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HOUSE CALENDAR

NOTICE

MEMBERS OF THE HOUSE:

Thank you for your cooperation in acting expeditiously on Tuesday to provide the state match for the ice storm relief money and the additional distribution to the counties of proportionate share funds. It demonstrates that when we achieve consensus, we can really move.

The House will not meet during the month of July, nor do we anticipate meeting in August either. Depending on when the Senate completes its work on Claremont bills, we could be back in session sometime in September. Meanwhile committees will be meeting for work on bills sent to interim study. It would be helpful if these meetings were scheduled for Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays only in order to allow the most efficient use of staff.

I know the House joins me in offering our condolences to Representative Irene Pratt on the loss of her husband, Phil. Many of us got to know Phil as he frequently accompanied her to Concord. Irene's devotion to him was an inspiration to us all.

On a brighter note, we congratulate Representative Tara Reardon and her husband Jim Bouley on the birth of their son, Jackson Reardon Bouley on June 30.

While many members will be involved in interim study bills and working with our Senate colleagues on the numerous special study committees we established this year, I hope you are able to enjoy a well-deserved respite from the intensity of weekly legislative sessions.

Donna Sytek, Speaker

HOUSE DEADLINES

House Rule 64:

June 10, 1998

Last day to act on all bills, excluding those related to the Claremont decision.

June 16, 1998

Final day to sign-off all Committee of Conference Reports at 5:00 p.m., excluding those related to the Claremont decision.

June 18, 1998

Last day to act on Committee of Conference Reports, excluding those related to the Claremont decision.

June 22, 1998

All bills to the Governor, excluding those related to the Claremont decision.

After June 4, 1998, any bills or messages which are received from the Senate concerning the Claremont decision shall be subject to deadlines to be established at a future date.

September 9, 1998, Wednesday

First day for incumbents who are candidates for the House to file LSR's with complete information.

October 5, 1998, Monday

The 10-day sign-off deadline begins (Rule38 (b))

October 30, 1998, Friday

Final day to file, with the Clerk of the House, all 1998 interim study reports.

November 4, 1998, Wednesday

First day for new members to file LSR's with complete information.

November 6, 1998, Friday

Final day to file, with complete information, all bill drafting requests from 1998 interim study work.

LAID ON TABLE

HB 1577-FN-A, relative to campaign finance expenditure and contribution reform. (Pending question is the adoption of the committee report.)

COMMITTEE MEETINGS

TUESDAY, JULY 7

CRIMINAL JUSTICE AND PUBLIC SAFETY, Room 204, LOB

10:00 a.m. Subcommittee work session on ***HB 1499***, establishing a committee to study the circumstances and investigation of the deaths of Janet and Steven Dow; providing an exception from statutes of limitations for certain unlawful acts related to murders; relative to false reports to law enforcement officers; and nullifying the adoption of Steven Medeiros.

EDUCATION, Room 207, LOB

9:00 a.m. Subcommittee work session on ***HB 1230-FN-LOCAL***, establishing a teacher improvement

and evaluation program.

MUNICIPAL AND COUNTY GOVERNMENT, Room 301, LOB

- 9:00 a.m. Subcommittee work session on **HB 543**, relative to valuation of aeronautical facilities for purposes of payments in lieu of property taxes.
- 10:30 a.m. Subcommittee work session on **HB 1482**, providing a mechanism for optional fiscal year towns to use the official ballot voting procedures.
- 1:00 p.m. Subcommittee work session on **HB 641**, relative to property tax bills for land parcels having multiple owners.
- 2:00 p.m. Subcommittee work session on **HB 1567-LOCAL**, relative to local excavation permits for bedrock quarrying or crushing operations.

NEW HAMPSHIRE COMMISSION ON THE SMITHSONIAN FESTIVAL OF AMERICAN FOLKLIFE (SJR 20, Chapter 204, Laws of 1996), Room 307, LOB

3:00 p.m. Regular meeting.

MONDAY, JULY 13

BRAIN AND SPINAL CORD INJURY ADVISORY COUNCIL (RSA 137-K:2), Room 205, LOB

2:00 p.m. Public hearing.

TUESDAY, JULY 14

FINANCE - (DIVISION III), ROOM 210-211, LOB

10:00 a.m. Work session on **SB 409-FN**, relative to long-term care and extending the moratorium on new nursing home beds.

THURSDAY, JULY 16

ETHICS COMMITTEE (RSA 14-B:2), Room 304, LOB

9:00 a.m. Rescheduled regular meeting.

SCIENCE, TECHNOLOGY AND ENERGY, Room 304, LOB

10:00 a.m. Utilities subcommittee work session on **HB 1560-FN-A**, reestablishing the New Hampshire energy authority, making an appropriation therefor, and directing it to explore the acquisition of the transmission and distribution system of the Public Service Company of New Hampshire, **HB 1662-FN**, restructuring the nuclear decommissioning finance committee and the office of the consumer advocate and amending laws relative to atomic energy to reflect the policies of electric utility restructuring, **HJR 20**, finding that the contract requiring Public Service Company of New Hampshire to assume financial responsibility for a decision by Northeast Utilities to acquire additional nuclear generating capacity has the potential to raise PSNH rates and was executed in violation of the 1989 Rate Agreement between Northeast Utilities and the state of New Hampshire and in violation of state law and **SB 326**, relative to representation and costs in utility rate proceedings.

FRIDAY, JULY 17

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

9:00 a.m. Regular meeting.

MONDAY, JULY 20

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

9:30 a.m. Regular meeting.

THURSDAY, JULY 30

SCIENCE, TECHNOLOGY AND ENERGY, Room 304, LOB

10:00 a.m. Utilities subcommittee work session on *HB 1560-FN-A*, reestablishing the New Hampshire energy authority, making an appropriation therefor, and directing it to explore the acquisition of the transmission and distribution system of the Public Service Company of New Hampshire, *HB 1662-FN*, restructuring the nuclear decommissioning finance committee and the office of the consumer advocate and amending laws relative to atomic energy to reflect the policies of electric utility restructuring, *HJR 20*, finding that the contract requiring Public Service Company of New Hampshire to assume financial responsibility for a decision by Northeast Utilities to acquire additional nuclear generating capacity has the potential to raise PSNH rates and was executed in violation of the 1989 Rate Agreement between Northeast Utilities and the state of New Hampshire and in violation of state law and *SB 326*, relative to representation and costs in utility rate proceedings.

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 5

ENVIRONMENT AND AGRICULTURE, Room 303, LOB

10:00 a.m. Subcommittee work session on incinerator closures.

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

9:00 a.m. Regular business.

THURSDAY, AUGUST 13

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OFFICIAL NOTICES

When the House Clerk's Office is aware of House Members who are hospitalized or homebound by serious illness, we will publish a list of names and addresses so that their colleagues who so desire may send cards and greetings.

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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 social activities and political meetings or events. Publication should not be construed as support for either the events listed or the view espoused by the individual or organization sponsoring the event.

Starting in July, the monthly meeting of Manchester City Democrats will be held at the new headquarters at 27 Lowell Street (4th floor, elevator access) just around the corner from the Black Brimmer Restaurant. At the Monday, July 6 meeting (7:00 p.m.), Governor Jeanne Shaheen's campaign manager Bob Quinn will be the featured guest. Donations of spare chairs, office furniture and office supplies will be greatly appreciated.

Rep. Steve Vaillancourt

Main Street Republicans will be holding a meeting at 8:30 a.m. on Tuesday, July 7 at the Grist Mill Restaurant in Bow. Everyone is invited to attend.

Rep. Richard C. Leone

Saturday, July 11th is Legislative Day at the opening game of Wolf Pack Football, New Hampshire's home semi-pro team. Kick off is at 7:30 p.m. at Memorial High School in Manchester. Legislators and staff are invited.

Rep. Benjamin C. Baroody

The Dean of the House, Dan Healy on July 12 will celebrate his 90th birthday and his family is having a special celebration for him in Aberdeen, New Jersey where he is staying. Anyone wanting to wish him happy birthday can send a card or note in care of Ms. Ann Neville at 58 Aberdale Lane, Aberdeen, NJ, 07747. The phone number is 732-583-4130. I'm sure Dan would enjoy a card or a call.

Rep. Henry P. Sullivan

The Strafford County Democrats are holding their annual cook-out on Sunday, August 9 from 1:00 to 5:00 p.m. The event is being sponsored by the Barrington Democratic Committee at the home of Steve and Anne Whitney on France Road in Barrington. Tickets are \$5 per adult, \$3 for children and \$15 for family of 4. Candidates and families are welcome. Invited are Governor Shaheen and Congressman Patrick Kennedy. Please contact Barbara Morris at 749-6649 or Rep. Marlene DeChane at 335-0860.

Rep. Marlene DeChane

The Department of Transportation will hold the following meeting:

July 9 - Piermont Elementary School, NH Route 10, Piermont, 7:00 p.m. Public hearing (Commission) Piermont, NH Route 10 over Bean Brook.

July 15 - Rochester Community Center, off Wakefield Street, Rochester, 6:30 p.m. Dover-Rochester-Somersworth TATF meeting.

Rep. Gene G. Chandler, Chairman

Public Works and Highways

NOTICE

The 1998 hard-cover permanent House Journal soon will be sent for typesetting and printing. Orders have to be placed in the House Clerk's office by September 18. Distribution is expected to be in early January of 1999.

Upon request, House and Senate members, as well as heads of state agencies are each entitled to one copy at no cost.

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