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HOUSE CALENDAR

NOTICE

Members of the House:

The House will meet in session at 10:00 a.m. Thursday, April 25 and Thursday, May 2. The House will deal with gubernatorial vetoes on Wednesday, May 22.

As we near the end of the 2002 Session I hope you will all join me in taking an opportunity to thank the staff who help run the House so efficiently. Though some tasks are done more visibly than others are, each staff member is an important part of the overall process. Thanks to those that keep us and our facility secure and health conscious; track our actions; compile information; research the issues; draft legislation and correspondence; rearrange the furniture and carry the water; answer the phones and deliver messages; schedule singers; prepare declarations; organize meetings; distribute information; greet our guests and visitors; calculate and prepare reimbursement payments; coordinate benefits for members; keep us connected to and part of the world wide web; and all the other necessary tasks that go along with assisting the largest legislature in the country!

Gene G. Chandler, Speaker

For those interested, there is an information packet available for review in the Speaker's Office on the FPL Group, buyers of a majority interest in the Seabrook Nuclear Generating Station.

Gene G. Chandler, Speaker

NOTICE

There will be a Republican Caucus on Thursday, April 25 at 9:00 a.m. in Representatives Hall.

Rep. David M. Scanlan, Majority Leader

NOTICE

There will be a Democratic Caucus on Thursday, April 25 at 9:00 a.m. in Rooms 305-307 of the Legislative Office Building.

Rep. Peter H. Burling, Democratic Leader

HOUSE DEADLINES

Thursday, January 24, 2002	Last day to report retained bills and supplemental House bills being referred to a second committee.
Thursday, January 31, 2002	Last day to act on retained bills and supplemental House bills being referred to a second committee.
Thursday, February 21, 2002	Last day to report all remaining retained bills and supplemental House bills.
Thursday, March 7, 2002	CROSSOVER. Last day to act on all remaining retained bills and supplemental House bills.
Thursday, March 21, 2002	Last day to introduce Senate bills.
Thursday, April 18, 2002	Last day to act on Senate bills.
Thursday, April 25, 2002	Last day to form committees of conference.
Friday, May 3, 2002	Last day to act on committee of conference reports.

proposed amendment to house rules

Amendment to House Rule 64

Proposed by the Rules Committee

Amend House Rule 64 by inserting after the Friday, May 3, 2002 deadline the following:

Monday, September 16, 2002 First day for incumbents running for re-election to file LSR’s with complete information.

Friday, October 4, 2002 Last day for incumbents running for re-election to file LSR’s with complete information.

Friday, November 1, 2002 Last day to file 2002 Interim Study reports.

Wednesday, November 13, 2002
First day for all Representatives-elect to file LSR's with complete information. 15-day sign-off period begins.

Friday, December 13, 2002, 3:00 p.m. Last day to file LSR's with complete information.

Friday, January 17, 2003, 12:00 p.m. Last day to sign-off on all House bills, including redraft requests.

Thursday, January 30, 2003 Last day to introduce all House bills.

thursday, april 25, 2002

regular calendar

FINANCE

SB 352, establishing a committee to study alternative regional public school programs for children who are at-risk. **OUGHT TO PASS WITH AMENDMENT**

Rep. for : This bill as amended does five things:

It establishes a committee to study regional schools for at-risk children, which was the purpose of the original bill.

It creates an optional school building aid grant formula which targets more construction aid to needy towns based on median family income and equalized valuation per pupil, but does not decrease the amount of aid that any district would receive under the current distribution formula. The new optional formula takes effect after April 1, 2006, the date by which all municipalities must have certified property reassessments. This alternative building aid program is estimated to cost the general fund \$150,000 in its first year (FY 2007), \$300,000 the next year, \$450,000 the third year and so on, assuming the program does not cause school districts to change their construction plans.

It establishes maximum per square foot construction costs and maximum space standards for new buildings and additions (but not for renovations) effective July 1, 2003. The adoption of such standards was recommended by the September 2001 LBA school construction aid performance audit. These standards should decrease general fund expenditures for building aid by a small but indeterminable amount.

It authorizes high school vo-tech programs which enter into a lease agreement for permanent space to receive school building aid grants under certain circumstances. This could have a small but indeterminable impact on general fund expenditures.

It establishes an early learning and literacy program that, as HB 757, has already passed the House Education Committee, the House Finance Committee and the full House with very strong affirmative votes. Since the Senate has substantially modified HB 757, the committees believe the House should re-state its strong support for its original position. **Vote** .

Amendment (3616h) to SB 352

Proposed by the Committee on Finance

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

AN ACT establishing a committee to study alternative regional public school programs for children who are at-risk, relative to the formula for distributing school building aid grants, permitting high school vocational technical education programs which lease space to be eligible for school building aid grants, and establishing an early literacy and reading improvement program, and making an appropriation therefor.

Amend RSA 198:15-u, I as inserted by section 8 of the bill by replacing it with the following:

I. "Median family income" means that income for each municipality using the most recent data available from the United States Bureau of the Census.

Amend RSA 198:15-v, II and III as inserted by section 8 of the bill by replacing them with the following:

II.(a) The amount of the annual grant in this subdivision shall be a sum equal to a percentage of the amount of the annual payment of principal on all outstanding borrowings of the school district, city, cooperative school district, joint maintenance agreement, or receiving district, for all approved costs of construction or purchase of school buildings and school administrative unit facilities, for which loans are approved after April 1, 2006 according to the following table:

Building Aid Factor Single District Preexisting District in a Cooperative School District, A.R.E.A. School, or

Joint Maintenance Agreement

0-59 60 percent 60 percent

60-69 55 percent 60 percent

70-89 45 percent 55 percent

90-114 40 percent 50 percent

115 or greater 30 percent 40 percent

(b) The percentage once determined for a particular borrowing shall not thereafter be subject to change.

III. A cooperative school district, receiving district operating an A.R.E.A. school, or joint maintenance agreement grant amount shall be determined by calculating the percentage of the average daily membership in residence represented by each municipality which has entered into the agreement and multiplying this percentage by each municipality's percentage of annual building aid eligibility under paragraph II of this section. This product shall be multiplied by the projected cost of the building project. The sum of the resulting products shall be the annual building aid grant for the cooperative school district, A.R.E.A. school, or joint maintenance agreement.

Amend the bill by replacing all after section 8 with the following:

9 School Building Aid; Amount of Annual Grant. Amend RSA 198:15-b, IV(c) to read as follows:

(c) Planning, construction, or both, of additions to existing buildings ~~[to provide additional pupil capacity]~~.

10 New Paragraph; School Building Aid; Cost and Size Standards. Amend RSA 198:15-b by inserting after paragraph VI the following new paragraph;

VII. In this paragraph, "new construction" means additional square footage but shall not mean the renovation of school buildings or school administrative unit facilities. The provisions of this paragraph shall apply to any school building aid grants made pursuant to RSA 198:15-a through RSA 198:15-w.

(a) The department of education shall issue annually maximum eligible cost standards for the construction of new school buildings or school administrative unit facilities, less site acquisition costs, qualifying for school building aid. These standards shall take into account the type, size, and location of the school or school administrative unit facility and shall be based on an appropriate construction cost index developed or adopted by the department which shall reflect cost differences in the several regions of the state. Maximum cost standards shall be computed and published annually and expressed as a maximum cost per square foot.

(b) Maximum size standards for new construction shall be as follows:

(1) Maximum gross square footage per pupil:

Elementary school 120

Middle or junior high school 140

Senior high school 160

(2) Maximum usable site size for new schools:

Elementary School 20 acres plus 1 acre for each 100 pupils

Middle or junior high school 25 acres plus 1 acre for each 100 pupils

Senior high school 30 acres plus 1 acre for each 100 pupils

(c) For the purpose of calculating the total school building aid grants made under RSA 198:15-a through RSA 198:15-w, the final approved cost for school construction or school project, shall not exceed the cost that would result if the project conformed to the maximum cost and size standards. The provisions of this section shall not preclude an eligible applicant from exceeding the maximum standards provided, however, the cost of the portion of the facilities which exceed the maximum standards shall not be eligible for school building aid. The maximum cost and size standards in effect at the time general contract work begins shall be used for the purposes of determining school building aid.

(d) The commissioner of the department of education shall have the authority to waive eligible cost and size standards for new construction for good reason shown.

11 School Building Aid; High School Vocational Technical Education Programs. Amend RSA 198:15-a to read as follows:

198:15-a Annual Grant for the Payment of Debt Service for School Construction. To aid local school districts in meeting the costs of the payment of debt for school buildings and educational administration buildings, including office facilities for school administrative units, ***and to meet the costs of leasing permanent space in a building or buildings which are used for the operation of a high school vocational technical education program*** the state board of education shall, from funds appropriated by the general court to carry out the provisions of this subdivision, pay annually to the school districts of the state, sums in accordance with the provisions of this subdivision.

12 New Section; School Building Aid; Grants for High School Vocational Technical Education Programs. Amend RSA 198 by inserting after section 15-h the following new section:

198:15-i Annual Grant for Leased Space.

I. The amount of the annual grant to any school district duly organized, any city maintaining a school department within its corporate organization, any cooperative school district as defined in RSA 195:1, or any receiving district operating an area school as defined in RSA 195-A:1, shall be a sum equal to 30 percent of the amount of the annual payment of principal on all outstanding borrowings of the school district, city, cooperative school district, joint maintenance agreement, or receiving district, heretofore or hereafter incurred, for the cost of leasing permanent space in a building or buildings located outside of the school district or school administrative unit which is used for the operation of a high school vocational technical education program, to the extent approved by the state board of education, provided that the amount of the annual grant in the case of a cooperative school district, joint maintenance agreement, or a receiving district operating an area school, shall be 40 percent plus 5 percent for each pre-existing district in excess of 2 and each sending district, in excess of one, and provided further that no cooperative school district, joint maintenance agreement, or receiving district operating an area school, shall receive an annual grant in excess of 55 percent. Such lease agreements shall be eligible for grants under this section, provided all of the following conditions apply:

(a) A school district, city, cooperative school district, joint maintenance agreement, or receiving district operating an area school as defined in RSA 195-A:1, which receives grants under this section shall remain eligible to apply for, receive, and expend moneys from other state or federal sources made available for the purpose of purchasing new equipment, materials, or supplies necessary for the operation of the program. Moneys received from such other state or federal sources shall not be used to make permanent upgrades or renovations to the leased space.

(b) A lease agreement for permanent space shall be adopted in the same manner as required by law for the passage of construction bonds in the school district, city, cooperative school district, joint maintenance agreement, or receiving district

operating an area school as defined in RSA 195-A:1.

(c) An initial lease agreement for a term of 10 years or less shall be eligible to receive grants under this section. Upon renewal, a lease agreement may remain eligible to receive grants, provided the commissioner of the department of education determines that the lease agreement represents an efficient use of state and local resources.

(d) In any fiscal year where the state pays a pro rata share of school building aid grants, the state shall pay the same pro rata share for lease agreements approved under this section.

II. Lease agreements for the use of portable or modular classroom space shall not be eligible for grants.

III. A school district, city, cooperative school district, joint maintenance agreement, or receiving district operating an area school as defined in RSA 195-A:1, shall submit details of the lease arrangement, including a copy of the proposed lease agreement, in writing to the state board of education on such forms as the state board may prescribe. Grant applications for leased space shall be submitted before January 1 of each year in order to be eligible for grants in the fiscal year following the year of submittal. The state board of education shall, no later than August 1, 2002, adopt rules pursuant to RSA 541-A, relative to procedures for grant applications for leased space.

13 Department of Education; School Building Aid Information. No later than January 1, 2003, the commissioner of the department of education shall provide to the general court and the governor, information from the most recent 5 years detailing the total square footage of school construction projects for which school building aid grants were disbursed categorized by existing building size, size of the addition, new building size, and in each case the type of school and number of pupils served.

14 New Chapter; Early Literacy and Reading Improvement. Amend RSA by inserting after chapter 193-F the following new chapter:

CHAPTER 193-G

EARLY LITERACY AND READING IMPROVEMENT

193-G:1 Purpose. The general court finds that in order to implement New Hampshire's policy of providing all pupils with the opportunity to acquire an adequate public elementary and secondary education, it is essential that by the end of grade 3 virtually every child is reading independently at grade level. Therefore, the general court enacts a program of professional development and support for those who impact the child's reading skill: parents and early child care providers who prepare young children for reading, and primary school teachers.

193-G:2 Definitions. In this chapter:

I. "Commissioner" means the commissioner of the department of education.

II. "Department" means the department of education.

III. "State board" means the state board of education.

IV. "Primary school" means a school that includes grades K-3 or any grouping thereof.

V. "Pre-school children" means children through age 5 that are not enrolled in a primary school.

VI. "Early child care providers" means individuals that are paid to provide care and education to children through age 5 that are not enrolled in a primary school.

VII. "Early childhood specialist" means an experienced teacher who, by virtue of specialized training, appropriate experience, and demonstrated success, has the knowledge and skills necessary to provide early learning and reading assistance to other individuals.

VIII. "Primary caregivers" means parents, guardians, or others with primary responsibility for the child.

193-G:3 Comprehensive Early Literacy and Reading Improvement Program; Policy. It shall be the policy of this state to provide outcome-proven programs of support and education to primary caregivers, early child care providers, and primary school teachers and administrators that shape the language and literacy development of children through a comprehensive, coordinated, early literacy and reading improvement program which shall:

I. Provide primary caregivers with an outcome-proven program of information and support including the key elements of the young child's developing early literacy knowledge and skills.

II. Provide to early childhood providers:

(a) An outcome-proven program of instruction and support in the developing literacy of pre-school children delivered by early childhood specialists.

(b) Scholarships to participate in college credit courses in the development of early literacy in pre-school children.

III. Provide primary school teachers and administrators with structured, outcome-proven, school-wide professional development in reading instruction through the use of intensive summer institutes, regional meetings, and reading specialists who will provide follow-up activities and continuous technical assistance during the school year. Participating teachers will receive training and materials to implement baseline and checkpoint reading assessments on an individual basis in grades 1 and 2.

IV. Involve institutions of higher education in partnerships to:

(a) Better prepare new teachers to utilize outcome-proven early literacy knowledge and skills and deliver outcome-proven reading instruction.

(b) Coordinate opportunities for local school districts, institutions of higher education, early child care providers, and primary caregivers to work together to deliver high-quality, outcome-proven reading instruction to primary school children as well as provide research-based support for the development of early literacy in preschool children.

193-G:4 Early Literacy and Reading Improvement Program Established.

I. There is hereby established an early literacy and reading improvement program in the department of education. This program shall provide education and support to primary caregivers of young children, early child care providers and primary school teachers and administrators in developmentally appropriate literacy instruction. Beginning July 1, 2003, approximately equal parts of any funds appropriated shall be used to support the provisions of RSA 193-G:3, I-III.

II. The program shall design and implement a structured observation program to determine the extent to which pupils at earlier ages are making progress toward reading at grade level by the end of grade 3; determine if pupils at the end of grade 3 are reading at grade level by implementing an assessment instrument developed by the department and approved by the state board of education; and provide early literacy and reading improvement assistance, including grants, to local school districts. The program shall also develop, provide, and evaluate outcome-proven programs and courses established in RSA 193-G:3, I-III, and shall provide technical assistance and professional development activities through grants, contracts with consultants, and the employment of individuals to fill authorized, program-related positions.

III. For the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2003, and each fiscal year thereafter, grants to local school districts shall be used to address the areas specified in RSA 193-G:3, as well as other demonstrated needs related directly to early literacy and the improvement of reading. The administration of the early literacy and reading improvement grant program involves the following:

(a) Establishing forms and procedures for districts to use for the development and submission of early literacy and reading improvement grant requests, including:

(1) A detailed plan and budget, with the opportunity to request up to 3 years of financial assistance for both primary school professional development and preschool or caregiver components; and the further opportunity to apply for additional assistance based on demonstrated need.

(2) An assurance that grant funds will be used only to supplement and not supplant on-going local efforts.

(3) A description, if applicable, of how grant activities were planned in consultation with, and will be implemented in coordination with the goals of the program, institutions of higher education, early child care providers, and primary caregivers.

(4) A delineation of the geographic area to be served by the project.

(b) Providing assistance to districts in the development of grant requests.

(c) Establishing an equitable grant review process that:

- (1) Includes an evaluation of each proposal's adequacy, educational appropriateness, and cost effectiveness, and the extent to which additional revenues are required to implement the proposed plan and activities.
- (2) Gives priority to districts with lower-performing schools in reading that have satisfactorily addressed the review criteria in subparagraph (1) and are proposing reasonable efforts to address early literacy needs and/or improve reading performance.
- (d) Reviewing grant requests with recommendations for approval, including level of funding and, to the extent possible, balanced geographic distribution.
- (e) Distributing grant payments to school districts in accordance with an established payment schedule specified in the district's grant approval notification.
- (f) Monitoring the implementation of funded plans and activities.
- (g) Evaluating the educational impact of the programs established in RSA 193-G:3, I-III on:

- (1) Parent and early childhood provider understanding of child development concepts.
- (2) Adult-child interactions in early childhood programs, as well as the phonological awareness, development of vocabulary, access to books and appropriate reading and writing opportunities, and understanding of print concepts of children in early childhood programs.
- (3) Reading skill and comprehension in primary school students.

193-G:5 Rulemaking. The state board shall, pursuant to RSA 541-A, and not later than July 1, 2004, adopt rules relative to the administration of the early literacy and reading improvement program established in RSA 193-G:3 and RSA 193-G:4.

193-G:6 Early Learning Oversight Committee Established.

I. An early learning oversight committee shall be established and shall consist of the following members:

- (a) Three members of the house of representatives, appointed by the speaker of the house.
- (b) Three members of the senate, appointed by the senate president.
- (c) Three members of the public appointed by the governor, 2 of whom shall serve a 2-year term, and one of whom shall serve a 3-year term.
- (d) Two members of the public, appointed by the speaker of the house, one of whom shall serve a 3-year term and one of whom shall serve a 2-year term.
- (e) Two members of the public, appointed by the senate president, one of whom shall serve a 3-year term and one of whom shall serve a 2-year term.

II. Legislative members of the committee shall serve a term of office coterminous with their membership in the general court.

III. Legislative members of the committee shall receive mileage at the legislative rate while attending to the duties of the commission.

193-G:7 Duties.

I. The duties of the early learning oversight committee shall be to:

- (a) Examine administrative models in place in New Hampshire and in other states to determine the most effective administrative structure and oversight to assure the effective implementation of the early literacy and reading programs funded in this act.
- (b) Determine the most effective administrative relationship between the department of education, the department of health and human services and other providers of early literacy and reading programs to assure that the services provided interact in a manner which promotes efficiency and maximizes benefits to children.
- (c) Review the development and implementation of the program to ensure it is in accordance with legislative policy.

Implementation of the program shall be consistent with the committee’s determinations in subparagraphs (a) and (b).

(d) Oversee the outcome-proven early literacy and reading improvement programs established in RSA 193-G:3, I-III, including the impact of each program on the improvement of reading skills and comprehension of students in low-performing schools.

(e) Oversee the effect of each early literacy and reading improvement program established in RSA 193-G:3, I-III on the improvement of reading skill and comprehension of students in low-performing schools and early literacy and language skills of children in child care settings in the region of the schools.

II. The department of education shall provide administrative oversight and support to the committee.

193-G:8 Report. The committee shall submit a report of its findings and any recommendations for proposed legislation to the speaker of the house of representatives, the senate president, the state library, and the governor on or before November 1 of each year.

15 Appropriation; Positions Established.

I. The sum of \$485,349 for the biennium ending June 30, 2003 is hereby appropriated to the department of education to be used for the purposes set forth in this section. The governor is authorized to draw a warrant for said sum out of any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated.

II. The department of education is hereby authorized to establish one program administrator position at labor grade 28, one education consultant position at labor grade 27, and one program assistant position, at labor grade 12 from funds appropriated in this act.

III. Funds appropriated in this section shall be used for the salary, benefits, equipment, and current expenses resulting from the new positions established in this act, to develop and implement the end of grade 3 reading assessment required in RSA 193-G:4, II, and to implement the early literacy and reading improvement program as set forth in RSA 193-G:4.

16 Effective Date.

I. Section 10 of this act shall take effect July 1, 2003.

II. The remainder of this act shall take effect upon its passage.

2002-3616h

AMENDED ANALYSIS

This bill:

I. Establishes a committee to study alternative regional public school programs for children who are at-risk.

II. Creates an optional school building aid grant formula which shall be available to school districts beginning in the 2003-2004 school year.

III. Establishes maximum cost and maximum size standards for the purpose of construction or purchase of school buildings or school administrative units.

IV. Authorizes high school vocational technical education programs which enter into a lease agreement for permanent space to receive school building aid grants under certain circumstances.

V. Establishes an early literacy and reading improvement program and makes an appropriation of \$485,349 for the biennium ending June 30, 2003.

LAID ON TABLE

CACR 7, relating to the state's responsibility to provide to all citizens the opportunity for a public education. Providing that the general court shall have the exclusive authority to determine the content, extent, and funding of a public education and that the

state may fulfill its responsibility to provide to all citizens the opportunity for a public education. (Pending question is the adoption of the majority committee amendment.)

HB 730, establishing a committee to study the transfer of the Goffstown district court to a new location. (Pending question is adoption of the committee report of Ought to Pass with Amendment.)

HOUSE BILLS AMENDED BY THE SENATE

CACR 5, relating to the rulemaking authority of the supreme court. Providing that supreme court may adopt rules that have the force and effect of law, and that the general court may regulate these matters by statute and may accept or reject any rule adopted by the supreme court, and that in the event of a conflict between a statute and a rule, the statute, if otherwise valid, shall supersede the rule. (House Concurred 4/17/02)

HCR 28, a resolution urging increased federal funding for quality breast cancer research.(House Nonconcurrent; C-of-C 4/17/02)

HB 134, permitting challenges to judges. (House Nonconcurrent; C-of-C 4/4/02)

HB 141-FN, relative to regulation of junk yards. (House Concurred 3/21/02)

HB 180-FN, relative to criminal neglect of elderly, disabled, or impaired adults. (House Nonconcurrent; C-of-C 3/21/02)

HB 209-FN, relative to original and youth operators’ licenses. (House Concurred 4/17/02)

HB 266, establishing a committee to study recodification of the election laws. (House Concurred 3/21/02)

HB 295-FN, relative to medicaid recoveries from third party settlements. (House Concurred 4/17/02)

HB 380, apportioning county commissioner districts. (House Concurred 4/17/02)

HB 439-FN-A, establishing a position of septage coordinator and making an appropriation therefor. (House Nonconcurrent; C-of-C 4/17/02)

HB 462-FN, requiring state regulatory boards, commissions, advisory boards, advisory committees, and authorities to develop an orientation manual for new members. (House Concurred 4/4/02)

HB 463-FN, relative to protective services to adults. (House Concurred 3/21/02)

HB 498, relative to standards for records filed with a registry of deeds. (House Concurred 3/21/02)

HB 522-L, establishing discretionary preservation easements for preserving historic agricultural structures. (House Concurred 4/17/02)

HB 712-FN, relative to the coordination of state, regional, and local planning efforts. (House Concurred 4/17/02)

HB 1106, repealing the water pollution control revolving loan fund advisory committee, the local government advisory committee, the New Hampshire industrial heritage commission, and the environmental research advisory committee. (House Nonconcurrent; C-of-C 4/17/02)

HB 1109, establishing a commission to study problems related to the delivery of local assistance. (House Concurred 4/17/02)

HB 1121, relative to capital improvement committees. (House Concurred 4/17/02)

HB 1131, establishing a committee to study increasing the number of physicians who are New Hampshire residents. (House Concurred 3/21/02)

HB 1135, establishing a study committee to reevaluate the health benefits and risks from fluoridation of water in New Hampshire. (House Concurred 4/17/02)

HB 1148, naming the state office complex on Hazen Drive in the city of Concord the Meldrim Thomson State Office Complex and naming New Hampshire route 25A from Wentworth to Orford the Governor Meldrim Thomson Scenic Highway. (House Concurred 4/17/02)

HB 1164, renaming Hill's Bridge in the town of Lee as the Captain Reuben Hill Bridge. (House Concurred 4/17/02)

HB 1167, permitting wine manufacturers to sell their products at farmers' markets.(House Concurred 4/17/02)

HB 1180, establishing a task force to research revenue streams to fund intermodal transportation systems in New Hampshire. (House Concurred 4/17/02)

HB 1203, relative to retroactive health insurance denials. (House Concurred 4/17/02)

HB 1210, relative to training to be a licensed esthetician, and relative to experience required for shop licensure of barbers, cosmetologists, or estheticians. (House Nonconcurrent; C-of-C 4/17/02)

HB 1220, relative to assisted living residences and housing for older persons. (House Concurred 4/17/02)

HB 1251, relative to the use of mercury amalgam fillings by dentists. (House Concurred 4/17/02)

HB 1277, increasing the optional veterans' property tax credit. (House Nonconcurrent; C-of-C 4/17/02)

HB 1286, increasing the time period during which warrantless arrests for violations of the stalking law and violations of restraining orders in domestic cases are permitted. (House Concurred 4/17/02)

HB 1314, requiring candidates for speaker of the house of representatives to file certain reports and register as political committees. (House Concurred 4/17/02)

HB 1396, authorizing the state veterinarian to provide wildlife disease prevention and treatment. (House Nonconcurrent; C-of-C 4/17/02)

HB 1414-FN-L, relative to taxation of excavation areas. (House Concurred 4/4/02)

HB 1447, establishing a committee to study methods of supporting the continued operation of wood-fired electrical generating facilities. (House Concurred 4/17/02)

COMMITTEES OF CONFERENCE

HCR 28, a resolution urging increased federal funding for quality breast cancer research.(Reps. Avery, Coughlin, Pepino and Heon)

HB 134, permitting challenges to judges. (Reps. Reid, L. Jean, Wall and P. Woods)

HB 180-FN, relative to criminal neglect of elderly, disabled, or impaired adults. (Reps. Sargent, P. Katsakiores, O'Keefe and Knowles)

HB 439-FN-A, establishing a position of septage coordinator and making an appropriation therefor. (Reps. Brundige, M. Cooney, Stone and Holbrook)

HB 712-FN, relative to the coordination of state, regional, and local planning efforts. (Reps. Brundige, Twombly Lockwood and N. Johnson)

HB 1106, repealing the water pollution control revolving loan fund advisory committee, the local government advisory committee, the New Hampshire industrial heritage commission, and the environmental research advisory committee. (Reps. Goulet, Horton, Nordgren and Whalley)

HB 1210, relative to training to be a licensed esthetician, and relative to experience required for shop licensure of barbers, cosmetologists, or estheticians. (Reps. Peterson, Goulet, Dexter, Schulze)

HB 1277, increasing the optional veterans' property tax credit. (Reps. Brundige, M. Griffin, Fairbanks and M. Fraser)

HB 1396, authorizing the state veterinarian to provide wildlife disease prevention and treatment. (Reps. Babson, Melcher, McKinney, and Carlson)

COMMITTEE MEETINGS

MONDAY, APRIL 22

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

1:00 p.m. Complaint hearing.

FISCAL COMMITTEE (RSA 14:30-a), Rooms 212, LOB

1:00 p.m. Subcommittee on Tax Simulation and Forecasting Models.

NH-CANADIAN TRADE COUNCIL (RSA 12-A:2-g), Room 306, LOB

2:00 p.m. Regular meeting.

SOURCES THAT BURN PETROLEUM PRODUCTS OR COAL TO COMPLY WITH THE AIR TOXIC CONTROL ACT (SB 93, Chapter 88:1, Laws of 2001), Room 101, LOB

9:00 a.m. Regular meeting.

TUESDAY, APRIL 23

ASSESSING STANDARDS BOARD (RSA 21-J:14-a), Room 301, LOB

2:00 p.m. Regular meeting.

CAPITAL BUDGET OVERVIEW COMMITTEE (RSA 17-J:2), Room 201, LOB

10:00 a.m. Update on Department of Safety Construction Projects.

11:00 a.m. Update1 on University System of New Hampshire Construction Projects.

CHILDREN AND FAMILY LAW, New Hampshire Technical College, Concord

10:00 a.m. Site visit to Child and Family Development Learning Center.

WAYS AND MEANS, Room 202, LOB

10:00 a.m. Full committee work session on revenue estimates.

Executive session to follow.

WINNIPESAUKEE WATERSHED ADVISORY COMMITTEE, (RSA 483-D), Room 312, Department of Environmental Services, 6 Hazen Drive, Concord

2:00 p.m. Regular meeting.

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 24

211 COMMISSION (HB 707, Chapter 258:1, Laws of 2001), Room 304, LOB

2:00 p.m. Regular meeting.

ENVIRONMENT AND AGRICULTURE, Room 303, LOB

10:00 a.m. Recycling subcommittee work session.

TASK FORCE ON RE-ESTABLISHING THE LAWRENCE, MA TO MANCHESTER, NH AND THE CONCORD TO

LEBANON RAIL SERVICE (HB 258, Chapter 271:1, Laws of 2001), Room 203, LOB

10:00 a.m. Regular meeting.

TOBACCO USE ADVISORY COMMITTEE (RSA 126-K:19), Landergan Hall, Room 12, Department of Education, State Office Park South, 101 Pleasant Street, Concord

2:30 p.m. Regular meeting.

THURSDAY, APRIL 25

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

8:00 a.m. Regular meeting.

FRIDAY, APRIL 26

TELECOMMUNICATIONS OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE (RSA 374:22-h), Room 304, LOB

10:00 a.m. Regular meeting.

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

9:00 a.m. Regular meeting.

MONDAY, APRIL 29

COLLEGE TUITION SAVINGS PLAN ADVISORY COMMISSION (RSA 195-H:2), Room 103, State House

9:00 a.m. Investment Committee

10:00 a.m. Regular meeting.

COMMISSION TO STUDY THE RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN PUBLIC HEALTH AND THE ENVIRONMENT (HB 1390, Chapter 114:2, Laws of 2000), Room 205, LOB

10:00 a.m. Regular meeting.

FISCAL COMMITTEE (RSA 14:30-a), Rooms 212, LOB

1:00 p.m. Subcommittee on Tax Simulation and Forecasting Models.

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

1:00 p.m. Regular meeting.

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

9:00 a.m. Regular meeting.

TUESDAY, APRIL 30

ASSESSING STANDARDS BOARD (RSA 21-J:14-a), Room 301, LOB

2:00 p.m. Regular meeting.

FRIDAY, MAY 3

**NEW HAMPSHIRE LAND AND COMMUNITY HERITAGE AUTHORITY BOARD OF DIRECTORS (RSA 227-M:4),
CDFA Board Room, 10 Dixon Avenue, Concord**

9:00 a.m. Regular meeting.

MONDAY, MAY 6

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

2:00 p.m. Regular meeting.

OSTEOPOROSIS ADVISORY COUNCIL (RSA 126-I:3), Room 102, LOB

9:30 a.m. Subcommittee work session.

WEDNESDAY, MAY 8

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

9:00 a.m. Regular business.

9:30 a.m. Audits:

State of New Hampshire

Department of Transportation

Bureau of Mechanical Services

Fuel Distribution Section

Financial and Compliance Audit Report for the year ended June 30, 2002.

LONG-RANGE CAPITAL PLANNING AND UTILIZATION (RSA 17-M), Room 201, LOB

9:30 a.m. Regular meeting.

Skyhaven Airport discussion with Skyhaven Airport Operations Committee and City of Rochester officials.

MONDAY, MAY 13

CERTIFICATE OF NEED TASK FORCE (RSA 151-C:16), Room 203, LOB

10:00 a.m. Regular meeting.

friDAY, MAY 17

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

9:00 a.m. Regular meeting.

WEDNESDAY, MAY 22

**TOBACCO USE ADVISORY COMMITTEE (RSA 126-K:19), Department of Education, 101 Pleasant Street,
Landergan Hall, Room 12, Concord**

2:30 p.m. Regular meeting.

OFFICIAL NOTICES

REVISED FISCAL NOTES

The following HBs have revised fiscal notes: HBs 134, 179, 212, 213, 284, 285, 295, 298, 329, 353, 392, 439, 463, 498, 556, 557, 560, 567, 581, 587, 589, 592, 650, 656, 672, 675, 686, 706, 718, 744, 757, 768, 1000, 1100, 1102, 1192, 1231, 1236, 1259, 1260, 1264, 1266, 1268, 1270, 1271, 1275, 1302, 1305, 1317, 1319, 1336, 1349, 1352, 1353, 1355, 1358, 1359, 1360, 1362, 1363, 1364, 1365, 1366, 1367, 1369, 1371, 1372, 1373, 1374, 1375, 1376, 1377, 1379, 1380, 1381, 1382, 1393, 1409, 1411, 1422, 1425, 1426, 1428, 1436, 1437, 1438, 1440, 1450, 1451, 1455, 1456, 1460, 1461, 1462, 1463, 1464, 1466, 1467, 1468, 1469, 1470, 1472, 1478, 1479, 1481 and 1482.

Karen O. Wadsworth, Clerk of the House

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 as requested.

Rudolph J. Kobel, 73 Old Candia Road, Candia 03034-2414

William R. Zolla, 3 Pond Road, Derry, 03038-3947

Colleagues who so desire may send cards and greetings to the address listed above.

Karen O. Wadsworth, 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 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.

From time to time the Speaker receives reports and audits from various committees, commissions, and departments. On the chance that some of these reports might be of interest to a member, I will periodically list the reports that are received in the Speaker’s office and available for viewing.

Reports most recently received include:

Debt Affordability Study for Fiscal Year 2002

State of NH 2001 Annual Report

Gene G. Chandler, Speaker

The Legislative Veterans Group will hold a breakfast meeting in the State House Cafeteria on Monday, **April 22nd** from 8:00 – 10:00 a.m.

Rep. Kenneth L. Weyler

The Main Street Republicans Executive Committee will meet at the Upham Walker House at 9:30 a.m. on the following Tuesdays, **April 23rd** and April 30th.

Rep. Joseph P. Manning

The House Republican Alliance will meet at the Upham Walker House (Park Street across from the State House) will meet at 8:30 a.m. on the following Wednesdays: May 1 and May 15 and at 11:30 a.m. on the following Wednesdays: **April 24**, May 8 and May 22.

Rep. Paul M. Mirski

The Main Street Republicans will caucus at 8:30 a.m. at the Upham Walker House on **April 25th** and May 2nd.

Rep. Joseph P. Manning

All legislators are invited to attend a groundbreaking ceremony for the renovation and addition to Boyd Hall at Plymouth State College on Thursday, **April 25th** at 2:00 p.m. A reception will be held immediately following the ceremony in the Heritage Commons across the street.

Reps. Deborah A. Naro and Mary R. Cooney.

The New Hampshire Association of Volunteers (NHAVA) and Volunteer NH! are celebrating national volunteer week – **April 21-27**. We want to recognize the outstanding contributions volunteers make to our state.

Rep. Carolyn M. Gargasz, NHAVA member

Rep. Andrew R. Peterson, Board member Volunteer NH!

All House members and staff are invited to join the March of Dimes in a walk for healthy babies in New Hampshire at WalkAmerica on Sunday, **April 28th**, 2002. WalkAmerica takes place in Claremont, Concord, Derry, Dover, Hillsboro, Keene, Laconia, Manchester, Milford, Nashua and Plymouth. Call 1-800-287-0317 for more information.

Reps. John D. Hutchinson and James R. Boynton

The Business and Industry Association of New Hampshire is hosting a series of regional morning "get-togethers" to allow legislators to meet and chat with business people from across the state. Tours of the host facilities will be given and a continental breakfast will be served. There is no cost to attend these events, but an RSVP is requested. If you would like to attend the meeting, please call the BIA at (800) 540-5388. **April 29th** from 9:00 to 11:00 a.m. at Fidelity Investments, One Spartan Way, Merrimack.

Rep. David W. Hess

The Department of Education, in collaboration with the Commission to Establish an Education System for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing, invites you to the following Focus Group discussions in four different areas of the state. We are fortunate to have Dr. Susan E. Auerbach as facilitator of each event. She is highly regarded as an expert on such matters and we are sure she will lead us in the discussion of the purpose of these meetings around the state. The purpose of the forums is to gather information relevant to the education of the deaf and hard of hearing. The following meetings have been scheduled:

April 27 – Amherst Street School Cafeteria, 71 Amherst Street, Nashua from 10:00 a.m. to noon.

May 4 – Family Resource Center Community Room, 123 Main Street, Gorham from 10:00 a.m. to noon.

May 11 – Keene Public Library, Winter Street, Keene from 10:00 a.m. to noon.

Rep. Andre A. Martel

Republican Governor Candidate Forum – The Hillsborough County Republican Committee (in conjunction with the Bedford Republican Committee) will hold a forum with the four Republican candidates on Saturday, **April 27th** at 10:00 a.m. at the Bedford Town Hall. Coffee will be provided. The County Republican Committee will meet immediately following the forum.

Rep. Maurice E. Goulet

The Capitol League of Women Voters invite all legislators to an informational reception on Tuesday, **May 7th** from 4:00 – 6:00 p.m. at the Concord City Auditorium Lobby. Refreshments will be provided. For more information, call the League of Women Voters of New Hampshire at 225-5344.

Rep. Candace W. Bouchard

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, **June 3rd** at 6:00 p.m.

Karen O. Wadsworth, Clerk of the House

The Republican Party Advisory Committee on Education will sponsor a symposium, "Legislative Proposals for School Reform in New Hampshire" on Saturday, **June 15th**, 1:00 – 5:00 p.m. at the Courtyard Marriott (Grappone Conference Center) off Exit 15 , I-93. The public is welcome and there is no fee for the symposium. A number of speakers will be present, including those from the New Hampshire Business Council, National Council on Teacher Quality, Milton Friedman Foundation, Children's Scholarship Fund and Center for Market-Based Education.

To attend the reception following the symposium, send check for \$14 per person payable to "Republican State Committee" to Simone Maloney, 171 Russell Street, Manchester 03104. For further information call 786-9562 or 225-9341.

Rep. John R. M. Alger

The Belknap County Republican Committee will hold the annual barbeque at Smith Meeting House, Gilmanton, Saturday, **June 22nd**, from 11:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. Tickets at \$15 are available from any Belknap County Republican.

Rep. Thomas Rice, Jr.

The Department of Transportation will hold the following meeting:

Apr 25 – Jefferson Town Hall, Jefferson, 5:00 p.m. Public workshop -- Jefferson-Randolph, 13602 US 2 Reconstruction and Safety Improvements.

May 2 – Walpole Town Hall, 34 Elm Street, Walpole 7:00 p.m. Combined Public Officials/Informational Meeting -- Walpole 12895, Repaving of Turnpike Road and Route 12 and upgrades.

May 8 – NHDOT, 1 Hazen Drive, Highway Design Conference Room, Concord 10:00 a.m. -- Commission Meeting -- Belmont 12916 US 3/NH 11.

May 9 – Plaistow Town Library, 85 Main Street, Plaistow 6:30 p.m. Advisory Task Force -- Plaistow-Kingston, 10044-B NH 125 Reconstruction.

May 9 – NRPC Office, 115 Main Street, Nashua 6:00 p.m. NH Route 101A Steering Committee Meeting -- Milford-Nashua, 10136 NH Route 101A Corridor Study.

May 9 – Randolph Town Hall, Randolph 6:00 p.m. Public Workshop -- Access Management Workshop.

May 13 – Derry Municipal Center, 14 Manning Street, Derry 7:00 p.m. Public Informational Meeting -- Derry 13249 Improvements to the intersection of NH Route 102(Broadway) and NH Route 28(Birch Street and Crystal Avenue).

May 14 – Carroll Town Hall Gymnasium, 92 School Street, Carroll 7:00 p.m. Combined Public Officials/Informational Meeting -- Bethlehem-Carroll Repaving of Route 3.

May 14 – NH DOT, 1 Hazen Drive, Room 112, Concord 10:00 a.m. Commission Meeting -- Easton-Woodstock 12971 NH Route 112.

May 23- City Hall, Council Chambers, 3rd floor, 51 North Park Street, Lebanon 7:00 p.m. Combined Public Officials/Informational Meeting – Lebanon 13444 Reconstruct the Northbound Weigh Station 500’ north of existing location and upgrade the Southbound Weigh Station at its present location.

May 30 – Alton Town Hall, 1 Monument Square, Alton 7:00 p.m. Combined Public Officials/Informational Meeting --Alton 12894, Repaving of Route 28, 4.0 miles ending 200’ north of Route 28-A.

June 19 – Whitefield School, 34 Twin Mountain Road, US Route 3, Whitefield 7:00 p.m. Public Hearing Commission -- Whitefield P2953 US Route 3 Reconstruction from CarrollIT/L northerly 2.0 miles to NH Route 116.

Rep. Edwin O. Smith, Chairman

Public Works and Highways Committee

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 2002**. 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 22	10:00 & 11:15	Canaan Elementary	4/60
April 23	9:30 & 11:00	John Fueller School – North Conway	4/50
April 24	9:30 & 11:00	Hanover St. School – Lebanon	4/80
April 24	1:00	Trinity Christian School – Concord	5 & 6/34
April 25	9:30 & 11:00	Ray School – Hanover	3/104
April 26	10:00	Cornish Elementary	4/12
April 26	10:00	Freedom Elementary	4/13
April 26	11:30	Madison Elementary	4/28
April 26	2:00	CHOSNH-Christian Home School - Hollis	30
April 29	9:30 & 11:00	Epsom Central School	4/60
April 29	10:00	Seminary Hill Elementary – West Lebanon	4/40
April 30	10:00 & 11:30	Thornton Ferry –Merrimack	4/50
April 30	11:00	Danbury Elementary	3 & 4/26

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29 Annual Bill White Memorial Legislative Golf Tournament

The 29th Annual Bill White Memorial Legislative Golf Tournament is scheduled for Friday, **June 7**, 2002 at the Pheasant Ridge Country Club, Gilford, NH. The entry fee for this annual tournament is \$60.00 per person which includes greens fee, cart, dinner and prizes.

A shotgun start is scheduled for 9:00 a.m. The format is "Captain and Crew".

Sign-up as a foursome or sign-up by yourself in order to be placed in a foursome.

A maximum of 120 players will be allowed.

Please return your entry and payment no later than May 31st to Sandy Wheeler at the LOB Lobby Desk. Please make checks payable to David S. Saltmarsh.

Rep. David
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Rep. Peter
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29th Annual Bill White Memorial Golf Tournament
Pheasant Ridge Country Club
Gilford, NH

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