year's operating budget;
- (2) Reductions and increases to the previous year's operating budget ***including identification of specific items that constitute a change by account code, and the reasons for each change; [and]***
- (3) One-time expenditures as defined under subparagraph IX(b); ***and***
- (4) ***Reductions for eliminated positions and benefit expenditures as defined under subparagraph IX(b).***

Amendment to SB 351

(2018-1285h)

Proposed by the Committee on Labor, Industrial and Rehabilitative Services - c

Amend RSA 281-A:23-a, V as inserted by section 1 of the bill by replacing it with the following:

V. Every managed care program shall include a sufficient number of injury management facilitators, including resident injury management facilitators, who shall be qualified by reason of education, training, and experience to manage the injured employee's medical, hospital and remedial care, vocational rehabilitation, modified duty, and return to work plans. An injury management facilitator shall work with the injured employee, employer, and medical, hospital and other providers to ensure that the injured employee receives effective, timely, and appropriate services in order to achieve maximum medical improvement and an expeditious return to work. Any person employed ***as an injury management facilitator by a managed care program or operating*** as an injury management facilitator [by] ***in conjunction with*** a managed care program ***under this section*** shall be approved by the commissioner with ratification by the workers' compensation advisory council. The commissioner shall, in consultation with the advisory council, by rule determine the number of facilitators which shall be sufficient.

Amendment to SB 374

(2018-1331h)

Proposed by the Committee on Executive Departments and Administration - c

Amend the bill by inserting after section 1 the following and renumbering the original sections 2-5 to read as 3-6, respectively:

2 New Paragraph; Emergency Medical and Trauma Services Coordinating Board; Hearing Prior to Recommendation of Minimum Standards or Protocols. Amend RSA 153-A:4 by inserting after paragraph VI the following new paragraph:

VI-a. Prior to any final vote regarding minimum standards or protocols, shall:

- (a) Provide notice of the proposed action to fire and emergency medical service members.
- (b) Allow a 60-day period for the receipt of written comments on the proposal.
- (c) Hold public hearings, one in the daytime hours and another during the evening hours, in such a way as to maximize input from fire and emergency medical service members.

Amendment to SB 391-FN

(2018-1311h)

Proposed by the Committee on Criminal Justice and Public Safety - c

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

AN ACT relative to sexual assault survivors' rights.

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

1 New Subdivision; Department of Justice; Sexual Assault Survivors' Rights. Amend RSA 21-M by inserting after section 17 the following new subdivision:

Sexual Assault Survivors' Rights

21-M:18 Sexual Assault Survivors' Rights.

I. In addition to the rights of a crime victim provided in RSA 21-M:8-k, a sexual assault survivor shall have the following rights:

(a) The right not to be prevented from, or charged for, receiving a medical examination.

(b) The right to:

(1) Have a sexual assault evidence collection kit or its probative contents preserved, without charge, for the duration of the maximum applicable statute of limitations or 20 years, whichever is shorter;

(2) Be informed of any result of a sexual assault evidence collection kit, including a DNA profile match, toxicology report, or other information collected as part of a medical forensic examination, if such disclosure would not impede or compromise an ongoing investigation; and

(3) Be informed in writing of policies governing the collection and preservation of a sexual assault evidence collection kit.

(c) The right, if the state intends to destroy or dispose of a sexual assault evidence collection kit or its probative contents before the expiration date of the maximum applicable statute of limitations, to:

(1) Upon written request, receive written notification from the prosecutor or appropriate state official with custody not later than 60 days before the date of the intended destruction or disposal; and

(2) Upon written request, be granted further preservation of the kit or its probative contents.

(d) The right to be informed of the rights under this section.

II. In this subdivision, "sexual assault survivor" includes a deceased victim of sexual assault.

21-M:19 Notification of Sexual Assault Survivors' Rights.

I. The attorney general shall provide written notice regarding sexual assault survivors' rights in RSA 21-M:18 to medical centers, hospitals, forensic examiners, sexual assault service providers, state and local law enforcement agencies, and any other state agency or department reasonably likely to serve sexual assault survivors; and shall make the information set forth in RSA 21-M:18 publicly available on the attorney general's Internet website.

II. In addition to the rights set forth in RSA 21-M:18, the attorney general shall provide written notice of the following rights to those entities listed in paragraph I:

(a) The right not to be charged fees for or otherwise prevented from pursuing a sexual assault evidence collection kit.

(b) The right to have a medical examination regardless of whether the survivor reports to or cooperates with law enforcement, and the right to have such examination at no cost pursuant to RSA 21-M:8-c.

(c) The availability of assistance from the office of victim/witness assistance pursuant to RSA 21-M:8-b.

(d) The availability of protective orders and policies related to their enforcement.

(e) Policies regarding the storage, preservation, and disposal of sexual assault evidence collection kits.

(f) The process, if any, to request preservation of sexual assault evidence collection kits or the probative evidence from such kits.

(g) The availability of victim's compensation and restitution pursuant to RSA 21-M:8-k.

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

2018-1311h

AMENDED ANALYSIS

This bill codifies the rights of sexual assault survivors.

Amendment to SB 393

(2018-1342h)

Proposed by the Committee on Municipal and County Government - c

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

AN ACT relative to county financial audits, performance audits, and forensic audits.

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

1 County Audits. Amend RSA 28:3-a to read as follows:

28:3-a County Audits. ~~[In the event that an audit is required or requested]~~ ***Upon request for an audit*** by resolution by either the board of commissioners or the county convention, the ***county*** commissioners~~[-with the approval of the executive committee of the county convention,]~~ shall, ***in agreement with the county convention***, engage the services of a certified public accountant ***fully*** qualified in municipal and county finances for the purpose of conducting an audit of the ~~[county]~~ ***county's financial*** books of ~~[account]~~ ***records***. The performance and scope of the audit shall be in accordance with generally-accepted auditing ~~[practice]~~ ***standards***. The audit shall include an examination for conformance with state and federal laws and regulations relating to county finances, including rules adopted by the commissioner of revenue administration pursuant to RSA 541-A, and shall also include an examination of any subject of county finances that may be requested either by the commissioners, by the county convention, or by the treasurer. The audit shall be completed within ~~[90]~~ ***120*** days following the close of the county fiscal year. The commissioners shall cause the report of the auditor, together with the customary management ***representation*** letter and ~~[auditee]~~ ***management*** responses, to be published with or supplementary to the annual reports of the county officers, ***with a copy forwarded to the department of revenue administration. Upon completion of a county***

audit under this section, the county convention shall review the management representation letter and management responses for compliance with the criteria described in this section and may suggest alternative or additional measures for use in subsequent audits.

2 New Sections; Counties; Performance Audits; Forensic Audits. Amend RSA 28 by inserting after section 3-a the following new sections:

28:3-b Performance Audits.

I. The county convention of any county shall have the power to engage the services of a suitable qualified entity to conduct performance audits of any county department, institution, or office as the county convention shall specifically direct. Such performance audits shall include, but not be limited to, examinations of and any determinations based upon the examinations as to achievement of goals, objectives, and specific outcome measures provided for in each department, institution, or office's budget submission. Such performance audit shall indicate the degree of achievement, and any reasons for non-achievements of objectives and outcome measures. Such audit shall also include findings regarding the appropriateness of stated objectives and outcome measures and may suggest alternative or additional measures for use in subsequent budget periods.

II. The detailed reports of every audit conducted pursuant to this section shall become a public record upon approval by the county convention. Audit work papers and notes are not public records. However, those materials necessary to support the compilations in the final audit report may be made available by majority vote of the county convention after a public hearing showing proper cause. For the purposes of this section, work papers shall include, but are not limited to, all preliminary drafts and notes used in preparing the audit report.

III. The cost of a performance audit shall be paid from a contingency fund appropriated by the county convention under RSA 24:13, II.

28:3-c Forensic Audits.

I. The county convention of any county shall have the power to engage the services of a suitable entity qualified in municipal and county finances to conduct a forensic audit of the county's financial books of record. The forensic audit may require investigative work on financial matters as directed by the county convention, including investigations of corruption, asset misappropriation, or financial statement fraud. The detailed reports of a forensic audit conducted pursuant to this section shall become a public record upon approval by the county convention. Work papers and notes are not public records. However, those materials necessary to support the compilations in the final forensic audit report may be made available by majority vote of the county convention after a public hearing showing proper cause. For the purposes of this section, work papers shall include, but are not limited to, all preliminary drafts and notes used in preparing the forensic audit report.

II. The cost of a forensic audit shall be paid from a contingency fund appropriated by the county convention under RSA 24:13, II.

3 County Convention; Powers; Contingency Fund. Amend RSA 24:13, II to read as follows:

II. Notwithstanding any other laws to the contrary, the county convention of any county shall have the power to appropriate a contingency fund to meet the cost of unanticipated expenses that may arise during the year or to provide payment for a performance audit under RSA [24:26] ***28:3-b or a forensic audit under RSA 28:3-c***, to be expended ***for a performance audit*** only upon approval by the executive committee of the county delegation[~~who~~] ***and to be expended for a forensic audit only by approval of a 3/5 vote of the county delegation present and voting. The county executive committee*** shall make a detailed report of all expenditures from said fund to be published annually in the county annual report. The amount in said fund shall not exceed one percent of the amount appropriated by the county for county purposes exclusive of capital budget and debt retirement during the preceding year.

4 Repeal. RSA 24:26, relative to county performance audits, is repealed.

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

2018-1342h

AMENDED ANALYSIS

This bill modifies a county's authority for conducting county audits and performance audits, and allows for the contracting for a forensic audit by the county convention.

Amendment to SB 446

(2018-1357h)

Proposed by the Committee on Science, Technology and Energy - c

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

1 Net Energy Metering; Definition of Eligible Customer-generator. Amend RSA 362-A:1-a, II-b to read as follows:

II-b. "Eligible customer-generator" or "customer-generator" means an electric utility customer who owns, operates, or purchases power from an electrical generating facility either powered by renewable energy or which employs a heat led combined heat and power system, with a total peak generating capacity of up to and including [one megawatt,] ***5 megawatts and*** that is located behind a retail meter on the customer's premises, is interconnected and operates in parallel with the electric grid, and is used to offset the customer's

own electricity requirements. Incremental generation added to an existing generation facility, that does not itself qualify for net metering, shall qualify if such incremental generation meets the qualifications of this paragraph and is metered separately from the nonqualifying facility.

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

2018-1357h

AMENDED ANALYSIS

This bill increases the electric generating capacity of customer generators who may participate in net energy metering.

Amendment to SB 456

(2018-1328h)

Proposed by the Committee on Executive Departments and Administration - c

Amend the bill by replacing section 5 with the following:

5 Effective Date. This act shall take effect July 1, 2019.

Amendment to SB 489

(2018-1395h)

Proposed by the Committee on Children and Family Law - c

Amend the bill by replacing section 3 with the following:

3 Duties.

I. The committee shall:

- (a) Define parental alienation and identify its characteristics.
- (b) Examine the causes, costs, and effects of parental alienation, including but not limited to the effects on minor children, the effects on adult children, and the secondary effects of parental alienation.
- (c) Examine the relationship between parental alienation and domestic abuse, violent crime, substance abuse, and mental illness.
- (d) Examine the role of the courts, including guardians ad litem, in cases involving parental alienation.
- (e) Study the treatment of parental alienation, both for the perpetrators and the victims.
- (f) Examine what, if any, preventative measures should be implemented.
- (g) Study any other related matters it deems appropriate.

II. The committee may seek information from doctors, psychologists, sociologists, judges, victims, the National Conference of State Legislatures, and any other body or individual with relevant information.

Amendment to SB 493

(2018-1171h)

Proposed by the Committee on Judiciary - c

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

AN ACT relative to procedures for determining and disclosing exculpatory evidence in a police officer's personnel file.

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

1 New Subdivision; Police Officers; Disclosure of Exculpatory Evidence; Termination Prohibited. Amend RSA 105 by inserting after section 13-c the following new subdivision:

Disclosure of Exculpatory Evidence

105:13-d Disclosure of Exculpatory Evidence.

I. In this subdivision:

(a) "Exculpatory evidence" means any information required to be disclosed to the defendant in a criminal case under the federal constitution or the state constitution.

(b) "Personnel file" includes all employment records and any related internal affairs investigations.

II. The prosecutor shall have access to the complete personnel file of any police officer who may be a witness for either party in any criminal case for the purpose of determining the existence of potentially exculpatory evidence. If the prosecutor cannot determine whether such evidence is exculpatory, he or she shall petition the court for an in camera review of the evidence. No prosecutor who reviews a police officer's personnel file shall disclose any information obtained as a result of the review, except as required in this paragraph or to the extent necessary to comply with the federal constitution or state constitution. The personnel file shall remain confidential unless otherwise provided by law.

III. When the head of a law enforcement agency determines that a police officer's personnel file may contain potentially exculpatory evidence, he or she shall notify the police officer of that determination. The police officer shall have the opportunity to challenge the disciplinary finding or other administrative action resulting from the potentially exculpatory evidence through available contractual, administrative, and legal means. However, the pendency of such challenge shall not prevent the disclosure of the potentially exculpatory evidence in a criminal proceeding in which an officer is a potential witness.

IV. The duty to disclose exculpatory evidence that should have been disclosed prior to trial shall be an ongoing duty that extends beyond a finding of guilt.

105:13-e Termination Prohibited. No police officer shall have his or her employment terminated based solely on a determination that the officer has potentially exculpatory evidence in his or her personnel file which may need to be disclosed to a criminal defendant. Nothing in this section shall prohibit the employing authority from terminating a police officer's employment based on conduct that is the subject of the exculpatory evidence.

2 Repeal. RSA 105:13-b, relative to confidentiality of police personnel files, is repealed.

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

2018-1171h

AMENDED ANALYSIS

This bill requires a determination of whether information in a police officer's personnel file constitutes exculpatory evidence and allows a police officer who has information determined to be exculpatory evidence in his or her personnel file to have an opportunity to challenge the disciplinary finding.

Amendment to SB 496-FN

(2018-1259h)

Proposed by the Committee on Children and Family Law - c

Amend the bill by replacing section 1 with the following:

1 Parental Rights and Responsibilities; Support. Amend RSA 461-A:14, XVIII to read as follows:

XVIII. Any motion for contempt of a court order regarding nonpayment of child support, if filed by a parent, shall be reviewed by the court within 30 days. ***When the arrearage equals or exceeds the equivalent of 8 weeks of child support under the existing order, the matter of the arrearage may be scheduled for mediation through the court within 30 days of the filing of the motion for contempt of court unless a hearing on the motion is scheduled earlier. The mediation shall not consider modification of the child support order. The court shall not order mediation if there is a finding of domestic violence as defined in RSA 173-B:1, unless all parties agree to the mediation.***

Amendment to SB 498-FN

(2018-1479h)

Proposed by the Committee on Judiciary - c

Amend RSA 617:12, I as inserted by section 1 of the bill by replacing it with the following:

I. The attorney general, no later than 120 days after the close of the fiscal year, shall post a report on the department of justice website detailing state forfeiture activity, for the preceding fiscal year, including the type, approximate value, and disposition of the property seized, and the amount of any proceeds received or expended at the state and local levels. The report shall provide a categorized accounting of all proceeds expended. Summary data on seizures, forfeitures, and expenditures of forfeiture proceeds shall be provided by the law enforcement agency in disaggregated form to the attorney general.

Amendment to SB 506

(2018-1300h)

Proposed by the Committee on Municipal and County Government - c

Amend RSA 39:3 as inserted by section 1 of the bill by replacing it with the following:

39:3 Articles. Upon the written application of 25 or more registered voters or 2 percent of the registered voters in town, whichever is less, although in no event shall fewer than 10 registered voters be sufficient, presented to the selectmen or one of them not later than the fifth Tuesday before the day prescribed for an annual meeting, the selectmen shall insert in their warrant for such meeting the petitioned article with only such minor textual changes as may be required. ***Such corrections shall not in any way change the intended effect of the article as presented in the original language of the petition.*** For the purposes of this section, the number of registered voters in a town shall be the number of voters registered prior to the last state general election. The right to have an article inserted in the warrant conferred by this section shall not be invalidated by the provisions of RSA 32. In towns with fewer than 10,000 inhabitants upon the written application of 50 or more voters or 1/4 of the voters in town, whichever is fewer, and in towns with 10,000 or more inhabitants upon the written application of 5 percent of the registered voters in the town, so presented not less than 60 days before the next annual meeting, the selectmen shall warn a special meeting to act upon any question specified in such application. The checklist for an annual or special town meeting shall be corrected by the supervisors of the checklist as provided in RSA 654:25-31. Those persons qualified to vote whose names are on the corrected checklist shall be entitled to vote at the meeting. The same checklist used at a recessed town meeting shall be used at any reconvened session of the same town meeting. In no event shall a special town meeting be held on the biennial election day.

Amend RSA 197:6 as inserted by section 2 of the bill by replacing it with the following:

197:6 Warrant and Articles. Upon the written application of 25 or more voters or 2 percent of the voters of the school district, whichever is less, although in no event shall fewer than 10 registered voters be sufficient, presented to the school board or one of them not later than 30 days before the date prescribed for the school district meeting or the second Tuesday in March, whichever is earlier, the school board shall insert in the school district warrant for such meeting the petitioned article with only such minor textual changes as may be required. No article may be inserted after posting of said warrant. ***Corrections to petitioned warrant articles shall not in any way change the intended effect of the article as presented in the original petition.*** The right to have an article inserted in the warrant conferred by this section shall not be invalidated by the provisions of RSA 32.

2018-1300h

AMENDED ANALYSIS

This bill limits amendments to petitioned warrant articles to minor textual corrections that do not change the intended effect of the article.

Amendment to SB 507

(2018-1350h)

Proposed by the Committee on Executive Departments and Administration - c

Amend the bill by replacing section 2 with the following:

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

Amendment to SB 510

(2018-1474h)

Proposed by the Committee on Municipal and County Government - c

Amend RSA 72:23, I(b)(1)(B) as inserted by section 1 of the bill by replacing it with the following:

(B) Annually, on or before April 15, the lessors of all leases and other agreements, the terms of which provide for the use or occupation by others of real or personal property owned by the state or a county, city, town, school district, or village district, including those properties identified under subparagraph (d), shall provide written notice and a copy of the lease or other agreement to the assessing officials of the municipality in which the property is located.

Amendment to SB 544-FN

(2018-1409h)

Proposed by the Committee on Finance - r

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

AN ACT transferring department of safety funds to the fire standards and training and emergency medical services fund.

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

1 Department of Safety; Transfer of Funds. For the biennium ending June 30, 2019, and contingent upon approval of the fiscal committee of the general court, the sum of \$130,000 of funds that would otherwise lapse, shall be transferred from sums appropriated to the department of safety pursuant to 2017, 155 and 156, to the fire standards and training and emergency medical services fund established in RSA 21-P:12-d.

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

2018-1409h

AMENDED ANALYSIS

This bill provides for a transfer of department of safety funds which would lapse on July 1, 2019 to the fire standards and training and emergency medical services fund.

Amendment to SB 553-FN

(2018-1347h)

Proposed by the Majority of the Committee on Labor, Industrial and Rehabilitative Services - r

Amend RSA 281-A:17-a, I(a)(2) as inserted by section 1 of the bill by replacing it with the following:

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

Amend RSA 281-A:17-a, I(a)(14)-(18) as inserted by section 1 of the bill by replacing them with the following:

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

(15) An attorney, appointed by the New Hampshire Association of Justice.

Amend RSA 281-A:17-a, II(a)(5) as inserted by section 1 of the bill by replacing it with the following:

(5) The degree to which employers currently provide peer-to-peer counseling programs for first responders, the effectiveness of such programs, and the degree to which such programs should be expanded and funded.

Amend RSA 281-A:17-a, II(a)(10) as inserted by section 1 of the bill by replacing it with the following:

(10) The cost that creating a rebuttal presumption that PTSD was caused uncured during service in the line of duty would impose on public employers, private employers, and taxpayers, and funding solutions to mitigate such cost.

Amend RSA 281-A:17-a, III as inserted by section 1 of the bill by replacing it with the following:

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

Amendment to SB 556-FN

(2018-1253h)

Proposed by the Committee on Criminal Justice and Public Safety - c

Amend the introductory paragraph of RSA 597:2, IV(a) as inserted by section 3 of the bill by replacing it with the following:

IV.(a) If a person is charged with any criminal offense, an offense listed in RSA 173-B:1, I or a violation of a protective order under RSA 458:16, III, or after arraignment, with a violation of a protective order issued under RSA 173-B, the court may order preventive detention without bail, or, in the alternative, may order restrictive conditions including but not limited to electronic monitoring and supervision, only if the court determines by clear and convincing evidence that release will endanger the safety of that person or the public. The court may consider the following conduct as evidence of posing a danger, including, but not limited to: Amend the bill by replacing section 6 with the following:

6 Annulment of Criminal Records. Amend RSA 651:5, III(a) and (b) to read as follows:

(a)(1) For a violation *with a conviction date prior to January 1, 2019 or a violation with a conviction date on or after January 1, 2019 that was not the highest offense of conviction*, one year, unless the underlying conviction was for an offense specified under RSA 259:39.

(2) *For a violation with a conviction date on or after January 1, 2019 where the violation was the highest offense of conviction, unless the underlying conviction was for an offense specified under RSA 259:39, or another violation for which there is an enhanced penalty for a subsequent conviction, after the person has completed all the terms and conditions of the sentence. Upon completion of a petition by the person stating that the conviction is eligible for annulment, the court shall submit a notice of its determination to the person convicted of the offense and to the prosecutor. The prosecutor shall have 20 days from the date of receipt of the notice to object to the annulment on the ground that the offense is not eligible for annulment or that the person has not completed all the terms and conditions of the sentence. If the prosecutor fails to timely object or the court denies the prosecutor's objection, the court shall annul the conviction.*

(b)(1) For a class B misdemeanor *with a conviction date prior to January 1, 2019 or a class B misdemeanor with a conviction date on or after January 1, 2019 that was not the highest offense of conviction*, except as provided in subparagraphs (f) and (h), 2 years.

(2) *For a class B misdemeanor with a conviction date on or after January 1, 2019 where the class B misdemeanor was the highest offense of conviction, except as provided in subparagraphs (f) and (h), 2 years after the person has completed all the terms and conditions of the sentence. Upon completion of a petition by the person stating that the class B misdemeanor is eligible for annulment, the court shall submit a notice of its determination to the person convicted of the offense and to the prosecutor. The prosecutor shall have 20 days from the date of receipt of the notice to object to the annulment on the ground that the offense is not eligible for annulment or that the person has not completed all the terms and conditions of the sentence. If the prosecutor fails to timely object or the court denies the prosecutor's objection, the court shall annul the conviction.*