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HOUSE CALENDAR

MEMBERS OF THE HOUSE:

Over the summer, House calendars will be published on a bi-weekly basis. The next calendar will be on July 16, 2026.

On Friday, July 10 at 1 p.m. in Representatives Hall, a portrait of Wentworth Cheswill will be unveiled to the public. Wentworth was a Patriot at the nation's founding, having fought alongside John Langdon at the Battle of Saratoga and is widely considered the first person of African descent elected to office in the United States. He will be the first person of color with a portrait on the walls of the State House, a long overdue acknowledgment of his shaping of his community and state. Members and guests are welcome to attend.

In keeping with past practice to minimize travel costs, there will be no legislative activity or mileage reimbursement in July and August, unless special circumstances arise and pre-authorization is granted or if you are a member of a statutory committee that is statutorily required to meet during that period. Standing committees may take up interim study work in June and/or September/October.

With several national conferences and other events taking place throughout the Summer and Fall, Members should be aware of their obligations under RSA 14-C and the Legislative Ethics Guidelines. Members are permitted to accept reimbursement for the reasonable expenses for attendance, registration, travel, meals, and lodging related to a bona fide conference, meeting, seminar, or educational, cultural, or informational program related to the legislator's office (for example, reimbursement or stipends received from an organization such as NCSL or CSG) so long as disclosure of any such reimbursement is made no later than the last day of the month following the month during which the expense reimbursement was received. This disclosure shall be reported on an "Honorarium or Expense Reimbursement Report" and filed with the Secretary of State's Office. The form can be downloaded from the Legislative Ethics Committee's website at https://gc.nh.gov/ethics/Honorarium_Expense_Reimbursement_Report.pdf. Payments received from the House do not have to be reported on the form. If you have any questions on ethics filings, please feel free to contact Rich Lambert, Executive Administrator of the Legislative Ethics Committee, at richard.lambert@gc.nh.gov or at (603) 271-3326.

House members with inquiries about statutory or study commissions/committee appointments may send an email to houseappointments@gc.nh.gov or call the Speaker's Office at 603-271-3661.

When travelling out-of-state, and throughout your service in the House, please remember that your state issued EZ-Pass devices will not work outside of New Hampshire. Members are reminded to utilize our Visitor's Center staff if you wish to bring family and friends on a tour of our historic State House.

As always, please make every effort to be civil, kind and professional with your colleagues, staff, and constituents. Our principles of conduct (paragraph IV), appropriately require us to "...treat each other, legislative employees, and the public with dignity and respect." As elected officials we should hold ourselves to high standards even in the most contentious of times.

Sherman A. Packard, Speaker of the House

NOTICE

THERE WILL BE NO HOUSE CALENDAR NEXT WEEK.

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, July 15, 2026
 Wednesday, July 29, 2026
 Wednesday, August 12, 2026
 Wednesday, August 26, 2026

AVAILABLE ON:

Friday, July 17, 2026
 Friday, July 31, 2026
 Friday, August 14, 2026
 Friday, August 28, 2026

Paul C. Smith, Clerk of the House

2026 HOUSE DEADLINES

Second Year Session Deadlines

Tuesday, September 1, 2026	First day for incumbents running for re-election to file LSRs with complete information
Friday, September 11, 2026	Last day prior to the General Election for incumbents running for re-election to file LSRs with complete information
Friday, October 23, 2026	Last day to file 2026 Interim Study reports
Wednesday, November 4, 2026	First day for all Representatives to file LSRs with complete information
Wednesday, November 18, 2026	Last day to file LSRs with complete information (4:00 p.m.) Ten-day signoff begins
Tuesday, January 5, 2027	Last day to sign-off on all LSRs (4:00 p.m.)
Friday, January 15, 2027	Last day to introduce House Bills Last day to amend House Rules by majority vote

GOVERNOR'S VETO MESSAGE REGARDING HOUSE BILL 221

I have questions about the impact of this legislation. I understand that this language is also attached to another bill scheduled for a conference committee and will work with the conference committee in an effort to reach an outcome that is protective of ratepayers. For the reasons stated above, I have vetoed House Bill 221.

Respectfully submitted,
 Kelly A. Ayotte, Governor
 Date: May 22, 2026

GOVERNOR'S VETO MESSAGE REGARDING HOUSE BILL 1072

While this bill is the product of thoughtful conversations and important considerations, it unnecessarily restricts the Department of Labor's critical authority to swiftly respond to emergent situations where employers have failed to pay wages to their employees. New Hampshire families depend on timely paychecks, and we cannot delay the Department's ability to react in those circumstances. For the reasons stated above, I have decided to veto HB 1072.

Respectfully submitted,
 Kelly A. Ayotte, Governor
 Date: June 16, 2026

GOVERNOR'S VETO MESSAGE REGARDING HOUSE BILL 1097

I have tremendous respect for the principle of separation of powers outlined in the New Hampshire Constitution, and I find no compelling reason that the Legislature should be given responsibility over the process of removing historical markers. Governor Sununu vetoed similar legislation to this in 2024 on the same grounds. For these reasons, I have decided to veto HB 1097.

Respectfully submitted,
 Kelly A. Ayotte, Governor
 Date: June 19, 2026

GOVERNOR'S VETO MESSAGE REGARDING HOUSE BILL 1267

I appreciate the Legislature's attention to protecting children and respecting parental rights. However, I also have concerns about the scope and unintended impacts of this legislation as drafted. After consulting with the Attorney General's Office, this bill could both impede criminal investigations and negatively impact public safety. For the reason stated above, I have vetoed House Bill 1267.

Respectfully submitted,
 Kelly A. Ayotte, Governor
 Date: May 28, 2026

GOVERNOR'S VETO MESSAGE REGARDING HOUSE BILL 1369

Town meetings are where some of the most important decisions that affect Granite Staters' daily lives are made and play a critical role in ensuring local community voices are heard. The public posting of town meetings notices in print is an important part of notice to ensure participation in the decision-making process. Allowing municipalities to only post these notices online or at the place of the meeting but otherwise not in a printed publication can limit public participation. That is a step in the wrong direction for New Hampshire. For these reasons, I have vetoed HB 1369.

Respectfully submitted,
Kelly A. Ayotte, Governor
Date: June 19, 2026

GOVERNOR'S VETO MESSAGE REGARDING HOUSE BILL 1491

Risk pools are cooperative self-insurance organizations that allow our municipalities, counties, and school districts to manage health care costs and other risks instead of utilizing commercial insurance. Predictability is essential to deliver on this goal, which means reserves driven by actuarial expertise and operations following industry best practices. Unfortunately, both bills reforming risk pool operations fail to deliver on these needs. HB 1491 creates a "choose-your-own-regulator" model that dilutes necessary oversight. SB 661 arbitrarily caps reserves to manage liabilities as well as mandating an immediate policy change impacting current health care policies for hundreds of municipalities and school districts across the state. As we have seen from recent risk pool failures, this is an important policy area to get right and these proposals need more work. For those reasons I am vetoing HB 1491 and SB 661.

Respectfully submitted,
Kelly A. Ayotte, Governor
Date: July 7, 2026

GOVERNOR'S VETO MESSAGE REGARDING HOUSE BILL 1643

The role of the guardian ad litem is to assist the court in determining the best interests of the child. To that end, under current law guardians ad litem are directed by the court to gather information and, only if specifically requested by the court, make certain recommendations relating to parenting plans, schedules, and decision-making responsibilities. Ultimately, the court is responsible for making determinations relative to a child's welfare. This bill would strip the authority of the court to request a guardian ad litem provide recommendations for consideration by the judge and limits information available to the court, which could impede its ability to ensure the best interests of a child. For the reasons stated above, I have decided to veto HB 1643.

Respectfully submitted,
Kelly A. Ayotte, Governor
Date: June 13, 2026

GOVERNOR'S VETO MESSAGE REGARDING HOUSE BILL 1726

I agree that we need to improve the management of state-owned assets such as surplus land. However, the change of law in this bill limits the proceeds of sales or leases to the fund originally used to purchase the property. This is not an efficient or fiscally prudent structure for allocating revenues and does not improve state management of surplus land. For that reason, I am vetoing House Bill 1726.

Respectfully submitted,
Kelly A. Ayotte, Governor
Date: June 19, 2026

GOVERNOR'S VETO MESSAGE REGARDING HOUSE BILL 1766

It's important that we protect livestock owners' due process rights and ensure fair treatment under the law. However, HB 1766 would hinder the ability of local law enforcement, veterinarians, and animal welfare professionals to respond to cases involving neglect and abuse of animals. By centralizing power with the State, this bill would increase the size of state government, cost taxpayers more money, increase animals' pain and suffering, and lead to forced euthanasia of abused but otherwise healthy animals.

Respectfully submitted,
Kelly A. Ayotte, Governor
Date: June 19, 2026

BILLS LAID ON THE TABLE

CACR 22, relating to the compensation of the legislature. Providing that the present compensation per elected term for legislators is hereby abolished. Pending question: Inexpedient to Legislate.

HB 414-FN, prohibiting the division of motor vehicles from suspending a license on the basis of debt owed to a private entity related to the towing or storing of a motor vehicle. Pending question: Inexpedient to Legislate.

HB 609-FN, relative to the general court's authority over the sale, purchase, ownership, use, possession, transportation, licensing, permitting, taxation, and other matter pertaining to firearms, stun guns, Tasers, pepper spray devices, knives and other self-defense tools. Pending question: Committee of Conference Report.

HB 652-FN, abolishing the family division, creating the office of family mediation, and reassigning the jurisdiction of the family division. Pending question: Inexpedient to Legislate.

HB 748-FN, establishing a local education freedom account program. Pending question: majority committee amendment.

HB 1002-FN, repealing the solar energy systems tax exemption. Pending question: Ought to Pass

HB 1046, enabling a person to carry a firearm on a snowmobile being operated on private property. Pending question: majority committee amendment.

HB 1067-FN, relative to the mental health courts. Pending question: Inexpedient to Legislate.

HB 1063-FN, reducing the amount of meals and rooms taxes operators can retain. Pending question: Inexpedient to Legislate.

HB 1098-FN, relative to municipalities denying building or occupancy permits for property adjacent to class VI roads under certain circumstances. Pending question: Inexpedient to Legislate.

HB 1105-FN, making the term of office for certain Belknap county elected officials 4 years. Pending question: Ought to Pass

HB 1114, relative to the documentation and preservation of public comment reports by standing legislative committees. Pending question: Inexpedient to Legislate.

HB 1176-FN, relative to the display of license plates on vehicles. Pending question: Inexpedient to Legislate.

HB 1264, increasing the requirements of the education freedom savings account oversight committee and modifying the purpose of the committee. Pending question: Inexpedient to Legislate.

HB 1317, relative to patient privacy protections. Pending question: Inexpedient to Legislate.

HB 1322-FN, reestablishing the judicial conduct commission. Pending question: Inexpedient to Legislate.

HB 1367, establishing a criminal offense of doxing. Pending question: Ought to Pass.

HB1387, repealing limiting liability for certain design features of firearms. Pending question: Inexpedient to Legislate.

HB 1393, relative to the definition of public servant and the offense of official oppression. Pending question: Inexpedient to Legislate.

HB 1396, relative to vacancies in state offices. Pending question: majority committee amendment.

HB 1402, relative to credentials for the position of superintendent of schools. Pending question: Inexpedient to Legislate.

HB 1403, relative to credentials for the position of school business administrator. Pending question: Inexpedient to Legislate.

HB 1409-FN, modifying the deposit of revenues collected from video lottery terminals. Pending question: Inexpedient to Legislate.

HB 1418, setting a minimum affirmative vote for new or expanded spending for SB 2 towns. Pending question: majority committee amendment.

HB 1436-FN, relative to the classification and protection of personal digital information and cloud-stored files. Pending question: Inexpedient to Legislate.

HB 1446, providing that an individual's use of therapeutic cannabis shall not disqualify the individual from the purchase, ownership, or possession of a firearm. Pending question: Inexpedient to Legislate.

HB 1451, relative to protecting workers from extreme temperature-related injuries and fatalities in the workplace. Pending question: Inexpedient to Legislate.

HB 1454-FN, relative to the possession of firearms following a court order requiring surrender of firearms and ammunition. Pending question: Inexpedient to Legislate.

HB 1484, establishing a state minimum wage and providing for incremental increases. Inexpedient to Legislate.

HB 1500, establishing a commission to study and propose procedures in the event of a state government shutdown. Pending question: Inexpedient to Legislate.

HB 1572-FN, relative to licensure as a master licensed alcohol and drug counselor. Pending question: committee amendment.

HB 1578, adds definitions and reporting requirements relative to education freedom accounts. Pending question: Inexpedient to Legislate

HB 1607-FN, relative to the use and storage of road salt. Pending question: majority committee amendment.

HB 1612 -FN, relative to the use of price-fixing websites, algorithms, or other software by landlords. Pending question: Inexpedient to Legislate.

HB 1616-FN, prohibiting state agencies and political subdivisions from advertising or expending funds to advertise vaccines in the state of New Hampshire. Pending question: committee amendment.

HB 1640, relative to consent for school billing purposes. Pending question: Inexpedient to Legislate.

HB 1641-FN, relative to petitions for certain orders of protection where the subject of the order is either released on bail or on probation. Pending question: Inexpedient to Legislate.

HB 1653, relative to emergency medical care provided at freestanding hospital emergency facilities. Pending question: Inexpedient to Legislate.

HB 1655-FN, establishing a funding source for maintaining state owned dams. Pending question: No pending question.

HB 1675, establishing a commission to investigate the New Hampshire Coalition Against Sexual and Domestic Violence and requiring funding only be provided for the direct services materially benefitting survivors of sexual and domestic assault. Pending question: committee amendment.

HB 1701 -FN, reestablishing the New Hampshire college graduate retention incentive partnership program and making an appropriation therefor. Pending question: Inexpedient to Legislate.

HB 1720-FN, relative to notice to child day care providers of child care scholarships. Pending question: No pending question.

HB 1721-FN, relative to limiting new system enrollment and adjusting compliance payments under the renewable portfolio standard program. Pending question: majority committee amendment.

HB 1741-FN, relative to the enrollment and use of distributed energy resource aggregations by electric utilities. Pending question: Inexpedient to Legislate.

HB 1752-FN, requiring the creation of a ticket to follow timber through the harvesting and production process to establish a chain of custody. Pending question: majority committee amendment.

HB 1777-FN, relative to the enhanced 911 system fund. Pending question: Inexpedient to Legislate.

HB 1786-FN, relative to creating a state assessment on non-homestead luxury second homes to fund state-wide housing development programs and address housing shortages and making appropriations therefor. No pending question.

HB 1798-FN, relative to the coverage of diapers under the state Medicaid plan. Pending question: Inexpedient to Legislate.

HB 1814-FN, establishing a 10-year strategic housing and infrastructure plan. Pending question: Inexpedient to Legislate.

HB 1820-FN, requiring the department of education to administer the education freedom account program. Pending question: Inexpedient to Legislate.

HB 1822-FN, relative to reporting of civil immigration detentions by state, county, and local law enforcement and correctional facilities. Pending question: Inexpedient to Legislate.

HB 1831-FN, repealing the education trust fund targeted aid cap. Pending question: Inexpedient to Legislate.

HB 1834-FN, relative to the education freedom account enrollment cap. Pending question: Inexpedient to Legislate.

HCR 11, declaring the directives of the judicial branch in the Claremont cases that the legislative and executive branches define an "adequate education," adopt "standards of accountability," and "guarantee adequate funding" of a public education are not binding on the legislative and executive branches. Pending question: Refer for Interim Study.

HCR 13, requesting Congress to call a constitutional convention relative to implementing term limits for elected members of both houses of Congress. Pending question: Ought to Pass

HR 38, authorizing and directing the house judiciary committee to investigate whether cause exists for the impeachment of any justice of the New Hampshire supreme court. Pending question: Inexpedient to Legislate.

SB 431, relative to violations of the prohibition on teaching discrimination. Pending question: Ought to Pass.

SB 439, relative to municipal data center zoning. Pending question: majority committee amendment.

SB 101-FN, authorizing parents to enroll their children in any public school in the state. No pending question.

SB 501, relative to authorization of seclusion or restraint during a personal safety emergency by a physician, physician associate, or advanced practice registered nurse. Pending question: Inexpedient to Legislate.

SB 520, relative to breast surgeries for minors. Pending question: Inexpedient to Legislate.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS

FRIDAY, JULY 10

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

2:00 p.m. Regular meeting.

This meeting will take place by remote conference. Please register for the meeting on July 10, 2026 2:00 PM EST at:

<https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/8637317398493433177>

After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the webinar. You also may join the meeting by phone: Call in Number: 1(562) 247-8422 Access Code: 190-004-962 Webinar ID: 388-954-979

The following email address will be monitored throughout the meeting by someone who can assist with and alert the committee to any technical issues: Amy.E.Rousseau@des.nh.gov. You may also call Amy Rousseau at 603-271-8801.

MONDAY, JULY 13

NEW HAMPSHIRE DRUG OVERDOSE FATALITY REVIEW COMMISSION (RSA 126-DD:1), Executive Council Chambers RM 207

2:00 p.m. Regular meeting.

NEW HAMPSHIRE-IRELAND TRADE COUNCIL (RSA 12-O:22-a), Department of Business and Economic Affairs, 100 North Main Street, Suite 100, Concord

10:00 a.m. Regular meeting.

TUESDAY, JULY 14

COMMITTEE ON LEGISLATOR ORIENTATION (RSA 17-C:1), Room 122-123, SH

10:00 a.m. Organizational meeting.

HOUSE LEGISLATIVE FACILITIES SUBCOMMITTEE (RSA 17-E:5), Room 100, SH

2:30 p.m. Or immediately following the JLFC. Regular meeting.

JOINT COMMITTEE ON LEGISLATIVE FACILITIES (RSA 17-E:1), Room 100, SH

1:10 p.m. Or immediately following Senate meeting. Regular meeting.

THURSDAY, JULY 16

ADMINISTRATIVE RULES (RSA 541-A:2), Room 100, SH

9:00 a.m. Regular meeting.

WEDNESDAY, JULY 29

RACING AND CHARITABLE GAMING STUDY COMMISSION (RSA 284:6-c), 14 Integra Dr., Concord

10:00 a.m. Regular meeting.

MONDAY, AUGUST 3

NEW HAMPSHIRE CANADIAN TRADE COUNCIL (RSA 12-O:22), Department of Business and Economic Affairs, Caswell Conference Room, 100 North Main Street, Concord

9:00 a.m. Regular meeting.

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 5

ASSESSING STANDARDS BOARD (RSA 21-J:14-a), Training Room, Department of Revenue Administration, 109 Pleasant Street, Concord

9:30 a.m. Subcommittee meeting.

MONDAY, AUGUST 10

ADVISORY COUNCIL ON CAREER AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION (RSA 188-E:10-b), 25 Hall Street, Concord

9:00 a.m. Regular meeting.

THURSDAY, AUGUST 13

PUBLIC HIGHER EDUCATION STUDY COMMITTEE (RSA 187-A:28-a), University of New Hampshire's Health Sciences Simulation Center, 25 Colovos Road, Durham

10:00 a.m. Regular meeting.

FRIDAY, AUGUST 14

**THE GOVERNOR'S COMMISSION ON ADDICTION, TREATMENT AND PREVENTION (RSA 12-J:1),
NH State House, 107 N Main St., Concord, Executive Council Chambers, Room 208**

9:30 a.m. Regular meeting.

REVISED FISCAL NOTES

The following bills have a revised fiscal note: HB 112, HB 164, HB 194, HB 215, HB 219, HB 224, HB 241, HB 518, HB 524, HB 547, HB 563, HB 570, HB 572, HB 595, HB 607, HB 609, HB 611, HB 619, HB 621, HB 624, HB 629, HB 630, HB 635, HB 648, HB 649, HB 651, HB 652, HB 665, HB 671, HB 675, HB 686, HB 716, HB 721, HB 725, HB 727, HB 729, HB 734, HB 751, HB 767, HB 772, HB 773, HB 1013, HB 1029, HB 1088, HB 1130, HB 1141, HB 1170, HB 1176, HB 1184, HB 1197, HB 1199, HB 1207, HB 1262, HB 1301, HB 1328, HB 1356, HB 1419, HB 1420, HB 1426, HB 1433, HB 1442, HB 1457, HB 1466, HB 1469, HB 1471, HB 1477, HB 1483, HB 1492, HB 1499, HB 1522, HB 1523, HB 1542, HB 1554, HB 1555, HB 1566, HB 1576, HB 1594, HB 1600, HB 1602, HB 1603, HB 1622, HB 1651, HB 1655, HB 1705, HB 1708, HB 1709, HB 1718, HB 1727, HB 1739, HB 1740, HB 1747, HB 1748, HB 1751, HB 1752, HB 1753, HB 1754, HB 1760, HB 1761, HB 1763, HB 1764, HB 1765, HB 1767, HB 1768, HB 1769, HB 1770, HB 1771, HB 1772, HB 1773, HB 1775, HB 1776, HB 1777, HB 1778, HB 1781, HB 1782, HB 1783, HB 1784, HB 1786, HB 1787, HB 1788, HB 1789, HB 1790, HB 1792, HB 1793, HB 1794, HB 1796, HB 1797, HB 1798, HB 1799, HB 1802, HB 1803, HB 1807, HB 1808, HB 1810, HB 1812, HB 1815, HB 1818, HB 1819, HB 1820, HB 1822, HB 1823, HB 1824, HB 1825, HB 1826, HB 1827, HB 1830, HB 1831, HB 1832, HB 1833, HB 1834, HB 1837. SB 36, SB 49, SB 71, SB 101, SB 103, SB 112, SB 134, SB 223, SB 247, SB 256, SB 298, SB 408, SB 425, SB 448, SB 449, SB 450, SB 454, SB 457, SB 465, SB 470, SB 480, SB 481, SB 482, SB 491, SB 492, SB 502, SB 505, SB 510, SB 511, SB 512, SB 515, SB 519, SB 534, SB 540, SB 543, SB 545, SB 548, SB 549, SB 550, SB 557, SB 559, SB 567, SB 580, SB 589, SB 591, SB 592, SB 593, SB 600, SB 606, SB 608, SB 614, SB 619, SB 620, SB 624, SB 625, SB 627, SB 632, SB 640, SB 642, SB 643, SB 652, SB 656, SB 657, SB 661, SB 663, SB 665, SB 669, SB 670.

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.

Save The Date: Legislators' Day at the League of NH Craftsman's Fair will be **Wednesday August 5**. Details to follow - watch your email. Free ticket with RSVP and preferred parking. It's a wonderful opportunity to celebrate the artisans who drive much cultural and economic impact for our state with 20,000 attendees each year.

Rep. Hope Damon

The Founders Academy Public Charter School invites legislators to support their upcoming golf tournament, taking place on **Monday, August 10, 2026**, at Stonebridge Country Club in Goffstown. This special event will bring together golf enthusiasts, community partners, and local businesses for a day of friendly competition and philanthropy—all in support of students. [2nd Annual Founders Academy Golf Tournament on Aug. 10](#). Participants and sponsors encouraged.

Reps. Maureen Mooney and Mark Warden