

State of New Hampshire HOUSE RECORD

Second Year of the 156th Session of the General Court Calendar and Journal of the 2000 Session

Vol. 22 Concord N.H Friday, April 21, 2000 No. 34

Contains: Hearings, Work Sessions and Notices

HOUSE CALENDAR

MEMBERS OF THE HOUSE:

The House will meet on Thursday, May 4 at 10:00 a.m. There will be NQ House session on April 27.

To keep you and the public informed about the activities of the Judiciary Committee as it carries out the investigation directed by HR 50, we have added a new listing on the menu for the Legislature on *Webster*, the state's official website, at www.state.nh.us/gencourt. Just click on the items under *Judiciary Committee Investigation* for transcripts, reports, documents and news. Thanks to Stan Kelly and his staff at Information Systems, and Paula O'Regan, our court reporter, for their cooperation in making this data available.

There will be NQ Chairmen and Vice Chairmen's meeting on Tuesday, April 25.

Donna Sytek, Speaker

HOUSE DEADLINES

May 18, 2000, Thursday Last day to act on Senate bills

May 23, 2000, Tuesday Last day to form committees of conference

May 26, 2000, Friday Last day to sign off on Committee of Conference reports

May 31, 2000, Wednesday Last day to act on Committee of Conference reports

House Judiciary Committee Progress Report to the House

The Judiciary Committee met on Tuesday, April 19, at which time Attorney Steinfield introduced two members of the special counsel team.

An ambitious schedule for the progression of the investigation was outlined including the time lines for depositions, testimony of witnesses during open session before the committee, and time of interim and final reports.

The committee then was polled to gain the sense of the committee whether to go into a lawyer-client consultation in accordance with RSA 91-A:2, I(c). This session lasted approximately 3 hours to establish strategies for the continuation of the investigation in accordance with HR 50.

The committee will meet in open session to formally finalize its rules of procedure on Tuesday, April 25 at 10:00 a.m.

Rep. Henry P. Mock

Judiciary Chairman

LAID ON TABLE – 1999 session

CACR 12, relating to a 4-year term for the office of governor. Providing that beginning in the year 2002, the governor shall be elected every 4 years.

CACR 21, relating to gender neutral language in the constitution. Providing that all references to persons in the constitution shall be gender neutral.

HB 116-FN-A-L, establishing an alternative consumption tax as a source of funding for education and making an appropriation therefor.

HB 549-L, relative to the minimum vote required for bond issues by municipalities.

HB 550-L, relative to the date town reports must be made available in towns which have adopted the official ballot referenda form of meeting.

HB 612-FN, relative to compensation paid to jurors.

HB 695-FN-A, providing an exemption under the interest and dividends tax for taxpayers on a limited income.

HB 703-FN-A-L, establishing a regional youth center pilot program in the city of Nashua.

LAID ON TABLE – 2000 session

CACR 33, relating to meetings of the legislature. Providing that the legislature shall assemble biennially. (Pending question is interim study.)

HB 637-FN, establishing certain standards of accountability for health maintenance organizations and other entities providing health insurance through a managed care system. (Pending question is the adoption of the committee report – ought to pass with amendment.)

HB 1229, requiring the completion of a rate proceeding prior to legislative approval of a settlement agreement with PSNH. (Pending question is the adoption of the majority committee report – interim study.)

HB 1375, establishing financial assurance for guaranteed promise of customer repayment of rate reduction bonds. (Pending question is the adoption of the committee report – interim study.)

HB 1625, requiring the attorney general to initiate a declaratory judgment action concerning record title matters related to the Green Hills subdivision in the town of Raymond. (Pending question is the adoption of the committee report – interim study.)

HR 10, affirming revenue estimates for fiscal years 2000, and 2001.

HOUSE BILLS AMENDED BY THE SENATE

HB 75, changing the number required for a quorum on the commission for human rights.

(House Nonconcurrent; C-of-C 2/3/00)

HB 97, relative to the right to farm. (House Nonconcurrent; C-of-C 2/24/00)

HB 228, clarifying permissible political expenditures. (House Nonconcurrent; C-of-C 2/17/00)

HB 235-FN-A, increasing exemptions under the interest and dividends tax. (SJ 4/13/00)

HB 305-A, relative to a lease-purchase agreement between Cheshire county and the state for construction of a new district courthouse to be located in the town of Jaffrey. (House Concurred 4/13/00)

HB 422, relative to advertising by rent-to-own business. (House Concurred 2/3/00)

HB 449-FN, requiring boating safety education. (House Concurred 3/23/00)

HB 521-L, allowing municipalities that have adopted the municipal budget act to override the 10 percent limitation on exceeding appropriations recommended by the budget committee. (SJ 4/6/00)

HB 522, relative to the public's access to sex offender registry information. (SJ 4/13/00)

HB 553-FN-A, establishing a commission on the status of men. (House Nonconcurrent; C-of-C 2/17/00)

HB 640-FN, relative to grievance procedures of managed care organizations. (House Concurred 2/17/00)

HB 690-FN-L, relative to charter schools and open enrollment districts. (SJ 2/3/00)

HB 1105, ratifying article 9 of the 1999 Seabrook annual town meeting and the 1999 Epping annual town meeting. (House Concurred 2/10/00)

HB 1124-L, relative to local building codes. (SJ 4/6/00)

HB 1161, making technical changes to the New Hampshire Aeronautics Act and establishing a committee to study revisions to the state aeronautics laws. (House Concurred 4/13/00)

HB 1198, establishing a procedure for the 2001 voter checklist verification. (House Nonconcurrent; C-of-C 3/23/00)

HB 1200-FN, relative to the application of education property tax hardship relief to estate planning trusts and relative to eligibility for hardship relief. (House Nonconcurrent; C-of-C 3/23/00)

HB 1212, relative to extending the reporting date of the open adoption study committee. (House Nonconcurrent; C-of-C 4/20/00)

HB 1264-FN, relative to the unlawful use of theft detection shielding devices. (House Concurred 4/13/00)

HB 1287, relative to the membership of the water council. (House Concurred 3/23/00)

HB 1301, relative to regional appointments to the state committee on aging. (House Concurred 4/13/00)

HB 1374, extending the reporting date for the sex offender issues study committee. (House Concurred 3/29/00)

HB 1378, establishing a task force to conduct an ongoing study of the feasibility of re-establishing passenger rail service on the Eastern Line from Newburyport, Massachusetts to Kittery, Maine. (House Concurred 3/23/00)

HB 1409, establishing a committee to study the feasibility of reestablishing the Lawrence, Massachusetts to Manchester, New Hampshire rail service line and the Concord to Lebanon Northern passenger rail service line. (House Concurred 3/23/00)

HB 1413, relative to the rights of ownership of cemetery plots or burial spaces. (House Concurred 4/13/00)

HB 1435, establishing a committee to study the immediate and long-term impact of changing methodology of communications and information technology as it applies to the right-to-know law. (House Concurred 3/29/00)

HB 1455, relative to the authority of the fish and game department for the electronic issuance of licenses, permits, stamps, and tags. (House Concurred 3/23/00)

HB 1583, increasing the education requirement for estheticians and manicurists and relative to the board of barbering, cosmetology, and esthetics. (House Concurred 4/13/00)

HB 1588, relative to the authority of the department of transportation regarding rail safety inspections. (House Concurred 4/13/00)

HCR 21, urging the federal government to increase the pay to military personnel. (House Concurred 3/23/00)

HJR 6, encouraging the revitalization of the northern rail line from Concord to Lebanon. (House Concurred 2/3/00)

COMMITTEES OF CONFERENCE

HB 75, changing the number required for a quorum on the commission for human rights. (Reps. O'Neil, Mercer, Zolla and Murphy; Sens. Cohen, Larsen and Roberge)

HB 97, relative to the right to farm. (Reps. Babson, K. Marshall, Patten and Phinizy; Sens. Below, Wheeler and Krueger)

HB 228, clarifying permissible political expenditures. (Reps. Clegg, Horton, Letourneau and Clemons; Sens. Trombly, Eaton and McCarley)

HB 553-FN-A, establishing a commission on the status of men. (Reps. Sapareto, Zolla, Boyce and Burkush; Sens. Cohen, Larsen and Brown)

HB 1198, establishing a procedure for the 2001 voter checklist verification. (Reps. Clegg, Horton, Stritch and Buckley; Sens. Trombly, Disnard and Eaton)

HB 1200-FN, relative to the application of education property tax hardship relief to estate planning trusts and relative to eligibility for hardship relief. **SENATE AND HOUSE ADOPTED REPORT 4/20/00**

HB 1212, relative to extending the reporting date of the open adoption study committee. (Reps. Lyman, Gile, Arnold and Bickford)

SB 135-FN, relative to water supply land protection grants. (Sens. Russman, Johnson and Pignatelli; Reps. Royce, Whalley, Downing and Stone)

SB 143, relative to penalties for incest. **REPORT FILED**

SB 186-FN, relative to additional cost of living adjustments and increased minimum allowances for certain retired group II members, and relative to requiring spousal acknowledgement of a member's election of an optional retirement allowance. **HOUSE ADOPTED REPORT 4/20/00**

COMMITTEE HEARINGS

MONDAY, APRIL 24

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

9:00 a.m. Continued meeting.

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

9:00 a.m. Regular meeting.

RESOURCES, RECREATION AND DEVELOPMENT, Room 305, LOB

10:00 a.m. Subcommittee work session on ***SB 401-FN-A-L***, establishing the New Hampshire land and community heritage investment program and making an appropriation therefor.

TUESDAY, APRIL 25

ATECH SERVICES GENERAL OPERATIONS STUDY (SB 176, Chapter 3:2, Laws of 2000), Room 308, LOB

10:00 a.m. Organizational meeting.

CHILDREN AND FAMILY LAW, Room 207, LOB

10:00 a.m. Interim study full committee work session on ***HB 1547-FN***, relative to raising the age of minority for the purposes of juvenile delinquency proceedings from 17 to 18 years of age.

COMMERCE, Room 302, LOB

9:15 a.m. Subcommittee work session on ***SB 350***, adding business development to the law governing industrial development authorities.

9:30 a.m. Subcommittee work session on ***SB 351***, making certain changes in the laws relative to fraternal benefit societies and health service corporations.

10:00 a.m. Subcommittee work session on ***SB 363***, relative to the sale of malt beverages.

10:30 a.m. Subcommittee work session on ***SB 418***, relative to liquor liability insurance coverage.

1:30 p.m. Subcommittee work session on ***SB 375***, relative to motor vehicle dealerships.

CRIMINAL JUSTICE AND PUBLIC SAFETY, Room 204, LOB

10:00 a.m. Subcommittee work session on ***SB 444-FN***, relative to methadone maintenance treatment and ***SB 445-FN***, relative to methadone maintenance treatment.

ELECTION LAW, Room 308, LOB

11:00 a.m. Subcommittee work session on ***SB 303***, relative to campaign contributions by business organizations.

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENTS AND ADMINISTRATION, Room 202, LOB

1:00 p.m. Subcommittee work session on ***SB 226-FN***, relative to the real estate practice act and the powers and duties of the real estate commission and ***SB 326***, relative to the joint health council.

3:00 p.m. Subcommittee work session on ***SB 446***, relative to the integration of information technology at the state, county and municipal levels.

FINANCE, Rooms 210-211, LOB

9:30 a.m. ***SB 318-FN***, relative to proposed joint maintenance agreements.

10:00 a.m. ***SB 432-FN-A***, relative to state assistance for teachers applying for national board

certification.

10:45 a.m. ***SB 210-FN-L***, relative to payment by the state for certain court-ordered placements of special education students.

1:15 p.m. ***SB 397-FN-A-L***, making an appropriation from the education trust fund for public kindergarten programs and relative to the adequate education grant amount and property tax warrant for the town of Orange.

2:15 p.m. ***SB 399-FN-A***, making an appropriation to the fish and game department for the purposes of the wildlife damage control program.

Executive session on pending legislation to follow.

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

10:00 a.m. Subcommittee work session on ***SB 323***, relative to ambulatory surgical facilities in service areas of rural hospitals.

JUDICIARY, Rooms 206-208, LOB

10:00 a.m. Committee meeting pursuant to ***HR 50***, authorizing and directing the house judiciary committee to investigate whether cause exists for the impeachment of David A. Brock, chief justice, and/or any other justice of the New Hampshire supreme court.

LEGISLATIVE FACILITIES (RSA 17-E:2), Room 201, LOB

11:00 a.m. Regular meeting.

RESOURCES, RECREATION AND DEVELOPMENT, Room 305, LOB

10:00 a.m. Subcommittee work session on ***SB 401-FN-A-L***, establishing the New Hampshire land and community heritage investment program and making an appropriation therefor.

WILDLIFE AND MARINE RESOURCES, Room 307, LOB

9:00 a.m. Interim study subcommittee work session on ***HB 1152***, relative to the establishment of crossbow hunting seasons.

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 26

COMMERCE, Room 302, LOB

9:00 a.m. Subcommittee work session on ***SB 383***, requiring the department of health and human services and insurers to make prompt payments.

9:30 a.m. Subcommittee work session on ***SB 454***, relative to penalties for engaging in the business of retail installment sales of motor vehicles after failure to renew a retail seller's license.

10:00 a.m. ***SB 359***, establishing a committee to study the issues relative to manufactured housing parks in New Hampshire.

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

10:30 a.m. Subcommittee work session on ***SB 332***, relative to risk-based capital for health organizations.

11:00 a.m. Subcommittee work session on ***SB 334***, relative to credit unemployment insurance.

11:30 a.m. Subcommittee work session on ***SB 368***, relative to insurance fraud and ***SB 97***, relative to

charitable trusts which are institutional funds.

1:00 p.m. Subcommittee work session on ***SB 409-FN***, relative to health insurance coverage of qualified clinical trials.

2:00 p.m. Subcommittee work session on ***SB 425-FN***, relative to the private activity bond limit.

CRIMINAL JUSTICE AND PUBLIC SAFETY, Room 204, LOB

11:00 a.m. Continued public hearing on ***SB 436***, relative to permanent revocation of drivers' licenses for causing a fatality or serious bodily injury while driving intoxicated.

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 202, LOB

1:15 p.m. Executive session on pending legislation, if needed.

FINANCE, Rooms 210-211, LOB

9:30 a.m. ***SB 136-FN***, allowing certain state employees to take paid leave to participate in disaster relief service work.

10:15 a.m. ***SB 389-FN***, relative to benefit options for surviving spouses and designated beneficiaries of deceased members of the retirement system.

10:45 a.m. ***SB 415-FN-L***, relative to payment of group health insurance premiums for eligible retired members of the retirement system.

11:30 a.m. ***SB 448***, establishing a guardians ad litem board.

1:15 p.m. ***HB 1469***, establishing a committee to study the feasibility of making the division of children, youth, and families an independent state agency.

Executive session on pending legislation to follow.

RESOURCES, RECREATION AND DEVELOPMENT, Rooms 305-307, LOB

9:00 a.m. Subcommittee work session on ***SB 401-FN-A-L***, establishing the New Hampshire land and community heritage investment program and making an appropriation therefor, if needed.

9:45 a.m. Subcommittee work session on ***SB 330***, establishing a committee to study the impact of water withdrawals on instream flows.

10:00 a.m. ***SB 406-FN-L***, prohibiting the use of reformulated gasoline with watercraft on or in bodies of water that provide public water supplies.

11:00 a.m. ***SB 132***, requiring a review of public safety communications requirements regarding the summit of Mount Kearsarge, establishing an advisory committee regarding the review, and placing a moratorium until July 1, 2001 on new leases, use permits, or extensions of lease or permit terms for telecommunication facilities on the summit of Mount Kearsarge.

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

SCIENCE, TECHNOLOGY AND ENERGY, Room 304, LOB

10:00 a.m. Briefing by PUC staff on the PUC order concerning the PSNH proposed settlement.

Executive session on pending legislation to follow.

STATE FEDERAL RELATIONS AND VETERANS AFFAIRS, Room 306, LOB

11:00 a.m. **SCR 7**, urging the federal government to consider the impacts on New Hampshire and the smaller states of interstate waste legislation.

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

THURSDAY, APRIL 27

COMMERCE, Room 302, LOB

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

1:15 p.m. Subcommittee work session on **SB 310**, relative to New Hampshire state-chartered banks and interstate banking.

1:30 p.m. Subcommittee work session on **SB 353**, relative to sales of insurance by financial institutions.

2:00 p.m. Subcommittee work session on **SB 378**, relative to Article 9 of the Uniform Commercial Code.

CRIMINAL JUSTICE AND PUBLIC SAFETY, Room 204, LOB

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

FINANCE - (DIVISION I), Room 212, LOB

10:00 a.m. Work and executive session on the following bills:

SB 136-FN, allowing certain state employees to take paid leave to participate in disaster relief service work.

SB 389-FN, relative to benefit options for surviving spouses and designated beneficiaries of deceased members of the retirement system.

SB 415-FN-L, relative to payment of group health insurance premiums for eligible retired members of the retirement system.

SB 448, establishing a guardians ad litem board.

SB 399-FN-A, making an appropriation to the fish and game department for the purposes of the wildlife damage control program.

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

9:00 a.m. Work and executive session on the following bills:

SB 128, replacing the housing assistance fund trust fund with a homeless prevention fund, and making an appropriation therefor.

SB 422-FN, relative to the housing security guarantee loan program.

SB 428-FN-A, relative to the development of certain public health initiatives and making an appropriation therefor.

SB 449-FN, clarifying that employees in certain department of health and human services' positions are entitled to certain salaries and raises.

SB 206-FN-A-L, relative to distribution of tobacco settlement funds.

FRIDAY, APRIL 28

ADEQUATE EDUCATION AND EDUCATION FINANCING COMMISSION (RSA 198:49), Rooms 210-211, LOB

9:30 a.m. Regular meeting.

LABOR, INDUSTRIAL AND REHABILITATIVE SERVICES, Room 306, LOB

3:00 p.m. Interim study subcommittee work session ***HB 579-FN***, on relative to eligibility for unemployment benefits for certain persons commensurate with their attachment to the workforce.

MONDAY, MAY 1

ELECTRIC UTILITY RESTRUCTURING OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE (RSA 374-F:5), Room 304, LOB

10:00 a.m. Regular meeting.

LAND USE MANAGEMENT AND PROTECTION OF FARMLAND, RURAL CHARACTER AND ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY AND SPRAWL STUDY (HB 288, Chapter 23:3, Laws of 1999), Room 302, LOB

2:00 p.m. Regular meeting.

NEW HAMPSHIRE CONSERVATION NUMBER PLATE ADVISORY COMMITTEE, (RSA 261:97-d), Room 203, LOB

4:00 p.m. Meeting to discuss adding \$5 to the cost of the conservation plate.

SEED STERILIZATION TECHNOLOGY STUDY, (HB 291, Chapter 282:2, Laws of 1999), Room 303, LOB

1:00 p.m. Regular meeting.

WOMEN'S HEALTH CARE STUDY, (HB 214, Chapter 42:1, Laws of 1999), Room 302, LOB

11:30 a.m. Regular meeting.

TUESDAY, MAY 2

MUNICIPAL AND COUNTY GOVERNMENT, Room 301, LOB

10:00 a.m. Interim study full committee work session on ***HB 536***, authorizing municipalities to exempt from the local property tax personal property employed in the generation and production of electric power, ***HB 446-L***, subjecting certain land in the town of Newport to local land use regulations, ***HB 1389-L***, relative to the Nute High School and library trustees, ***HB 1590***, relative to prohibiting a zoning ordinance from a residential preexisting nonconforming property owner's ability to rebuild after a fire loss, ***HB 641-L***, clarifying the value of public utility property for property tax purposes and ***HB 696-FN-L***, relative to the taxation of land held by municipalities for water supply purposes.

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

WEDNESDAY, MAY 3

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

9:00 a.m. Regular business.

9:30 a.m. Audit: State of New Hampshire State Treasury Audit Report for the year ended June 30, 1999.

FRIDAY, MAY 5

WORKERS' COMPENSATION ADVISORY COUNCIL (RSA 281-A:62), Room 306, LOB

9:00 a.m. Regular meeting.

SATURDAY, MAY 6

WILDLIFE AND MARINE RESOURCES, NH Fish and Game Department, Region I Headquarters, Route 3, Lancaster, NH

9:00 a.m. Crossbow Demonstration.

10:00 a.m. Interim study subcommittee work session on ***HB 1152***, relative to the establishment of crossbow hunting seasons.

MONDAY, MAY 8

PERINATAL ALCOHOL TOBACCO AND OTHER DRUG USE TASK FORCE (RSA 132:19), Room 101, LOB

9:00 a.m. Regular meeting.

TUESDAY, MAY 9

COMMERCE, Room 302, LOB

10:00 a.m. Subcommittee work session on ***SB 316***, relative to "most favored nation" or "equally favored nation" provisions in insurance provider contracts.

11:00 a.m. Subcommittee work session on ***SB 393***, relative to single producer licensing.

ELECTION LAW, Room 308, LOB

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

ENVIRONMENT AND AGRICULTURE, Room 303, LOB

9:30 a.m. Trip to the University of New Hampshire.

WEDNESDAY, MAY 10

UPDATING NEW HAMPSHIRE LAWS RELATED TO FENCES STUDY, (HB 1154, Chapter 62:1, Laws of 1998), Room 301, LOB

1:00 p.m. Regular meeting.

FRIDAY, MAY 12

OSTEOPOROSIS ADVISORY COUNCIL (RSA 126-I:3), Room 205, LOB

9:00 a.m. Regular meeting.

SATURDAY, MAY 13

WILDLIFE AND MARINE RESOURCES, NH Fish and Game Headquarters, Hazen Drive, Concord

9:00 a.m. Crossbow Demonstration.

10:00 a.m. Interim study subcommittee work session on ***HB 1152***, relative to the establishment of crossbow hunting seasons.

MONDAY, MAY 15

BOARD OF MANUFACTURED HOUSING (RSA 205-A:25), Room 201, LOB

1:00 p.m. Regular meeting.

WELLNESS AND PRIMARY PREVENTION COUNCIL (RSA 126-M:3), Room 205, LOB

3:00 p.m. Regular meeting.

TUESDAY, MAY 16

ENVIRONMENT AND AGRICULTURE, Room 303, LOB

10:00 a.m. Presentation and informational meeting by the New Hampshire Coalition for Sustaining Agriculture on preserving rural character through agriculture.

FRIDAY, MAY 19

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

9:00 a.m. Regular meeting.

SATURDAY, MAY 20

WILDLIFE AND MARINE RESOURCES, Keene Parks and Recreation Department, Washington Street, Keene

9:00 a.m. Crossbow Demonstration.

10:00 a.m. Interim study subcommittee work session on ***HB 1152***, relative to the establishment of crossbow hunting seasons.

monday, may 22

DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITY WAITLIST FUND ALLOCATION OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE, (RSA 171-A:1-b), Room 205, LOB

10:00 a.m. Regular meeting.

OFFICIAL NOTICES

The hard-cover 1999 Permanent House Journals have been delivered. Representatives who last fall ordered copies may pick them up at the House Sergeant-at-Arms counter.

Also, all State Agencies and Private Sector firms/individuals who ordered '99 Journals have received them. Invoices soon will be issued to those Private Sector firms/individuals. If there are any questions please call Leo Callahan at 271-2548.

Leo J. Callahan

Assistant House Clerk

Pursuant to RSA 326-B:12, the Joint Health Council will meet at the NH Board of Nursing, Room 17, 78 Regional Drive, Building 2, Concord, on Monday, May 1 at 5:30 p.m.

Karen O. Wadsworth, Clerk of the House

Interested Legislators are invited to stop by the Cyber room on the 4th floor of the LOB for a demonstration of the new email system. Members will be able to sign up for an email account to receive some training on how to use the new system. Information Systems staff will be available Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday of the week of 4/10/00. We will be in the Cyber room between the hours of 10:00 a.m. and 1:00 p.m. Please call 271-2180 to arrange a more convenient time or for additional information.

Stan Kelly, Manager, Information Systems

New Hampshire Department of Transportation Commissioner, Leon Kenison, has issued his annual notification of spring load limits to commercial users of the state highway system. Once again, frost penetration of our state highway system has been serious. With the advent of warmer weather many roads will be subject to pavement breakup as the frost leaves the underlying base material. The maximum allowable gross vehicular weight on the posted road sections is 30,000 pounds gross weight, or the cumulative width in inches of all tires contacting the road surface multiplied by 300 pounds, whichever weight is less.

Rep. Edwin O. Smith, Chairman

Public Works and Highways Committee

REVISED AMENDED FISCAL NOTES

The following HBs have a revised or amended fiscal note: HBs 86, 239, 273, 305, 618, 1114, 1188, 1200, 1234, 1238, 1251, 1259, 1264, 1265, 1419, 1450, 1459, 1467, 1485, 1494, 1511, 1521, 1522, 1535, 1536, 1537, 1539, 1540, 1541, 1543, 1544, 1546, 1547, 1548, 1549, 1551, 1552, 1553, 1554, 1555, 1556, 1557, 1558, 1559, 1560, 1561, 1562, 1563, 1564, 1566, 1567, 1568, 1569, 1571, 1572, 1573, 1575, 1584, 1586, 1587, 1591, 1595, 1602, 1606, 1608, 1612, 1615, 1616, 1619, 1621 and 2000.

Leo J. Callahan, Assistant Clerk

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.

Attention Bookworms. The New Hampshire Order of Women Legislators (OWLS) have their "bring-a-book" and "buy-a-book" table in the basement of the LOB. Those funds are used for the OWL scholarship fund, so drop by and roost a while.

Rep. Donald B. White

Legislators are cordially invited to attend meetings of the Citizens for Inheritance Tax Equity (CITE). Meetings are held on the first Tuesday of each month at the Nashua Public Library at 7:00 p.m. Please join us for a discussion of the Legacies and Succession Tax, RSA 86.

Rep. Paul A. McGuirk

The Fresh Air Fund of NYC sponsors two week summer vacations for more that 10,000 low income children who are guests in many states from Maine to Virginia. If you are interested in having more information about this program or have room in your heart and home to host a child, please contact Rep. Beth Rodd at 938-2692.

Rep. Beth Rodd

The New Hampshire Order of Women Legislators (OWLS) will be having its First Annual Golf Tournament this summer at the Passaconway Country Club in Litchfield. For more information please contact Reps. Betsy McKinney or Janet Wall.

Reps. Betsy McKinney and Janet G. Wall

The Strafford County Republicans will meet the third Tuesday of each month at 7:00 p.m. at the Gateway Restaurant, Somersworth.

Rep. Robert E. McKinley

Members of the Wildlife and Marine Resources Committee will hold three Saturday public work sessions during the month of May on HB 1152, to expand the legitimate means of taking game with a crossbow, for all properly licensed sportsmen. Watch House Calendars for dates, times and locations of meetings.

Reps. Robert L'Heureux and Mary Gorman

An exhibit, "This is woman's hour " – The Life of Mary Baker Eddy, will also be on display in the museum April through June 2000. The exhibit tells the story of a woman who rose above personal battles with illness and 19th century society's strictures on womanhood to become a well-recognized author, healer, teacher and publisher, founding The Christian Science Monitor at age 87.

Rep. Donnalee Lozeau

The NH members of the National Association of Sportsmen Legislators will meet on Wednesday, April 26 at noon at the Siam Orchid.

Reps. Lawrence J. Guay and Carolyn A. Virtue

Pictures will be taken of lady legislators for the NH Women Legislators Millenium book. You are invited to have pictures taken, on April 27th from 8:00 a.m. to 9:30 a.m. in Room 308, LOB.

Rep. Betsy McKinney

The HB 258, Chapter 72, Laws of 1999 established the first Sunday after Easter as Gold Star Mother’s Day recognizing and honoring mothers who lost sons or daughters while on duty in the armed forces. Sunday, April 30 will be this year’s date.

Rep. Baldwin Domingo

New Hampshire Head Start and Early Head Start Programs will host a legislative reception to honor staff and families of Head Start during its 35th year celebration. For the last 35 years, by creating quality and settings and programs, Head Start has improved the lives of New Hampshire families and young children. Your presence will honor and support their successes. The Breakfast Reception will be held May 2 from 8:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m. at the New Hampshire Historical Society, The Tuck Library, 30 Park Street, Concord.

Rep. Mary Stuart Gile

The Merrimack County Republican Committee is holding a forum for Republican Gubernatorial Candidates on May 3 from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. The forum is being held at the Cat ‘n Fiddle Restaurant, Manchester Street, Concord. Hot and cold snacks will be served. We have commitments from our four candidates: Sen. James Squires, Honorable Jeff Howard, Honorable Gordon Humphrey and Fred Bramante. Tickets are \$15 per person. Please see Rep. Michael Whalley for tickets.

Rep. Michael D. Whalley

American Legislative Exchange Council (ALEC) members will meet on Thursday, May 4 at the noon break in Room 306, LOB. At this meeting we will share the agenda of our upcoming task force meetings with other ALEC members and private sector attendees.

Rep. Gary L. Daniels

The Most Reverend John B. McCormack, Bishop of Manchester, cordially invites all associated with the study and administration of justice to join him for the celebration of the Red Mass on Thursday, May 4, at 6 p.m. at Saint Joseph Cathedral, corner of Lowell and Pine Streets in Manchester. This invitation is ecumenical and interreligious in nature and all are invited to attend. A reception will follow at the offices of Sheehan, Phinney, Bass & Green.

Donna Sytek, Speaker

The House Republican Alliance will meet at the Upham Walker House (Park Street across from the State House) at 8:30 a.m. on the following Thursdays: May 4 and May 18. Refreshments will be served.

Rep. Paul M. Mirski

The American Diabetes Association will be holding its annual "Tour De Cure" bike ride across the Seacoast on Sunday, May 7th to raise funds to fight this terrible disease. Riders can chose a 25, 50, 70 or 100 mile ride. If you are interested in riding or would like to pledge your support, please contact Rep. Marc Pappas at 666-4663 or call Mary Beth at the American Diabetes Association at 627-9579.

Rep. Marc P. Pappas

Executive Departments and Administration Committee Reunion: The committee is planning its annual reunion on Wednesday, May 10th at 11:30 a.m. at the Cat n’ Fiddle Restaurant, Manchester Street, Concord. Current or former members of the committee should note that if they have lost their invitations or need a new one, they should drop by Room 202, LOB as soon as possible.

Rep. Howard C. Dickinson

The Legislative Tourism Caucus will hold a meeting at the Eagles Nest Restaurant (directly across from the State House) from 3:30 to 5:30 p.m. on Wednesday, May 10th . Wine and cheese will be served courtesy of a generous sponsor and the New Hampshire Travel Council and the New Hampshire Lodging and Restaurant Association. Topic of this meeting will be "Transportation and Tourism". Speakers will be J. Brian O'Neill, Assistant Director, Manchester Airport and Carl Lindblade, Executive Director, Flying Yankee Restoration Group, Inc.

Reps. Stephen G. Avery and Martha Fuller Clark

A "Political Forum" featuring the Republican candidates for Governor will be sponsored by the Manchester Republican Committee. The panelists are John Toole from the Manchester Union Leader and Scott Spradling from WMUR-TV. Mayor Ray Wiezorek will be Moderator. The event will take place at the Center of New Hampshire on May 19th starting at 6:30 p.m. with dinner at 7:00 p.m. Tickets are \$50 each or \$500 for a table of ten. For more information call Hon. Bobbi Arnold, 669-4814, Rep. Marc Pappas, 669-6488 or Rep. Winston McCarty, 668-4263.

Rep. Winston H. McCarty

The Department of Transportation will hold the following meetings:

- April 26 – Stratford Town Hall, Route 3, Stratford, 7:00 p.m. Public hearing (Commission) Stratford, US Route 3 near Hollow Road.
- May 1 – Wolfeboro Public Library, PO Box 710, 259 South Main Street, Wolfeboro, 7:00 p.m. Public hearing (Commission), Wolfeboro, NH Route 28/NH Route 109 (Center Street) replace bridge over Smith River.
- May 2 – Grafton Fire Station, US Route 4, Grafton, 7:00 p.m. Combined public/officials meeting, Grafton, Sargent Hill Road over Smith River.
- Mat 4 – Londonderry Town Office, Nashua Road, Londonderry, 6:00 p.m. Advisory Task Force Meeting, Salem-Manchester, I-93 widening.
- May 9 – NHDOT, 1 Hazen Drive, Room 103, Concord, 11:00 a.m. Commission meeting, Plaistow, Kingston Road Bridge over B&M RR.
- May 9 – NHDOT, 1 Hazen Drive, Room 103, Concord, noon. Commission meeting, Plaistow-Atkinson, NH Route 121 bridge over B&M RR and Little River.
- May 25 – Center of NH, Manchester, 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Second Annual Bike/Pedestrian Conference.

Rep. Edwin O. Smith, Chairman

Public Works and Highways

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 **April 2000**.

These listings will replace individual notifications in an effort to reduce paper usage and to ensure all members will be notified in a timely manner. **Our schedule is tightly booked for the remainder of the school year. Please contact the Visitors’ Center concerning school tour booking information.** Thank you for your continued participation with your School Visitation Program.

Kenneth Leidner, Director

DATE	TIME	GROUP	CLASS/Size
April 24	9:30	Granite State Ambassadors	Adults/25
April 24	11:00&12:30	John Fuller Elem.-No.Conway	4/70
April 25	9:30&11:00	Ray School-Hanover	4/80
April 25	1:00	P.E.O.	Adults/15

April 26	9:30&11:00	Hanover St. Elem-Lebanon	4/90
April 26	12:30	Seminary Hill Elem.-W.Lebanon	4/60
April 27	9:30	Groveton Elem.-Gorham	4/40
April 27	11:00	Lisbon Regional	4/31
April 27	2:00	NH Nurses Assoc.	Adults/40
April 28	10:00	Cub Scouts Troop 68	10
April 28	11:00	Stark Village School	4/20
April 28	12:30	Lancaster School	4/45