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HOUSE CALENDAR

NOTICE

MEMBERS OF THE HOUSE:

I know everyone is anxiously awaiting their committee and seating assignments. Careful consideration will be given to everyone's requests and lists will be posted as soon as possible. This is a tedious process and I hope you will all bear with me.

You will find certain committee meetings posted in this calendar though appointments to these particular committees may not have yet been made. We are working on these and will have appointments made prior to the meetings. If you have questions about this or any other matter, please do not hesitate to call my office.

I would like to invite you all to a holiday party the afternoon of Tuesday, December 17, at the Upham-Walker House. Details will be posted in next week's calendar.

The State House cafeteria will be closed the week of December 23 for cleaning and equipment upgrades.

The House will meet in session on Wednesday, January 8, 2003 at 10:00 a.m. Governor-elect Benson will be inaugurated on Thursday, January 9. For your planning purposes, I anticipate sessions being held primarily on Thursdays.

Gene G. Chandler, Speaker

NOTICE

Beginning in December Calendars will *close* on *Thursday at noon* to be mailed Friday.

Karen O. Wadsworth, Clerk of the House

NOTICE

Please take note of the House Deadlines listed below. All Representatives-elect may now file LSRs for the next session.

Gene G. Chandler, Speaker

HOUSE DEADLINES

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.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS

MONDAY, DECEMBER 9

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

9:00 a.m. Regular meeting.

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 11

PROBLEMS RELATED TO THE DELIVERY OF LOCAL ASSISTANCE (HB 1109, Chapter 184:1, Laws of 2002), Room 301, LOB

10:00 a.m. Regular meeting.

TASK FORCE ON FAMILY LAW (HB 447, Chapter 250:1, Laws of 2002), Rooms 206-208, LOB

3:00 p.m. Regular meeting.

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 17

ADVISORY COUNCIL ON UNEMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION (RSA 282-A:128), 32 South Main Street, Concord

1:00 p.m. Regular meeting.

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

9:30 a.m. Regular meeting.

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 18

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

9:00 a.m. Regular business.

9:30 a.m. Audit: Comprehensive annual financial report of the New Hampshire Retirement System for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2002.

RULES COMMITTEE, Room 201, LOB

10:00 a.m. Public hearing.

Executive session to follow.

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 19

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

9:00 a.m. Regular meeting.

OFFICIAL NOTICES

ORGANIZATION OF COUNTY DELEGATIONS

The first meeting of each county convention must be held during the week of December 9-13 (per RSA 24:9-a). Having consulted senior incumbent members, the Clerk announces the following schedule of organizational meetings:

BELKNAP COUNTY: December 14 (please note date and time change) at 9:00 a.m. at the Belknap County Complex, Commissioners’ Office.

CARROLL COUNTY: December 12 at 6: 30 p.m. at the Mountain View Nursing Home, Route 171, Ossipee.

CHESHIRE COUNTY: December 11 at 7:00 p.m. at Cheshire County Courthouse, Jury Assembly Room. 7:30 p.m. to take up the budget and the Latchis property and any other business.

COOS COUNTY: December 9 at 10:00 a.m. at the Forests and Lands Building, Route 3, Lancaster.

GRAFTON COUNTY: December 11 at 1:00 p.m. at the Grafton County Commissioners’ Office, Conference Room, Route 10, North Haverhill.

HILLSBOROUGH COUNTY: December 11 at 7:00 p.m. at the Hillsborough County Superior Courthouse, 300 Chestnut Street, Manchester.

MERRIMACK COUNTY: December 10 at 10:00 a.m. at the Merrimack County Administration Building, Commissioners’ Office, 4 Court Street, Concord.

ROCKINGHAM COUNTY: December 11 at 10:00 a.m. Hilton Auditorium, Rockingham County Nursing Home, Brentwood. Executive Committee to meet following delegation meeting.

STRAFFORD COUNTY: December 11 at 7:00 p.m. at the William A. Grimes Justice and Administration Building, Dover.

SULLIVAN COUNTY: December 12 at 10:00 a.m. at the County Offices, Newport.

Karen O. Wadsworth, Clerk of the House

COUNTY DELEGATION NOTICE

Cheshire County Delegation will meet on **December 16** at 7:00 p.m. in the Jury Assembly Room, Cheshire County Courthouse, 12 Court Street, Keene, to review the Jail Planning report, including the site selections and drawings and to address other matters as may come before the Delegation.

Rep. McKim W. Mitchell

Cheshire County Delegation

COUNTY DELEGATION NOTICE

The Rockingham County nominating committee is seeking interested representatives who wish to be candidates to fill the offices of the county delegation (especially executive committee). Interested representatives should contact the nominating committee as soon as possible.

Reps. Franklin C. Bishop, C. Donald Stritch and Thomas A. Varrell

The bound volumes of the 2001 Session Laws are now available on a first come, first served basis in the Office of Legislative Services, Room 109, State House, for those members who are interested.

Carol J. Holahan, Director, Legislative Services

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.

I would like to challenge all Representatives to sponsor a patient at their County Nursing Home this Christmas. With 400 Representatives that will be 400 happy people this Christmas.

Rep. Russell D. Bridle

All members are invited to join a new caucus tentatively called "The Big Tent Democrat and Republican Sub-caucus." This bipartisan caucus will discuss and create dialogue about the many issues we will be facing that transcend each party. Maybe we'll find solutions before getting into debate and the parliamentary limitations of the House Chamber. Meetings will be scheduled in January. Please contact me at jimsplaine@aol.com or 436-0718 if you are interested.

Rep. James R. Splaine

Those Representatives and Representatives-elect who are interested in discussing the formation of a Privacy Caucus please contact me at 529-7253.

Rep. Neal M. Kurk

The House Republican Alliance will meet each Wednesday at 8:30 a.m. at the Upham Walker House, Park Street (across from the State House).

Rep. Michael A. Balboni

Families for Justice invite all Representatives, Senators and staff to an information forum on DCYF issues on Tuesday, **December 10**, 7:00 p.m. at the Unitarian Universalist Church, 274 Pleasant Street, Concord. The forum will outline the process of children entering DCYF, discuss ways to improve DCYF and support tools for families involved with DCYF. For more information please contact Jackie Bennett, 227-9054.

Rep. Candace C.W. Bouchard

House Speaker Gene Chandler and Senate President Thomas Eaton invite members to attend the New Hampshire Judicial Council's program in partnership with the Institute of Politics and the Center for State Constitutional Studies at the University of New Jersey, Rutgers.

Governmental Accountability:

Separation of Powers and Checks and Balances

December 12, 2002-Thursday

The Institute of Politics-St. Anselm College

Manchester NH

Please contact the Judicial Council at 603-271-3592 for more information.

Gene G. Chandler, Speaker

The New Hampshire Child Advocacy Network will release its 2003 Children's Agenda at a press conference on Tuesday, **January 14** at 10:00 a.m. in the Legislative Office Building Lobby. All Legislators and staff are invited to attend. For information, please call the Children's Alliance of NH at 225-2264.

Rep. Marjorie Smith

The New Hampshire Cultural Diversity Awareness Council will host its second annual Keeping the Dream Alive, Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Day dinner on Monday, **January 20**, 2003 at 6:00 p.m. at the Center of New Hampshire, in Manchester. This year's theme is "How to win with diversity."

Keynote speakers will be Herman Boone and Bill Yoast, whose story was depicted in the movie "Remember the Titans." Both Boone and Yoast will speak about matters relating to team building and ethnic diversity. They will share their experience of pulling together a diverse coaching staff and a group of unfocused boys to create the football team which ranked second in the nation.

Master of Ceremonies will be Union Leader columnist Joe Sullivan. Guest performances will include Lauren Meehan (Miss NH 2000), Mary Morin (Miss NH 2002), and the Greater Manchester Youth Symphony Orchestra.

Dinner proceeds will be used for the 3rd annual "Keeping the Dream Alive" cultural diversity workshop to be held at Waterville Valley Conference Center on Wednesday, January 15, 2003. For further information and advance tickets, please visit our website <http://nhcdac.org>, call 487-3851 or contact Rep. Bruno at 487-2612.

Rep. Pierre W. Bruno

The New Hampshire Forum on Higher Education and Public Service Company of New Hampshire cordially invite legislators to join Governor-elect Craig Benson (invited), business leaders and college and university presidents from around New Hampshire to a breakfast on Thursday, **January 23** from 7:30 to 9:30 a.m. at the NH Historical Society, Tuck Library, 30 Park Street, Concord.

During the breakfast, the 2003 Higher Education Economic Impact Report titled Higher Education: The Cornerstone to New Hampshire's Prosperity will be presented and discussed.

The report demonstrates how the needs of business, higher education and government are increasingly interconnected and outlines the importance of partnerships. In 2002 alone, higher education generated more than \$3 billion in our economy, contributed to the creation of 4,418 new jobs and increased investments in building construction and research and development.

Please join us for an informative and engaging presentation and discussion on the significant impact that New Hampshire's higher education institutions have on the state's economy.

The favor of a reply is requested by January 17, 2003. Simply confirm your participation by calling Kelly Clark at 227-5315 or via e-mail at kclark@gsmr.org.

Gene G. Chandler, Speaker

The Department of Transportation will hold the following meeting:

Dec 10 – Madbury Town Hall, 13 Town Hall Road, Madbury, 7:00 p.m. Public hearing (Commission), Madbury, NH Route 155.

Dec 10 – Warren Town Hall, Water Street, Warren, 7:00 p.m. Combined public officials/informational meeting, Warren, pavement rehab., guardrail replacement and drainage improvement along NH 25.

Rep. Edwin O. Smith

NOTICE

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 **December 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
Dec. 9	10:00 & 11:15	Memorial Elementary School – Bedford	4/45
Dec. 9	1:30	Bedford Women’s Club	
Dec. 10	10:00	Lamprey River Elementary School – Raymond	3/40
Dec.11	9:00	Henniker Elementary School	4/18
Dec. 11	10:00	Disnard Elementary School – Claremont	4/45
Dec. 12	9:45 & 11:00	Loudon Elementary School	4/65
Dec. 13	10:00 & 11:15	Pollard Elementary School – Plaistow	4/75
Dec. 13	12:30	Villa Augustine School - Goffstown	4/27
Dec. 16	9:30 & 11:00	Kearsarge Elementary School – New London	4/80
Dec. 17	9:30 & 11:00	Grinnell School – Derry	4/80
Dec. 18	9:30 & 11:00	Grinnell School – Derry	4/80
Dec. 19	10:00 & 11:15	Penacook Elementary School	4/60
Dec. 20	9:30 & 11:00	Rochester Middle School	8/80

NOTICE

The members listed below have bills ready for signature in Legislative Services.

Carol J. Holahan, Director

SPONSOR	COUNTY	DISTRICT	LSR NUMBER
Alger, John	Grafton	14	2003-H-0030-R
Alger, John	Grafton	14	2003-H-0161-R
Alger, John	Grafton	14	2003-H-0215-R
Alger, John	Grafton	14	2003-H-0419-R
Artz, Lawrence	Hillsborough	64	2003-H-0163-R
Bergin, Peter	Hillsborough	47	2003-H-0344-R

Blanchard, MaryAnn	Rockingham	86	2003-H-0046-R
Blanchard, MaryAnn	Rockingham	86	2003-H-0051-L
Boyce, Laurie	Belknap	31	2003-H-0035-R
Boyce, Laurie	Belknap	31	2003-H-0037-R
Bruno, Pierre	Hillsborough	45	2003-H-0051-L
Christiansen, Lars	Hillsborough	66	2003-H-0184-R
Christiansen, Lars	Hillsborough	66	2003-H-0186-R
Christiansen, Lars	Hillsborough	66	2003-H-0187-R
Christiansen, Lars	Hillsborough	66	2003-H-0208-R
Clegg, Robert	Hillsborough	23	2003-H-0005-R
Cloutier, John	Sullivan	22	2003-H-0173-L
Cooney, Mary	Grafton	15	2003-H-0142-L
Cooney, Richard	Rockingham	76	2003-H-0051-L
Crane, Elenore Casey	Hillsborough	59	2003-H-0156-R
Dickinson, Howard	Carroll	04	2003-H-0419-R
Dionne, Kimberley	Hillsborough	42	2003-H-0080-R
Elliott, Larry	Hillsborough	42	2003-H-0040-R
Ferland, Brenda	Sullivan	23	2003-H-0053-L
Flanagan, Natalie	Rockingham	78	2003-H-0307-R
Francoeur, Sheila	Rockingham	85	2003-H-0253-R
Giuda, Robert	Grafton	13	2003-H-0015-R
Giuda, Robert	Grafton	13	2003-H-0215-R
Harrington, Michael	Strafford	68	2003-H-0030-R
Harrington, Michael	Strafford	68	2003-S-0286-R
Heon, Richard	Strafford	67	2003-H-0250-R
Hughes, Daniel	Rockingham	88	2003-H-0098-R
Hunt, John	Cheshire	28	2003-H-0091-R
Hunt, John	Cheshire	28	2003-H-0092-L

Hunt, John	Cheshire	28	2003-S-0274-L
Ingbretson, Paul	Grafton	13	2003-H-0201-R
Johnson, Rogers	Rockingham	83	2003-H-0015-R
Katsakiores, George	Rockingham	77	2003-H-0253-R
Konys, Christine	Hillsborough	65	2003-H-0049-L
Kurk, Neal	Hillsborough	48	2003-H-0152-R
Kurk, Neal	Hillsborough	48	2003-H-0153-R
Kurk, Neal	Hillsborough	48	2003-H-0156-R
Kurk, Neal	Hillsborough	48	2003-H-0234-R
Kurk, Neal	Hillsborough	48	2003-H-0236-R
Kurk, Neal	Hillsborough	48	2003-H-0237-R
Kurk, Neal	Hillsborough	48	2003-H-0239-R
Kurk, Neal	Hillsborough	48	2003-H-0244-R
Kurk, Neal	Hillsborough	48	2003-H-0246-R
Kurk, Neal	Hillsborough	48	2003-H-0256-R
Kurk, Neal	Hillsborough	48	2003-H-0261-R
Kurk, Neal	Hillsborough	48	2003-H-0264-R
Kurk, Neal	Hillsborough	48	2003-H-0265-L
Kurk, Neal	Hillsborough	48	2003-H-0266-R
Kurk, Neal	Hillsborough	48	2003-H-0269-R
Lawton, David	Belknap	30	2003-H-0164-R
Lawton, David	Belknap	30	2003-H-0194-R
Leach, Edward	Hillsborough	42	2003-H-0001-R
Letourneau, Robert	Rockingham	77	2003-H-0177-R
Major, Norman	Rockingham	79	2003-H-0193-R
Marple, Richard	Merrimack	37	2003-H-0374-R
McHugh, Claire	Hillsborough	61	2003-H-0067-R
McHugh, Claire	Hillsborough	61	2003-H-0068-R
Mock, Henry	Carroll	04	2003-H-0419-R

Naro, Debra	Grafton	15	2003-H-0419-R
Pantelakos, Laura	Rockingham	86	2003-H-0326-R
Patten, Betsey	Carroll	07	2003-H-0051-L
Phinizy, James	Sullivan	23	2003-H-0419-R
Quandt, Matthew	Rockingham	83	2003-H-0300-R
Rodeschin, Beverly	Sullivan	20	2003-H-0175-R
Russell, David	Belknap	31	2003-H-0164-R
Shultis, Elizabeth	Rockingham	86	2003-H-0039-R
Smith, Marjorie	Strafford	72	2003-H-0098-R
Soltani, Tony	Merrimack	37	2003-H-0015-R
Soltani, Tony	Merrimack	37	2003-H-0075-R
Soltani, Tony	Merrimack	37	2003-S-0272-R
Tholl, John	Coos	02	2003-S-0287-R
Wendelboe, Fran	Belknap	29	2003-H-0032-R
Weyler, Kenneth	Rockingham	79	2003-H-0217-L

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NOTICE

HOUSE EMERGENCY NOTIFICATION SYSTEM

In past sessions, a plan was developed for the House Leadership to communicate with members of the House at night and at such other times as the members are at home.

In most emergencies the individual member will be aware that an emergency exists, though may be in doubt as to its extent.

The following procedure has been developed:

1. Notice of an emergency message will be given to State Police Headquarters in Concord and commercial wire services.
2. State Police Headquarters will send the message via computer to the stations listed.
3. Reliance will be placed on each individual legislator to call the terminal station nearest his or her home and inquire for any emergency message to legislators in times of emergency or suspected emergency. This will include, but not be limited to cancellation of sessions due to severe weather conditions.

Gilford	Police Station	527-4737
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Laconia	Police Station	524-5252
Keene	Police Station	352-2222
Lebanon	Police Station	448-1212
Manchester	Police Station	668-8711
Nashua	Police Station	594-3500
Concord	Police Station	225-8600
Rockingham County	County Sheriff	679-2225
Portsmouth	Police Station	427-1500
Dover	Police Station	742-4646
Claremont	Police Station	542-9538
Newport	Police Station	863-3232
Merrimack	Police Station	424-2222
Salem	Police Station	893-1911
Ossipee	County Sheriff	539-2284
Derry	Police Station	432-6111

In addition to the above listed numbers you can also call the numbers listed below nearest you.

State Police Headquarters Department of Safety 10 Hazen Drive Concord, NH 03305 Tel: 271-3636	
Rockingham & Strafford Counties Troop - A Route 125 Epping, NH 03042 Tel: 679-3333	Hillsborough County Troop - B 4 Meadowbrook Drive Milford, NH 03055 Tel: 672-3333
Cheshire & Sullivan Counties Troop - C Box 272	Merrimack County Department of Safety 10 Hazen Drive

Keene, NH 03431 Tel: 358-3333	Concord, NH 03305 Tel: 271-3636
Belknap & Carroll Counties Troop - E Box 235 W. Ossipee, NH 03890 Tel: 323-3333	Coos & Grafton Counties Troop - F Box 440 Twin Mountain, NH 03595 Tel: 846-3333

Also in the event members wish to obtain road or weather conditions during periods of inclement weather they should call the nearest Troop Station to their residence or Headquarters Communications in Concord. When calling Headquarters Communications, they should ask to speak with the Communications Supervisor. When calling a Troop Station, inquiries will be handled by the Communications Specialist on duty at the time.

The caller should specify the information he or she wishes to obtain. This information should be readily available to communications personnel and every effort will be made to accommodate these requests in a timely manner.

Please be advised when calling State Police Headquarters to call **271-3636** and not any of the 800 lines, which are used for emergency purposes only.

A toll-free 24-hour weather and traffic hotline is now available at 1-800-918-9993. If you have to call from out-of-state, the number is 1-603-271-6900.