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HOUSE CALENDAR

A MESSAGE FROM THE SPEAKER

MEMBERS OF THE HOUSE:

The House will meet in session on Tuesday, May 25, at 10:00 a.m. and Wednesday, May 26, 2004 if necessary. We will meet on Thursday, June 17, to take up gubernatorial vetoes.

Speaker Gene G. Chandler

LEGISLATIVE BRIEFING

MONDAY, MAY 24, 2004

10:30 A.M.

REPRESENTATIVES HALL

In an effort to provide as much information to members as possible this briefing will answer your questions on the education funding proposal, SB 302, as well as other key issues that will be before the House on Tuesday.

Gene G. Chandler, Speaker

NOTICE

There will be a Republican Caucus on Tuesday, **May 25** at 9:00 a.m. in Representatives Hall.
Rep. David W. Hess, Majority Leader

NOTICE

There will be a Democratic Caucus on Tuesday, **May 25** at 9:00 a.m. in Rooms 305-307 of the Legislative Office Building.
Rep. Peter H. Burling, Democratic Leader

NOTICE

The Statement of Financial Interests for Gifts, Testimonials and Honorariums (RSA 15-B) is in each member's mail slot. This statement must be signed and submitted to the Secretary of State's Office by **June 15, 2004**. A statement must be submitted even if the member has not received any gifts, testimonials or honorariums in the last year.

William M. Gardner
Secretary of State

PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO HOUSE RULE 64

Proposed by the Committee on Rules

Monday, September 20, 2004	First day for incumbents running for re-election to file LSRs with complete information.
Friday, October 8, 2004	Last day for incumbents running for re-election to file LSRs with complete information.
Monday, November 1, 2004	Last day to file 2004 Interim Study reports.
Wednesday, November 10, 2004	First day for all representatives-elect to file LSRs with complete information. 15-day sign off period begins.
Wednesday, December 8, 2004, 3:00 p.m.	Last day for all representatives-elect to file LSRs with complete information.

TUESDAY, MAY 25 REGULAR CALENDAR

JUDICIARY

SJR 3, urging the United States Supreme Court to retain the words "under God" in the pledge of allegiance. **REFER FOR INTERIM STUDY**

Rep. Robert H Rowe for Judiciary: This Resolution urges the Supreme Court and each of the justices to retain the words "Under God" in the Pledge of Allegiance. The committee was nearly unanimous in its strong support of the Joint Resolution. However, the wording of the resolution, it's timing, and the action directed by the resolution presented serious problems. The resolution was enacted by the Senate without a public hearing and in a time frame that did not allow the House to study the matter and make appropriate changes. A strong majority of the Judiciary Committee felt that it is inappropriate to influence the court after a case is closed and under advisement. This case has already been heard by the Supreme Court. Further, the resolution requires the resolution to be sent to individual justices in addition to the court clerk. This is inappropriate as an attempt to influence an individual judge and consequently the results of the case. This could be considered as an unethical and possibly unlawful influence. **Vote 12-3.**

TUESDAY, MAY 25 COMMITTEE OF CONFERENCE STATEMENTS

SENATE BILLS CONSENT CALENDAR

SB 153, adopting the nurse licensure compact.
The Senate concurred with the House position.

Rep. Paul G. LaFlamme

SB 317, relative to registration of pesticide applicators and rules of the pesticide control board.
The conferees agreed to the House version of the bill.

Rep. Omer C. Ahern, Jr.

SB 381, relative to the transfer of certain capital appropriations within the department of safety.
The Senate agreed with the House version of the bill. The Senate and House both agreed to remove the requirement for approval of the plan from the Capitol Budget Overview Committee for the construction of the Emergency Operation Center/Transportation Management Center. No state appropriations are made for this project. It is 100% federal money and the Capitol Budget Overview Committee already has overview authority.

Rep. James B. Rausch

SB 391, relative to bond votes in municipalities using chartered official ballot voting procedures and relative to Claremont school district elections.

The Senate acceded to the House position.

Rep. Betsey L. Patten

SB 407-FN-L, relative to default budgets in the budget adoption procedure in political subdivisions which have adopted official ballot voting.

The conferees wanted to have the default budget clearly documented on the default budget form by separating out the prior year's appropriations, the reductions and increases and the one-time expenditures on the form to be provided by the Department of Revenue Administration. Also the wording of the question to be placed on the ballot to determine whether the budget committee, if there is one, will propose the default budget cannot be amended at the deliberative session. The question to rescind this authorization also cannot be amended at the deliberative session.

Rep. Betsey L. Patten

SB 413-FN, relative to financing federally aided highway projects.

The Senate agreed to accept the House version of this bill.

Rep. John A. Graham

SB 415-FN, continuing and expanding to all counties the Grafton county court pilot project relative to abuse and neglect hearings.

The Senate acceded to the House position so the bill remains the same as passed by the House, and extends the pilot project to Rockingham County.

Rep. Edward P. Moran

SB 453, establishing a committee to study the tobacco master settlement agreement revenue stream to the state.

The Senate agreed to the House position on this bill.

Rep. Shawn N. Jasper

SB 459, making certain changes to the real estate practice act.

The House and Senate compromised on the privacy issues contained within SB 459. The business of real estate industry will continue as has been past practice, with name and phone numbers of the sellers of real estate being placed in the Multiple Listing Services. However, a disclosure will now be required in order to place that information into those types of databases. The Committee of Conference also changed the effective date of that section to allow time for compliance.

Rep. Paul G. LaFlamme

SB 461, relative to the regulation of gift certificates under the consumer protection act.

The Senate acceded to the House position.

Rep. John B. Hunt

SB 478-FN, relative to penalties for DWI offenses.

The Senate agreed with the House version of the bill.

Rep. John E. Tholl, Jr.

SB 500-FN, relative to certain procedures of financial institutions.

There seem to be some confusion in the use of the terms "financial institutions" and "financial institution holding companies." The agreed upon amendment was to not change the current law and to continue calling the holding companies "bank holding companies." The other amendment was to make a small increase in the fees that are assessed which were requested by the securities division of the Secretary of State's office.

Rep. John B. Hunt

SB 508-FN, relative to grant-funded programs.

The Senate acceded to the House position.

Rep. Eric G. Stohl

SB 521-FN, increasing the penalty for identity fraud.

The Senate agreed to the House version of the bill.

Rep. Alan B. Bemis

SB 526, relative to sexual harassment complaint procedures for public employees.

The Senate conferees agreed with the House position which directed the Ethics Committee to receive and investigate sexual harassment complaints in addition to those duties already assigned.

Rep. James R. MacKay

SB 533, relative to licensing requirements for certain recreation and child care programs.

The Senate acceded to the House position.

Rep. Robert W. Brundige

SENATE BILLS

REGULAR CALENDAR

SB 109, adopting the model Drug Dealer Liability Act.

The House concurs with the Senate version of the bill. The House amendment to this bill is expected to be handled in a Committee of Conference on another bill

Rep. Harry M. Haytayan, Jr.

SB 302-FN-L, making technical corrections to the education funding formula.

The conferees agreed to adopt an education funding formula for '05 and beyond technically different from the formulas in both the House and Senate versions of the bill. This approach was the result of recent opinions regarding the constitutionality of the underlying funding formula used in those versions as well as current law for '05 and statements by the Governor that he would veto an increase in the cigarette tax. Therefore both the House and Senate receded from their original positions. Principles in the House position are still in the committee of conference report. The report establishes a lower statewide property tax rate for '05 than was in place for '04 -- \$3.33 down from \$4.92. This lower rate provides for less impact on the donor towns so that individual taxpayers see the benefit of a lower statewide property tax bill. Beginning in '06 the statewide property tax rate will be set at a level sufficient to generate the same revenue generated by the property tax in the previous year. Therefore, in the future the statewide property tax rate will go down due to increases in statewide valuation resulting from increased values and new construction. Both the funding and distribution formulas adopted by the conferees are clearly defensible on constitutional grounds. There is a definition of adequacy and a cost of adequacy calculation already in existing law. The new SB 302 formula is based on the per-pupil adequacy cost calculation used to determine grants for '04 and previous years without the additional weighting for poverty, special education, and high school students. The formula also eliminates the multiple counting in the House and Senate versions of the bill that applied to certain communities allowing up to \$15,000 per pupil in some cases. Instead a new targeting method was adopted by the conferees that spends an additional \$126 million above the per-pupil adequacy amount for communities that are income poor and/or property poor. The targeted aid for poverty is based on the number of pupils receiving free or reduced price lunch, which is the most accurate indicator of low income in a municipality. The targeted aid for property poor towns is based on the relationship between the statewide average equalized valuation per pupil and the town's equalized valuation per pupil. The per-pupil adequacy cost will be the same in each year of the biennium but it will be increased for each new biennium based on the consumer price index. The per-pupil cost for '05 is set at \$3390, which is the same per-pupil cost used for '04. The House and Senate conferees all agree that the new funding formula adopted in their report is easier to explain and is constitutionally defensible.

Rep. Michael D. Whalley

SB 312-FN, establishing a state code of ethics.

The House and Senate conferees agreed to a new amendment. The amendment reduces from one year to six months the time in which a state official shall not appear as a paid lobbyist to promote or oppose any specific legislation pending or proposed before the general court over which that official had a personal and direct responsibility while in state government.

Rep. Michael O'Neil

SB 338-FN, relative to the purchase of prior service credit by certain political subdivision employee members.

The House and Senate conferees agreed to a new amendment allowing the towns of Bedford, Rye and Merrimack to have their town employees buy into the New Hampshire Retirement System by December, 2005. The amendment also changes the implementation section for additional contribution cut-off from July 1, 2004 to December 31, 2004.

Rep. Michael O'Neil

SB 376-FN-A, relative to pharmaceutical purchases for receiving facilities and nonprofit hospitals.

The conferees accepted the House version of the bill, adding three minor amendments. First, with respect to allowing certain rural acute care hospitals to qualify for additional federal Medicare dollars, we named the hospitals that were eligible (Androscoggin Valley and Franklin Regional) and placed a 10-bed limit on any new skilled nursing unit that either might establish. Second, with respect to the state participating in any federal "Medicaid modernization" program, we retained the requirement that legislative approval was required, but made it clear that legislative approval applied to changes in the percentage of federal-state medicaid cost sharing from the current 50%/50% level and not to changes in Medicaid programs involving dollar amounts, as these changes have been traditionally done without legislative involvement. Third, with respect to the current nursing home bed moratorium, we made it clear that it did indeed apply to new rehabilitation beds.

Rep. Neal M. Kurk

SB 382-FN-L, relative to medical service rates for state prisoners.

This piece of legislation develops a sound approach to managing medical costs within the state prison system. The legislation contains a dual approach. The first is a cap on the cost of medical services provided to inmates of no more than 110% of the allowable Medicare rate for each service. The second is a medical parole program as passed by the House. The House and Senate conferees came to an agreement on an amendment which states: "The commissioner of the department of health and human services shall enter into a memorandum of understanding with the commissioner of the department of corrections specifying the that the department of corrections shall be responsible for providing the funding necessary to meet the state's

share of all Medicaid costs for any inmate granted medical parole under this section. This section shall be repealed on June 30, 2005.” The conferees hope that by requiring the expiration of the memorandum of agreement on June 30, 2005, it will result in bringing the commissioner of health and human services and the commissioner of corrections together with a level playing field in order to negotiate with the legislature a more permanent solution for handling the Medicaid costs incurred by the state as a result of medical parole.

Rep. Larry G. Elliott

SB 421, relative to charter schools.

The Committee of Conference amendment for the most part embraces the House position. The exceptions are 1) language has been added to make it clear that a public charter school need not register with the Secretary of State until it is ready to operate and 2) the state board of education shall use reasonable discretion (House position) in assessment of the elements set forth in RSA 194-B:3,II, V(a)-(bb), and (dd). In other words the state board of education shall use its reasonable discretion in approving or denying the application and its required elements.

Rep. Mark S. Carter

SB 423, relative to confidentiality and workers’ compensation.

The House conferees agreed with the Senate version of the bill which simply adds a provision that shields the names, addresses and medical records of workers’ compensation claimants from being disclosed to law firms and others for solicitation and commercial purposes.

Rep. Phyllis L. Woods

SB 449, relative to fluoridation of municipally-owned public water systems.

The conferees agreed to add the words “whose voters directly receive” water from the city of Manchester water works department in Section 7 of the bill. This change clarifies that those municipalities that purchase water wholesale from Manchester water works department will not be entitled to vote on the question of the use of fluorides in the public water system.

Rep. Robert W. Brundige

SB 481-FN-L, establishing a sewer and other water-related purposes district for Great Bay.

After the Senate expressed concerns about unnecessary or undue delay in the commencement of any recommended project proposed by the Estuary Alliance for Sewage Treatment (EAST), all conferees recognized the need to address all environmental concerns prior to the commencement of any project. The Senate conferees then agreed to concur with the House amendment and further agreed with the House conferees to amend the House version of the bill to require EAST to “obtain approval from the legislature before constructing a regional outfall sewer pipe.”

Rep. Omer C. Ahern, Jr.

SB 490-FN, relative to the Help America Vote Act.

The Senate concurred with the House amendment. At the request of the Secretary of State and the Attorney General, the House and the Senate adopted a new amendment which exempts a non public voter list from RSA 91-A, reduced the box on the ballot after "President and Vice President" from two to one, and eliminated reference to the Supreme Court from the Manchester Ward Boundaries section.

Rep. Richard B. Drisko

SB 534-FN-A, relative to the reorganization of certain functions and duties of state agencies.

The Senate receded from its position of nonconcurrence with the House amendment, concurred with the House amendment and then both the House and Senate agreed to additional amendments. One change to the House version was the transfer of the authority over the NH Hospital Security Force from the Department of Health and Human Services to the Department of Safety. The commissioners of each department will enter into a memorandum of understanding to clearly delineate the transfer of responsibilities. Under a new provision adopted in Committee of Conference, the commissioners are also required to submit a proposal for establishing a capitol police force to the Speaker and Senate President by December 1, 2004. Additional changes included: authorizing the Commissioner of Transportation to use the design build method of contracting for buildings that are part of capital projects, clarifying the uses of interest generated on the monitoring endowment and any additional contributions to the land conservation investment program, deleting the section in the House version relative to intermediary appeals for all board decisions and replacing it with sections that allow decisions of the Plumbers’ Board and the Electricians’ Board to be appealed to the State Building Code Review Board and establish a committee to study transferring the adjudicatory functions of occupational regulatory boards to a state office of administrative adjudications.

Rep. Michael O’Neil

HOUSE BILLS

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HB 176, relative to listing candidates on ballots.

The House conferees agreed to the Senate amendment which expanded the instructions to voters and changed the effective date

to January 1, 2005. The Secretary of State's Office and the Office of the Attorney General are in agreement with these changes.

Rep. Richard B. Drisko

HB 243, relative to motor vehicle exhaust noise standards.

The conferees agreed to the House version of this bill.

Rep. Sherman A. Packard

HB 369, relative to the Henniker and Hillsborough district courts.

The House conferees agreed with the Senate to add Exeter-Hampton District Court to the bill. The Henniker-Hillsboro courts remain as they were in the House passed bill.

Rep. Henry P. Mock

HB 384, relative to financial affidavits in domestic relations cases.

When this bill came back to the House for concurrence, there were several questions about the Senate amendment. The Senate amendment added a penalty section and an exception for persons who can show by clear and convincing evidence that the public interest will be served by release of what might otherwise be considered private information. Now with more time to review the changes in the bill, the House was ready to concede to the Senate position.

Rep. John B. Hunt

HB 426, relative to the monitoring and approval of appraisers by the commissioner of revenue administration

The bill has changed dramatically since leaving the House. The House conferees agreed to the changes made in the Senate as follows: 1. provisions for the certification and decertification of assessors of taxable property by the commissioner of revenue administration and the assessing standards board; 2. requirements for certain information on abatement application forms; 3. changes in a reference to enforcement procedures applicable to discretionary preservation easements; 4. procedures by which a municipality may adopt annual appraisals of real estate; and 5. requirement that the commissioner of the department of revenue administration make reports to the fiscal committee on the status of monthly tax refunds. The Committee of Conference made two additional changes: 1. a minor change in RSA 21-J:11-a, II with reference to when the report of the review of a municipality's assessing practices is completed and 2. a minor change in the size of the municipality with respect to annual appraisals.

Rep. Eric G. Stohl

HB 551, relative to the effect of parental refusal to administer psychotropic drugs to their children and establishing a committee to study the prescription and use of psychotropic drugs, including Ritalin, in childcare centers, preschools, and public schools.

The committee unanimously agreed to amend the Senate version by reinserting the first section of the House Bill. The modification to RSA 169-C:6 (lines 4-9 of HB 551 as amended by the House) will be inserted prior to the purpose statement of the study committee. The new paragraph (VIII) of RSA 169-C:6 will be modified by the insertion of the clause "Unless otherwise ordered by the court,". The Senate changes to the study committee were accepted.

Rep. Daniel C. Itse

HB 618-FN-A, making technical corrections to certain local property tax laws.

The conferees agreed to one change in section 5 that has amended RSA 32:5, VII regarding the posting of the certified copies of the budget. The word "article" is added to the phrase "operating budget warrant article shall contain the amount as recommended by the budget committee if there is one." The addition of this word clarifies which recommended amount goes on the warrant, either the governing body or the budget committee.

Rep. Betsey L. Patten

HB 640-FN, relative to post-conviction DNA testing.

The House conferees agreed with the Senate on the removal of a redundant section of the bill. This is the only change to the House version, which was the result of a two year study.

Rep. William V. Knowles

HB 643-FN, relative to the family division of the courts.

The House version of this bill pertaining to the family division of the courts made the division in Rockingham and Grafton counties a permanent component of the Judicial Branch. The House version also established a task force to consider any recent or future studies and reports on the family division operations. The Senate version expanded the court on a statewide basis made operational by the Supreme Court. The effective date was compromised from January 1, 2005 to July 1, 2005, to follow the recommendations of the Family Division Study Committee, also established in the bill. Such report will provide the legislature "...a detailed statewide plan for the proposed implementation of the family division including restructuring of the court system as necessary to accomplish the purpose as well as any legislative recommendations." Finally, the bill gradually reduces the number of associate superior court justices from 29 to 21 by resignation or retirement. This section shall not become effective until July 1, 2005. The conference committee added an amendment to require all marital masters to be nominated by the chief justice of the Superior Court, to the governor and then confirmed by the executive council effective July 1, 2004.

Rep. Henry P. Mock

HB 651-FN, relative to the purchase of prior service credit in the retirement system, and repealing certain provisions permitting additional contributions.

The House and Senate conferees were unable to reach agreement. This subject matter is covered in SB 338.

Rep. Michael O'Neil

HB 698-FN, relative to electronic toll collection.

The difference between the House and Senate versions of this bill was in the treatment of discounts on the turnpike system tolls. The House version mandated a 20% discount when using tokens and a 40% discount when using the EZ Pass. The Senate version eliminated these discount rates and substituted criteria that the executive branch should consider when setting toll and discount rates. The Senate conferees argued that the law gives the authority for setting rates to the Governor and Executive Council. The House position was that the law is silent on the matter of who has the authority to set discount rates. The conferees agreed to give the executive branch a reasonable opportunity to look at all the costs associated with implementing and operating the EZ Pass system and to set toll and discount rates accordingly. The remainder of the bill deals with the procedures for handling violations of the EZ Pass system.

Rep. John A. Graham

HB 713-FN, relative to the penalty for violating a zoning ordinance, relative to governmental land uses, and relative to notice of zoning rehearings.

The amendment agreed upon by the conferees creates a penalty for a second zoning ordinance violation and sets the limit not to exceed \$550. The Senate removed the rest of the bill that dealt with governmental land uses procedures, the requirement that all non-governmental land uses on government owned land be subject to all land use regulations and a requirement that a notice on a motion for rehearing of a zoning decision would be mailed to the abutters. The amendment that the conferees agreed to put back into the bill deals with a repeal of an annual requirement that assessing officials file with the registrar of deeds a list of all residential properties located in an industrial or commercial zone.

Rep. Robert W. Brundige

HB 727-FN-L, establishing a legislative oversight committee for the school administrative unit system.

The House acceded to the Senate amendment which creates a school choice study bill on the following basis: 1. The House version of HB 727 which creates an SAU committee is contained in another bill (HB 1281). 2. The school choice study committee in this bill will keep the discussion of school choice options open in the Senate as well as the House. 3. The final reporting date was moved beyond the normal November 1 date in order to provide an additional period to complete the study.

Rep. John R.M. Alger

HB 1148, defining a wetland for the purpose of fill and dredge in wetlands and for local land use planning.

The conferees agreed with the Senate version of the bill with the exception of one section relative to the Smith Pond dam in Enfield. That section which was added by the Senate was revised and rewritten by the conferees and the amendment was then adopted. The agreed upon compromise will allow the Department of Environmental Services to accept private funds to repair dikes on the pond which are located in the Fish and Game Departments Wildlife Management Unit. Two other new sections of the bill added by the Senate specify how appeals may be made to the Wetlands Council and also exempts trails for snow travelling vehicles from site plan review.

Rep. David M. Lawton

HB 1162, relative to school district policies on bullying.

The amendment recommended by the Conference Committee essentially restores the original House position. Some important clarifying language has been added in regard to intent. The only material change from the House position allows a principal to obtain a waiver from the bullying notification provision if the school district superintendent deems in writing that in the best interest of a child the notification should not be made.

Rep. Mark S. Carter

HB 1165, relative to extending domestic violence protection orders.

The House conferees agreed with the Senate on the amendment to extensions of domestic violence protection orders. If the defendant wants to know the reason for granting the extension, he or she may request that information from the court and they shall reply in writing. The House and Senate conferees agreed to eliminate section 2 which had been added by the Senate.

Rep. William V. Knowles

HB 1262, establishing a commission to study ways to encourage municipal recycling efforts.

This bill started in the House as simply "establishing a commission to study ways to encourage municipal recycling efforts." The Senate amendment included changes to the tax exemptions for water and air pollution control facilities. The House conferees felt that such far-reaching changes should be studied more thoroughly and also have a hearing in the House. All conferees agreed on expanding the duties of the above-mentioned commission to address these concerns.

Rep. J. Lisbeth Olimpio

HB 1276-FN, relative to special number plates for veterans and establishing a committee to study establishing special number plates for veterans who were awarded the Bronze Star or Silver Star.

The House conferees agreed with the Senate provisions regarding membership on the study committee and the authorization to

the Department of Safety for design and sale of commemorative license plates. The Committee of Conference set the electronic automobile registration fee at \$5, a change from the 2% fee in the Senate version.

Rep. Sherman A. Packard

HB 1281, permitting the adoption of an alternative cost apportionment method in a cooperative school district.

The Senate amendment changed “adequate” to “state education grant”; added language identifying the article as ‘an alternative method of apportioning operating costs’, ‘majority of voters present and voting’ and ‘The clerk of the district will send a copy of the warrant to the state board of education’. The Senate amendment also established a school administrative unit legislative oversight committee and adds a requirement that the state department of education notify municipalities of their estimated grant for the following school year by November 1. The conference committee amendment adds clarifying language ‘voting on the question’ and changes the date to notify municipalities to November 15, effective July 1, 2005.

Rep. Norman L. Major

HB 1282, authorizing the commissioner of insurance and the commissioner of banking to order the payment of restitution to individuals harmed by unfair or deceptive practices of licensees.

The Senate amendment did not make all the agreed upon changes that needed to be corrected in the Committee of Conference. The first change was to the banking section of the bill, which was a clarification of the notification requirement between the Banking department and the Attorney General in the case of a criminal violation. The second change was to the insurance part of the bill. The House amendment had similar language in two different sections of the law. The Senate amendment was only in one section so that version removed a section of the bill that was no longer needed. The Committee of Conference report also includes another correction to SB 371, which had a problem with the effective date.

Rep. John B. Hunt

HB 1293, relative to emission control equipment for certain vehicles.

This bill modifies the exemptions from emission control equipment requirements for motor vehicles and also limits certain insurance practices relating to automobile rentals. The content of the bill as passed by the House was maintained in the Senate, but an amendment was added relating to a different issue – unfair practices regarding insurance providers requiring people to use certain rental car companies. That portion of the bill was revised by the conferees. The original bill passed by the House remains intact.

Rep. John H. Thomas

HB 1295, relative to certain court records.

The House and Senate agreed on the main purpose of the bill. The conferees agreed to an amendment to the Senate version of the bill which clarified a provision of the right-to-know law dealing with “work product.”

Rep. Harry M. Haytayan, Jr.

HB 1296, establishing a committee to study the authority to inspect food by the department of health and human services and the department of agriculture, markets and food.

The hours that occasional food service operators are to be open without having to be licensed have been adjusted. This was a compromise from both House and Senate positions.

Rep. J. Lisbeth Olimpio

HB 1326, establishing a study committee to examine the classification of consumer and display fireworks.

The original HB 1326 was lost in the Senate amendment. The Committee of Conference has added the original House language to the bill. A new provision eliminates an administrative rule that requires a \$50,000 cash bond to obtain a license for retail sales of approved fireworks. The effective date is changed to allow licensing of indoor pyrotechnic display operators to become effective on passage.

Rep. David A. Welch

HB 1348-FN, relative to registration of business organizations.

The Senate had two problems with this bill. The first problem was to make sure that when someone is creating a corporation, limited liability company or other entity on line that they are able to have it formed at a future date, which is currently available when using the paper form. This had been everyone's intention but the bill failed to apply this to all types of incorporations. The second problem was a policy debate. The Senate had a 2% fee in the bill to cover the added cost to the state to pay the processing fee for credit cards. The House position was that the bill already included several fee changes, and the Deputy Secretary of State felt confident that the other fee changes were adequate to cover the fiscal impact of credit card processing fees. The compromise is that there will be a flat \$2 handling charge for online users, which will sunset after four years.

Rep. John B. Hunt

HB 1367, permitting the parents or legal guardians of a sexual assault victim to remain with the victim during the legal proceedings.

The House conferees and the Senate conferees agreed to disagree.

Rep. William V. Knowles

HB 1380-FN, relative to unauthorized video surveillance.

The Conference Committee agreed to amend the Senate version of the bill to include images as well as sounds and to separate section III of the current law to protect law enforcement in the course of an investigation. The change also makes the bill effective on passage.

Rep. John E. Tholl, Jr.

HB 1401-FN, limiting the use of traffic signal preemptive devices.

The Senate version clarified the original House Bill. One Senate amendment gave landowners permission for OHRV operation and loading and unloading of OHRVs on highways (SB 343) which was killed in the House. The Senate amendment created a commission to study ways to fund future railroad construction. It also authorized the Department of Transportation to spend up to \$100,000 for phase II of a feasibility study among Vermont, Massachusetts and New Hampshire on high-speed rail between Boston and Montreal. The House conferees agreed with the Senate version. The Committee of Conference lowered from 100K to 85K the DOT feasibility study funding.

Rep. Sherman A. Packard

HB 1408-FN, relative to reporting requirements for certain nonprofit organization, including health care charitable trusts.

The House position was that the Senate amendment was unnecessary since endowment funds are already included in a non-profits balance sheet. The Senate was concerned with the potential burden the legislation may have on small non-profits to pay for an audit. The compromise was to require non-profits whose revenue exceeds \$500,000 to file a financial statement prepared in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles. Any non-profit whose revenue exceeds \$1,000,000, however, will have to file an audited statement.

Rep. John B. Hunt

HB 1411-FN-A, establishing a committee to study funding sources for the state laboratories and extending the appropriation to the department of corrections for the prison automation system.

The Senate amendment added a fee schedule that the House felt should not be added until after completion of the study called for in the bill. The committee established by the bill will make recommendations to the commissioners of any state agencies having laboratories serving the public. The Commissioner of the Department of Environmental Services will adopt rules under RSA 541-A setting a fee schedule in accordance with the recommendations of the study committee if any charges are proposed.

Rep. Edwin O. Smith

HB 1428, relative to the administration of the medical assistance program for home care for children with severe disabilities and establishing a commission to review the medical assistance program for home care for children with severe disabilities.

The Conference Committee agreed to retain the House version of the bill with some Senate changes concerning federal eligibility and raising the age for optional state coverage from 18 to 19. The conferees removed the section relating to small group premium increases which had appeared in the Senate version of the bill.

Rep. Rogers J. Johnson

HB 2004-FN-L, relative to the state 10-year transportation improvement plan and making certain adjustments to turnpike funds.

The Senate amendments included federal highway grant anticipation bond authority for financing construction projects. SB 413, as amended by the House, addresses this issue so it was removed here. A provision regarding actions relative to state construction projects were added by the Senate. The conferees crafted language that was acceptable to the House and also Senate conferees. The language adopted lets the court determine which actions, if any, cause substantial delay to a state road project. This amendment is substantially different from a prior bill because it only applies to action on state road projects instead of all state construction projects and it requires the court to find substantial delay which was not included in the prior bill. The remainder of HB 2004 is unchanged from the House position.

Rep. Edwin O. Smith

CONFERENCE BILLS NOT SIGNED OFF

HB 1227, relative to land assessed for current use which is taken by eminent domain.

HB 1335-L, establishing a commission to examine the worker's compensation system in New Hampshire.

HB 1413, relative to the creation of mandatory panels for medical injury claims and to the testimony of expert witnesses and establishing a committee to study medical malpractice insurance rates and mandatory panels for medical injury claims.

SB 61, relative to collective bargaining units at charter schools and charter conversion schools, and relative to leaves of absence for teachers to accept employment at a charter school.

SB 199, revising the nurse practice act.

SB 434, relative to importing prescription drugs from Canada.

NOTICE LEGISLATIVE ETHICS COMMITTEE

Proposed Amendments to Ethics Guidelines

At its meeting on May 20, 2004, the Committee unanimously voted to amend Ethics Guidelines Sections 3 and 4, subject to approval by the General Court in accordance with RSA 14-B:3, II. The amendments, in their entirety, are printed below.

Representative Shawn N. Jasper, Chairman

ETHICS GUIDELINES

3 LEGISLATOR'S FINANCIAL DISCLOSURE FORM.

Amend the introductory paragraph to read as follows:

Every representative, [~~representative-elect,~~] senator, [~~senator-elect,~~] and officer of the House and Senate, shall file with the [~~Secretary of State~~] **Legislative Ethics Committee** the following financial disclosure form on or before January 31 of each year.

Amend the last paragraph to read as follows:

Complete and return to the [~~Office of Secretary of State~~] **Legislative Ethics Committee** no later than January 31, _____

ETHICS GUIDELINES

4 PROHIBITED ACTIVITIES.

I. Legislators shall not solicit, accept, or agree to accept anything of value from another for themselves or other persons, if the legislator receives such thing of value:

- (a) Knowing or believing the other's purpose to be the influencing of an action, decision, opinion, recommendation, or other official activity.
- (b) Knowing or believing that the giver is or is likely to become subject to or interested in any matter or action pending before or contemplated by the giver or another member of the legislature.
- (c) In return for advice or other assistance relating to a legislator's official activities.
- (d) In return for introducing legislation, testifying before any legislative committee or state agency, voting in committee or in House or Senate session, or otherwise participating in, influencing, or attempting to influence any decision of the legislature, county delegation or any state agency.
- (e) In return for an endorsement, nomination, appointment, approval or disapproval of any person for a position as, or advancement of, a public servant.
- (f) In return for having given a decision, opinion, recommendation, nomination, vote, or other official activity.

II. [~~In dealing with state agencies,~~] /**I**/ Legislators shall not:

- (a) [~~Provide~~] **Reveal** information [~~about a state agency~~] which the legislator has obtained confidentially in the course of his official activities.
- (b) Reveal information about state agency operations or decisions which the legislator would not reveal to any member of the general public requesting such information.
- (c) Threaten [~~a state agency or its employees with~~] reprisals or promise[~~d~~] inducements of any kind to influence [~~agency decisions~~] **another** so as to obtain special personal benefits for the legislator, the legislator's immediate family, or for certain constituents which would not be available to others under similar conditions.
- (d) Conduct private negotiations with [~~a state~~] **any governmental** agency in an attempt to obtain a decision on a pending matter which would result in special personal benefit to the legislator, to the legislator's immediate family, or to certain

constituents which would not be available to others under similar conditions.

III. Legislators shall not use their public position or office to obtain anything of value for the private benefit of the legislator or the legislator's immediate family.

VI. Legislators shall not engage in conduct that constitutes sexual harassment as defined in RSA 14-B:1.

~~[V+]~~ VII.

GOVERNOR'S VETO MESSAGE ON HB 503

April 26th, 2004

To the Honorable Members of the General Court:

By the authority vested in me as Governor of New Hampshire, pursuant to Part II, Article 44 of the Constitution of New Hampshire, I have vetoed House Bill 503, an Act relative to septic system construction permits.

HB 503 requires municipalities to provide, or assure access to, Department of Environmental Services approved septage storage facilities for residents. While I agree providing for the proper disposal of domestic septage at New Hampshire facilities is becoming increasingly difficult for septage haulers serving residents who continue to rely on septic systems, I do not believe HB 503 is the proper solution.

HB 503 can have unintended consequences which must be considered. The bill prohibits the NH Department of Environmental Services from issuing any new septic system construction permit until a municipality is in compliance with the law. The legislative purpose outlined in the bill states "The act is intended to...further restrict development that generates additional sewage...". Almost all development generates additional sewage, therefore a municipality could use HB 503 as a tool to limit growth and encourage "snob" zoning. Simply by not complying with the provisions of HB 503 a municipality could prevent any new construction, and place the blame on the State.

In addition, the reference to "a department approved alternative option for its residents" will lead to uncertainty and may provide a loophole for municipalities to circumvent the legislature's intent.

The State should be looking at financial incentives and disincentives to encourage municipalities and property owners to address the growing concerns of septage storage. Prohibiting new construction will not only limit the State's economic potential, but could limit individual's property rights.

For these reasons I have vetoed HB 503.

Respectfully submitted,
Craig R. Benson
Governor

GOVERNOR'S VETO MESSAGE ON HB 520

May 17th, 2004

To the Honorable Members of the General Court:

By the authority vested in me as Governor of New Hampshire, pursuant to Part II, Article 44 of the Constitution of New Hampshire, I have vetoed House Bill 520, an Act relative to maintaining records of greyhounds used in pari-mutuel racing.

HB 520 requires the pari-mutuel commission to maintain statistics and records regarding the disposition of all racing greyhounds and health records of greyhounds.

The pari-mutuel commission has stated this bill will increase state expenditures. We simply cannot afford new spending at this time. In addition, many supporters of the bill seek to put an end to greyhound racing in New Hampshire. We should be

concerned about the potential loss of jobs associated with the closing down of the state’s greyhound industry.

The bill creates a penalty of a Class A misdemeanor, punishable with up to a year in prison, for falsifying a disposition form or failing to record an injury more than once. This penalty applies to the smallest of injuries that may not even be related to racing activities. The penalty provisions in this bill are simply unfair.

The racing industry is subject to enough regulation as it is. Each greyhound track in NH is currently required to have a licensed state veterinarian on duty, and the New Hampshire Dept. of Agriculture inspects facilities. The commission recently adopted new racing rules and regulations that will help ensure the safety of animals.

Finally, I recently created, by executive order, the Humane Treatment of Animals task force to examine issues related to animal abuse, including greyhounds, in New Hampshire.

For these reasons I have vetoed HB 520.

Respectfully submitted,
Craig R. Benson
Governor

GOVERNOR’S VETO MESSAGE ON HB 1134

May 10th, 2004

To the Honorable Members of the General Court:

By the authority vested in me as Governor of New Hampshire, pursuant to Part II, Article 44 of the Constitution of New Hampshire, I have vetoed House Bill 1134, an Act relative to the appointment of the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court.

HB 1134 limits the term of the chief justice to 5 years. It also returns the nomination and appointment of the chief justice to the governor and council.

On April 28th, 2004 the New Hampshire Supreme Court found that RSA 490:1 violates the New Hampshire Constitution. The court noted that the statute violated the separation of powers doctrine. They ruled the chief justice position is a discrete judicial office and as such is subject to the constitutional provisions for executive nomination and appointment. In addition, the court ruled that to limit the term of a chief justice divests the chief justice of the constitutional right to lifetime tenure (subject to the age limitations set forth in Part II, Article 78). The legislature may not, by statute, alter the tenure or appointment of the chief justice.

The court decision renders HB 1134 moot. The only available action to the legislature is a constitutional amendment.

For these reasons I have vetoed HB 1134.

Respectfully submitted,
Craig R. Benson
Governor

HOUSE DEADLINES

Thursday, February 5, 2004	Last day to act on retained House and Senate bills and supplemental House bills going to a second committee.
Thursday, March 11, 2004	Last day to report all remaining retained bills and supplemental House bills.
Thursday, March 18, 2004	CROSSOVER. Last day to act on all remaining retained bills and supplemental House bills.
Thursday, April 29, 2004	Last day to report Senate bills.
Thursday, May 6, 2004	Last day to act on Senate bills.
Thursday, May 13, 2004	Last day to form committees of conference.

Wednesday, May 19, 2004

Last day to sign-off committee of conference reports.

Wednesday, May 26, 2004

Last day to act on committee of conference reports.

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HB 220, creating a committee to study amending the constitution to require that government decisions affecting the environment reflect consideration of the welfare of future generations. (Pending question is ought to pass)

HB 359, establishing a procedure for apportioning state senate and representative districts. (Pending question is inexpedient to legislate.)

HB 760-FN-A, establishing the New Hampshire healthy families trust fund, increasing the tobacco tax, and making an appropriation therefor. (Pending question is on the adoption of the majority committee report of inexpedient to legislate.)

HB 1425, relative to food safety in restaurants. (Pending question is the adoption of the committee amendment.)

SB 390, relative to liability of third person under workers' compensation. (Pending question is Ought To Pass)

COMMITTEE MEETINGS

MONDAY, MAY 24

CHILDREN AND FAMILY LAW, Room 206, LOB

9:00 a.m. Informational meeting with Nancy Rollins, Director, Division for Children, Youth and Families.

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

9:00 a.m. Regular meeting.

THURSDAY, MAY 27

ASSESSING STANDARDS BOARD (RSA 21-J:14-a), New Hampshire Department of Revenue Administration, Training Room, Community Services Division.

9:30 a.m. Regular meeting.

ENVIRONMENT AND AGRICULTURE, Room 303, LOB

10:00 a.m. Ad hoc committee on pesticides and herbicides.

FRIDAY, MAY 28

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT SYSTEM OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE (RSA 21-P:51), Room 205, LOB

1:00 p.m. Regular meeting.

TUESDAY, JUNE 1

SETBACK REQUIREMENTS FOR SEPTAGE, BIOSOLIDS AND SHORT PAPER FIBERS STUDY (SB 87, Chapter 302:1, Laws of 2003), Room 303, LOB

9:00 a.m. Regular meeting.

STATE VETERANS' ADVISORY COMMITTEE (RSA 115-A:2), American Legion Post 79, Manchester

5:00 p.m. Regular meeting.

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 2

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

10:00 a.m. Ad hoc committee on medical errors and resident hours.

WATER RESOURCES STUDY COMMITTEE RSA (481:1-b), Room 103, State House

10:00 a.m. Regular meeting.

THURSDAY, JUNE 3

CRIMINAL JUSTICE AND PUBLIC SAFETY, Fire Academy, Sheep Davis Road, Concord

7:00 p.m. Meeting with Fire Standards and Training Commission.

FRIDAY, JUNE 4

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

9:00 a.m. Continued regular meeting.

COMMISSION TO STUDY THE RIGHT-TO-KNOW LAW (HB 606, Chapter 287:3, Laws of 2003), Room 304, LOB

10:00 a.m. Regular meeting.

FINANCIAL EXPLOITATION OF THE ELDERLY AND PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES (HB 461, Chapter 227:2, Laws of 2003), Room 205, LOB

1:00 p.m. Regular meeting.

MONDAY, JUNE 7

COMMISSION ON THE EDUCATION OF THE DEAF (HB 1283, Chapter 43:2, Laws of 2000), Room 103, State House

10:00 a.m. Subcommittee meeting.

SETBACK REQUIREMENTS FOR SEPTAGE, BIOSOLIDS AND SHORT PAPER FIBERS STUDY (SB 87, Chapter 302:1, Laws of 2003), Room 303, LOB

9:00 a.m. Regular meeting.

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

1:00 p.m. Regular meeting.

TUESDAY, JUNE 8

COMMISSION TO STUDY CHILD SUPPORT AND RELATED CHILD CUSTODY ISSUES (HB 310, Chapter 277:1, Laws of 2003), Room 206, LOB

3:00 p.m. Regular meeting.

FRIDAY, JUNE 11

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

2:00 p.m. Regular meeting.

MONDAY, JUNE 14

BOARD OF MANUFACTURED HOUSING (RSA 205-A:25), Room 203, LOB

10:00 a.m. Subcommittee work session on Rules.

TUESDAY, JUNE 15

PERFORMANCE AUDIT AND OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE (RSA 17-N:1), Room 103, State House

10:00 a.m. Regular meeting.

FRIDAY, JUNE 18

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

9:00 a.m. Regular meeting.

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

1:00 p.m. Complaint hearing.

COMMISSION TO STUDY THE RIGHT-TO-KNOW LAW (HB 606, Chapter 287:3, Laws of 2003), Room 304, LOB

10:00 a.m. Regular meeting.

MONDAY, JUNE 21

COMMISSION ON THE EDUCATION OF THE DEAF (HB 1283, Chapter 43:2, Laws of 2000), Room 103, State House

10:00 a.m. Regular meeting.

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 23

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

2:00 p.m. Regular meeting.

MONDAY, JUNE 28

BRAIN AND SPINAL CORD INJURY ADVISORY COUNCIL (RSA 137-K:2), Room 105A, State House

2:00 p.m. Regular meeting.

OFFICIAL NOTICES

COUNTY DELEGATION NOTICE

Belknap County Delegation will meet on Monday, **May 24** at 7:00 p.m. at the Belknap County Complex.

Rep. John H. Thomas, Vice Chairman

Belknap County Delegation

COUNTY DELEGATION NOTICE

The **Hillsborough County Delegation** will meet in convention immediately following the legislative session on Tuesday, **May 25** in Representatives Hall for the following purpose: 1. Consistent with RSA 23:7 Establishing Compensation for Elected Officials. 2. Consistent with RSA 24:2 the Election of Clerk for Hillsborough County Convention. 3. And any other business to come before the Delegation.

Rep. J. Gail Barry, Chairman

Hillsborough County Delegation

COUNTY DELEGATION NOTICE

The **Executive Committee of Merrimack County Delegation** will meet on Thursday, **May 27** beginning at 9:00 a.m. in the lower level conference room of the County Administration Building, 4 Court Street, Concord to vote on the recommendation for salaries of the Merrimack County Elected Officials and to review and approve the First Quarter Financial Report and any other business.

Rep. Roy D. Maxfield, Chairman

Merrimack County Executive Committee

COUNTY DELEGATION NOTICE

The **Merrimack County Delegation** will meet on Thursday, **May 27** beginning at 10:00 a.m. in the lower level conference room of the County Administration Building, 4 Court Street, Concord to act on the Elected Officials Salaries, act on supplemental appropriation, act on the sale of real property in Boscawen, update on the jail and nursing home projects and any other business.

Rep. William E. Leber, Chairman

Merrimack County Delegation

COUNTY DELEGATION NOTICE

County Conversations in **Rockingham County** with UNH President, Ann Weaver Hart to talk about UNH engagement with Rockingham County communities on **May 24** from 4:00 to 6:15 p.m. at the Rockingham County Nursing Home Atrium, Brentwood. Welcome and program presentations is at 4:00 p.m. followed by dinner at 6:15 p.m. RSVP by May 19 to Cheryl Hurley, Delegation Coordinator at 679-9369.

Rep. David A. Welch, Clerk

Rockingham County Delegation

NOTICE

Last Call

Anyone who was a member of the House or Senate during the 2001 and/or 2002 Sessions and has not already done so is encouraged to pick up a complimentary copy of the House Permanent Journal. The House Clerk's Office still has many copies available from 2001 and more from 2002. These are hardbound volumes and have been indexed for easy reference.

Agencies that have not received one are also encouraged to pick one up. One copy is complimentary to each state agency.

Copies will be available until supplies run out, or **June 4, 2004**. Please contact the House Clerk's Office to obtain your copy.

Eric W. Fowler, Assistant 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, June 7 at 6:00 p.m.

Karen O. Wadsworth, Clerk of the House

REVISED FISCAL NOTES

The following HBs have revised fiscal notes: HBs 65, 85, 176, 243, 258, 369, 440, 444, 511, 516, 520, 612, 618, 620, 622, 640, 643, 645, 651, 652, 656, 698, 712, 713, 727, 729, 730, 781, 803, 1136, 1148, 1153, 1162, 1188, 1202, 1207, 1213, 1225, 1241, 1254, 1248, 1251, 1276, 1290, 1308, 1311, 1317, 1325, 1339, 1344, 1345, 1348, 1352, 1353, 1365, 1378, 1380, 1387, 1388,1399, 1401, 1411, 1413, 1416, 1418, 1421, 1423, 1424, 1426, 1428 and 2004. SBs 126, 205, 303, 312, 329, 338, 348, 361, 367, 376, 383, 401, 407, 411, 419, 429, 430, 433, 442, 448, 450, 463, 478, 494, 498, 500, 503, 505, 509, 510, 525, 532 and 534.

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.

Joseph D. Harris, 43 Ridge Avenue, Claremont, New Hampshire 03743-3166.
Benjamin E. Moore, 81 Railroad Avenue, Apt. 307, Seabrook, New Hampshire 03874-4273.
Colleagues who so desire may send cards and greetings to the address listed above.

Members, staff and friends of Representative Sandy Harris may bring cards and notes of good wishes to the Speaker’s office where they will be collected for delivery to her.

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 views 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 report that are received in the Speaker’s office and available for viewing.
Reports most recently received include:

NH Veterans Advisory Committee Biannual Report, May 2004
Gene G. Chandler, Speaker

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

The Main Street Republican Caucus will meet on Thursdays at 8:15 a.m. at the Upham Walker House, Park Street. Members are invited to attend.

Rep. Paul D. Spiess

The Nashua Delegation will meet on Tuesday, **May 25** at 8:30 a.m. in Room 100 of the State House to discuss the School Funding plan amendment.

Rep. Nelson S. Allan

All members are invited to participate in the City of Concord Memorial Day Parade on Monday, **May 31**. Interested members should gather at 8:30 a.m. in the Ames parking lot on Storrs Street. Parade marshals will be on hand to direct you. If you have any questions, please contact Micheal Geary, President of the Concord Veterans Council at 225-0876. In case of rain, a ceremony will be held in the Hall of Flags at 9:00 a.m.

Gene G. Chandler, Speaker

The Legislative Caucus for Young Children (LCYC) will meet Wednesday, **June 9** at 10:00 a.m. in Room 206, LOB. Senator Richard Green will discuss the change process as it relates to future planning. All members of the House and Senate are welcome.

Rep. Deanna S. Rollo

Strafford County Delegation: Come join your NRA members and supporters for a fun filled evening the whole family will enjoy, at the 7th Annual Seacoast Friends of NRA Banquet and Auction on Saturday, **June 12th** at 5:00 p.m. at the American Legion Post 7, Rochester. Prime rib or lobster stuffed chicken will be served for \$35 per person. See Rep. Cataldo for tickets.

Rep. Sam Cataldo

The Department of Transportation will hold the following meeting:

June 2 – Ossipee Town Hall, 55 Main Street, Ossipee, 7:00 p.m. Public officials/public informational meeting, Ossipee-Effingham, pavement overlay, upgrading existing guardrail and bridge deck replacement along NH 25 from NH 16/NH 25 interchange east 6.4 miles to the NH 25/School Street intersection.

June 9 – Conway Police Department 39 East Conway Road, Conway, 7:00 p.m. Public officials/public informational meeting, Conway, widening of River Road, provide 4' shoulders for bikes, road surface rehab/drainage improvements 500 feet west of intersection Route 16 approximately 1.5 miles west to intersection of River and West Side Road.

June 10 – Londonderry High School, Room 221, 295 Mammoth Road, Londonderry, 7:00 p.m. Public hearing (Commission), Londonderry, alterations to NH Route 128.

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 **MAY 2004**. 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 full for the remainder of the year.** Thank you for your continued participation with your School Visitation Program.

Kenneth Leidner, Director

DATE	TIME	GROUP	CLASS/Size
5-24-04	10:00 & 11:00 SH & ?	Lincoln-Akerman School – Hampton	3&4/45
5-24-04	11:00	Acworth School	4/8
5-24-04	10:00	Russell School – Rumney	4/20
5-25-04	9:30 & 11:00 SH/HM	St. Anthony's School – Manchester	4/50
5-25-04	10:45	Charlestown Primary School Rescheduled From March 17	4/46
5-26-04	10:30 & 12:00 SH/FG	Enfield Village School	4/40
5-26-04	9:00	Fall Mountain High-Langdon	HS/40
5-26-04	10:30	The Well School - Peterborough	4/11
5-27-04	9:00	Andover Elementary	4/34

5-27-04	10:30	Mtn.Shadows School – Dublin	6/8
5-27-04	10:30 & 12:00 SH/FG	Enfield Village School	4/40
5-28-04	9:30 & 11:00 SH/HM	Gossler Park School – Manchester	4/75
5-28-04	12:30	Bethlehem Elementary School	4/22

NOTICE

The House Clerk's Office is now accepting orders for both the 2003 and 2004 hardcover Permanent House Journals. The 2003 Journal is being readied for the printer. Work on the 2004 Journal will begin once the session has been adjourned.

Upon request, members of the Legislature for the year in question, and all state agencies are entitled to one Journal at no charge. There will be a charge for additional copies ordered by legislators and agencies, as well as any others who would like a copy. We estimate this cost to be approximately \$50 each, plus any applicable mailing expenses. Those who order paid copies will be notified *and billed* when the Journals are ready for distribution. **DO NOT** send any money now.

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