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HOUSE CALENDAR

NOTICE

Weekly publication of the House Calendar has resumed. **Please note the Calendar will close on Wednesday throughout September and October.** Members and staff who need to schedule meetings should make arrangements with the Clerk’s Office for room availability/assignment and publication of meeting notices.

CLOSES NOON WEDNESDAY TO BE MAILED THURSDAY

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Karen O. Wadsworth, Clerk of the House

HOUSE DEADLINES

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.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 17

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

9:30 a.m. Regular meeting.

EQUALIZATION STANDARDS BOARD (RSA 21-J:14-c), Department of Revenue Administration, Training Room, Community Services Division

9:30 a.m. Regular meeting.

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

2:00 p.m. Regular meeting.

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 20

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

9:00 a.m. Rescheduled regular meeting.

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 21

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

9:30 a.m. Regular meeting.

COMMITTEE TO STUDY PROPERTY TAX RELIEF (HB 1370, Chapter 88:1, Laws of 2004), Room 301, LOB

9:00 a.m. Rescheduled regular meeting.

COMMITTEE TO STUDY THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A FARM VIABILITY PROGRAM (SB 519, Chapter 24:1, Laws of 2004), Room 102, LOB

9:00 a.m. Regular meeting.

J&F Farms, 124 Chester Road, Derry

6:00 p.m. Regular meeting

LEGISLATOR ORIENTATION (RSA 17-C:2), Room 100, State House

1:00 p.m. Regular meeting.

LONG-TERM CARE REIMBURSEMENT COMMISSION, (SB 376, Chapter 260:22, Laws of 2004), Rooms 302-304, LOB

10:00 a.m. Regular meeting.

WAYS AND MEANS, Room 202, LOB

1:00 p.m. Interim study subcommittee work session on *HB 1402-FN-A*, requiring a discount to wholesalers on cash purchases of tobacco tax stamps.

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 22

COMMISSION TO STUDY THE MEDICAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM FOR HOME CARE FOR CHILDREN WITH SEVERE DISABILITIES, (HB 1428, Chapter 251:5, Laws of 2004), Room 100, State House

1:00 p.m. Regular meeting.

COMMITTEE TO STUDY COST OF PROVIDING WORKERS' COMPENSATION BENEFITS FOR FIREFIGHTERS, RESCUE WORKERS AND SAFETY WORKERS WHO CONTRACT CERTAIN COMMUNICABLE DISEASES (HB 730, Chapter 128:1, Laws of 2004), Room 306, LOB

10:00 a.m. Regular meeting.

COMMITTEE TO STUDY EXOTIC AQUATIC WEEDS AND SPECIES (RSA 487:30), Room 308, LOB

10:00 a.m. Regular meeting.

COMMITTEE TO STUDY HOW TO IMPROVE THE PROCESSES OF THE JOINT LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE ON ADMINISTRATIVE RULES (HB 230, Chapter 180:1, Laws of 2004), Room 301, LOB

9:30 a.m. Regular meeting.

COMMITTEE TO STUDY IMPROVING DATA COLLECTION AND SERVICE DELIVERY FOR HOME AND COMMUNITY-BASED LONG TERM SERVICES (HB 712, Chapter 44:1, Laws of 2004), Room 100, State House

10:00 a.m. Regular meeting.

COMMITTEE TO STUDY THE EFFECTS OF ELECTRIC UTILITY RESTRUCTURING ON STATE OWNED DAMS(SB 488, Chapter 121:1, Laws of 2004), Room 305, LOB

9:00 a.m. Regular meeting.

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

1:00 p.m. Regular meeting.

ENERGY PLANNING ADVISORY BOARD (SB 443, Chapter 164:2, Laws of 2004), Room 304, LOB

11:00 a.m. Organizational meeting.

HISTORICAL COMMITTEE (RSA 17-I), Room 208, LOB

11:00 a.m. Regular meeting.

IMPLEMENTING A RECOMMENDATION OF THE NEW HAMPSHIRE ESTUARIES PROJECT MANAGEMENT PLAN (SB 70, Chapter 236:1, Laws of 2003), Hampton Town Hall, Selectmen’s Meeting Room

1:30 p.m. Regular meeting.

PUBLIC HIGHER EDUCATION STUDY COMMITTEE (RSA 187-A:25-a), Room 206, LOB (Please note room change.)

10:00 a.m. Regular meeting.

SPECIAL NUMBER PLATES FOR VETERANS WHO WERE AWARDED THE BRONZE STAR OR THE SILVER STAR STUDY COMMITTEE (HB 1276, Chapter 209:2, Laws of 2004), Room 303, LOB

9:00 a.m. Organizational meeting.

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 23

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.

COMMISSION TO STUDY THE CREATION OF AN INTEGRATED CRIMINAL JUSTICE INFORMATION SYSTEM (HB 64, Chapter 24:2, Laws of 2003), Room 306, LOB

1:00 p.m. Regular meeting.

COMMISSION TO STUDY TRANSFERRING THE DIVISION OF PUBLIC WORKS FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION TO A NEW BUREAU OF PUBLIC WORKS IN THE DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES (SB 534, Chapter 257:32, Laws of 2004), Room 209, LOB

9:30 a.m. Regular meeting.

COMMISSION TO STUDY WAYS TO ENCOURAGE MUNICIPAL RECYCLING EFFORTS AND TO STUDY THE TAX EXEMPTION FOR WATER AND AIR POLLUTION CONTROL FACILITIES UNDER RSA 72:12-a (HB 1262, Chapter 208:1, Laws of 2004), Room 301, LOB

9:00 a.m. Regular meeting.

COMMITTEE TO STUDY THE CLASSIFICATION OF CONSUMER AND DISPLAY FIREWORKS (HB 1326, Chapter 247:6, Laws of 2004), Room 206, LOB (Please note room change)

10:00 a.m. Regular meeting.

COMMITTEE TO STUDY TRANSFERRING THE ADJUDICATORY FUNCTIONS OF OCCUPATIONAL REGULATORY BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS TO AN OFFICE OF ADMINISTRATIVE ADJUDICATIONS (SB 534, Chapter 257:58, Laws of 2004), Room 100, State House

9:00 a.m. Regular meeting.

DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE ADMINISTRATION REORGANIZATION STUDY COMMITTEE, (SB 534, Chapter 257:27, Laws of 2004), Department of Revenue Administration, 45 Chenell Drive, Concord

1:00 p.m. Regular meeting.

ENVIRONMENT AND AGRICULTURE, Room 303, LOB

9:00 a.m. Interim study subcommittee work session on *HB 1229*, establishing a commission to study bioaccumulative toxic chemicals.

STATE TRANSPORTATION PLAN FUNDING COMMITTEE STUDY (HB 2004, Chapter 262:3, Laws of 2004), Room 307, LOB

1:00 p.m. Regular meeting.

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

1:00 p.m. Regular meeting.

WAYS AND MEANS, Room 208, LOB

10:00 a.m. Interim study subcommittee work session on *HB 1387-FN-A*, reducing the rate of the business enterprise tax and *HB 1388-FN-A*, reducing the rate of the business profits tax.

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 24

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.

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

2:00 p.m. Regular meeting.

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 27

COMMISSION TO STUDY THE RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN PUBLIC HEALTH AND THE ENVIRONMENT (HB 1390, Chapter 114:2, Laws of 2000), Room 206, LOB

9:30 a.m. Regular meeting.

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

9:00 a.m. Regular meeting.

PERMISSIBLE FIREWORKS REVIEW COMMITTEE (RSA 160-C:13), Richard Flynn Fire Academy, 222 Sheep Davis Road (NH Route 106), Concord

9:00 a.m. Regular meeting. (Rain date Tuesday, September 28.)

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 28

RESOURCES, RECREATION AND DEVELOPMENT, Room 305, LOB

10:00 a.m. Interim study subcommittee work session on *SB 525-FN-A*, relative to land and community heritage investment program administration.

SCIENCE, TECHNOLOGY AND ENERGY, Room 304, LOB

10:00 a.m. Interim study subcommittee work session on *HB 1390*, relative to MTBE and *HB 1421-FN*, relative to solid waste incineration.

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 29

CHARTER SCHOOLS AND OPEN ENROLLMENT LEGISLATIVE OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE (RSA 194-B:21), Room 302, LOB

10:00 a.m. Regular meeting.

COMMISSION TO STUDY THE CONSTRUCTION TIME FRAME AND FINANCING FOR THE EXPANSION OF INTERSTATE ROUTE 93 (SB 413, Chapter 220:1, Laws of 2004), Room 301, LOB

10:00 a.m. Regular meeting.

COMMITTEE TO STUDY ISSUES RELATED TO THE PROPERTY TAX EXEMPTION FOR WOODEN POLES AND CONDUITS (HB 1416, Chapter 35:2, Laws of 2004), Room 307, LOB

10:00 a.m. Regular meeting.

COMMITTEE TO STUDY THE FEASIBILITY OF UNBUNDLING COMMUNICATIONS SERVICES CHARGES (HB 1316, Chapter 111:8, Laws of 2004), Room 307, LOB

8:30 a.m. Regular meeting.

SMALL GROUP HEALTH INSURANCE REFORM OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE (RSA 420-G:14-c), Room 302, LOB

1:00 p.m. Regular meeting.

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 30

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

9:00 a.m. Continued meeting.

ENVIRONMENT AND AGRICULTURE, Room 303, LOB

10:00 a.m. Rescheduled executive session on interim study bills.

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 1

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

2:00 p.m. Regular meeting.

MONDAY, OCTOBER 4

PET OVERPOPULATION STUDY (RSA 437-A), Room 212, LOB

10:00 a.m. Regular meeting.

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 5

EDUCATION, Room 207, LOB

9:30 a.m. Interim study subcommittee work session on *HB 492*, establishing a statement of parental rights relative to school disciplinary measures, the content of educational materials and surveys, and the use of psychological testing and psychiatric drugs in schools.

INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE (RSA 4-D:7), Room 100, State House

10:00 a.m. Regular meeting.

LONG-TERM CARE REIMBURSEMENT COMMISSION, (SB 376, Chapter 260:22, Laws of 2004), Room 301, LOB

10:00 a.m. Regular meeting.

PUBLIC WORKS AND HIGHWAYS, Room 201, LOB

10:00 a.m. Interim study subcommittee work session on *SB 429*, relative to state and municipal contracting practices for public works.

WAYS AND MEANS, Room 202, LOB

10:00 a.m. Full committee work and executive session on interim study bills.

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 6

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.

COMMITTEE TO STUDY IMPROVING DATA COLLECTION AND SERVICE DELIVERY FOR HOME AND COMMUNITY-BASED LONG TERM SERVICES (HB 712, Chapter 44:1, Laws of 2004), Room 100, State House

10:00 a.m. Regular meeting.

JUDICIARY, Room 208, LOB

9:30 a.m. Executive session on interim study bills.

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 7

JUDICIARY, Room 208, LOB

9:30 a.m. Meeting on the Judicial Branch Administration Performance Audit. (2003)

STATE TRANSPORTATION PLAN FUNDING COMMITTEE STUDY (HB 2004, Chapter 262:3, Laws of 2004), Room 201, LOB

9:30 a.m. Regular meeting.

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 8

GOVERNOR’S COMMISSION ON ALCOHOL AND DRUG ABUSE PREVENTION, INTERVENTION, AND TREATMENT (RSA 12-J), Rooms 201-203, LOB

9:30 a.m. Regular meeting.

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

2:00 p.m. Regular meeting.

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 12

GUARDIANS AD LITEM BOARD (RSA 490-C:1), Room 102, LOB

1:00 p.m. Regular meeting.

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 13

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.

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 14

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

9:00 a.m. Regular meeting.

COMMITTEE TO STUDY ISSUES RELATED TO THE PROPERTY TAX EXEMPTION FOR WOODEN POLES AND CONDUITS (HB 1416, Chapter 35:2, Laws of 2004), Room 202, LOB

10:00 a.m. Regular meeting.

COMMITTEE TO STUDY THE FEASIBILITY OF UNBUNDLING COMMUNICATIONS SERVICES CHARGES (HB 1316, Chapter 111:8, Laws of 2004), Room 202, LOB

1:00 p.m. Regular meeting.

PUBLIC WORKS AND HIGHWAYS, Room 201, LOB

10:00 a.m. Interim study subcommittee work session on *SB 429*, relative to state and municipal contracting practices for public works.

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 15

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, OCTOBER 18

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.

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 20

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

2:00 p.m. Regular meeting.

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 21

CRIMINAL JUSTICE AND PUBLIC SAFETY, Room 204, LOB

10:00 a.m. Executive session on interim study bills.

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 22

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.

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 26

CRIMINAL JUSTICE AND PUBLIC SAFETY, Room 204, LOB

10:00 a.m. Executive session on interim study bills, if needed.

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 27

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

2:00 p.m. Regular meeting.

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 28

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

9:00 a.m. Continued meeting.

OFFICIAL NOTICES

When the House Clerk’s Office is aware of House Members who are hospitalized or homebound by serious illness, we will publish a list of names and addresses as requested.

Lawrence J. Guay, 404 Main Street, Gorham, New Hampshire 03581-1123
Joseph and Sandra Harris, 43 Ridge Avenue, Claremont, New Hampshire 03743-3166.
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 legislative 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 reports that are received in the Speaker’s office and available for viewing.

Reports most recently received include:
Grafton County Pilot Project Report on Open Abuse and Neglect Proceedings
Final report of the study on setback requirements for septage, biosolids and short paper fibers
Gene G. Chandler, Speaker

The House Republican Alliance will meet on the first and third Wednesdays of each month at 8:30 a.m. in Room 306, LOB.
Rep. Michael A. Balboni

The Department of Agriculture, Markets and Food has up to two free tickets available to each House member to attend the Eastern States Exposition (The Big E) in West Springfield, MA. Members are responsible for their own transportation, parking and meals. The Big E begins **September 17** and runs through **October 3**. New Hampshire Day is **September 24**. To obtain tickets, call Lynn at 271-3788 or stop by the department offices, State House Annex, Second Floor.
Rep. George T. Musler

The Carroll County Republican Committee invites you to attend their 4th Annual BBQ Sizzle on Saturday, **September 18** from 11:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. at Camp Pierce Birchmont on the shores of Lake Wentworth, Wolfeboro. There will be hayrides around the grounds, primary winning candidates and hamburgers and hotdogs with all the amenities. The tickets are \$5 per person and \$10 per family and they are available by contacting Reps. Betsey Patten (253-6927) or Carolyn Brown (356-2768).
Rep. Betsey L. Patten

Members of the General Court and the Public are invited and encouraged to attend the public forums sponsored by the Governor’s Commission on Alcohol and Drug Abuse Prevention, Intervention and Treatment in collaboration with the Drug Czars. The Commission will present some of the local grantees that are providing services to the community. Public discussion of the successes, failures and future needs to overcome the problems with alcohol and drug addictions. . The following schedule is provided for your convenience to attend one or more of the forums: **All forums are from 7:00 to 8:30 p.m.**

September 21	Dover	Wentworth Douglass Hospital
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September 23	Keene	Keene High School
September 28	Littleton	Littleton Learning Center
October 5	Berlin	Community Technical College
October 20	Tamworth	St. Andrews Church

For more information or details, please contact Dorothy Leavitt at 271-5564 or email:dleavitt@dhhs.state.nh.us.

Rep. William E. Leber

All legislators are invited to join the NH Knights of Columbus in a defense of life pilgrimage on Saturday, **September 25** from 9:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. in Concord. For more information contact Rep. Phyllis Woods at 749-2177.

Rep. Phyllis Woods

The Coos County Republican Committee invites you to attend "Septemberfest 2004" on Saturday, **September 25** from noon to 5:00 p.m. This event will be held at the Scott Mason Farm located on Route 3 in the town of Stratford. The farm grounds are located on the banks of the beautiful Connecticut River. Come and join Governor Benson, Congressman Bass, Councilor Burton and others for a good time. It will feature a catered chicken barbecue, hamburger and hot dog barbecue for the kids, family entertainment and a live jazz band. Advance tickets are \$15 with children 12 and under free. For advance tickets and directions, please call 237-4206.

Rep. Eric G. Stohl

The College Track: America's Sorting Machine. N.H. Public Television (NHPTV) will present the documentary series *The College Track: America's Sorting Machine* on Sunday, **September 26**, 2004 beginning at 3:00 p.m., a series exploring America's commitment to equal access to higher education through the stories of students struggling to become the first in their families to attend college.

At 6:00 p.m. on the same day, NHPTV will air a Special hosted by NH Outlook's Beth Carroll. The NHPTV special will focus on access to postsecondary education and planning for college in the Granite State.

Additionally, to help viewers get answers about college preparation and resources, NHPTV and the New Hampshire Higher Education Assistance Foundation (NHHEAF) Network will offer a toll-free call-in number 1-800-525-2577 ext. 119 between 3:00-6:00 p.m. Callers will be able to talk with the NHHEAF Network Center for College Planning staff about planning and paying for college.

Rep. Stephen R. L'Heureux

The Legislative Caucus for Young Children (LCYC) will meet on Monday, **September 27** in Room 307, LOB at 10:00 a.m. The agenda will include continued discussion of LCYC reorganization and planning for the Fall Roundtable and new member orientation.

Rep. Mary Stuart Gile

The first meeting of the Healthcare Decisions Coalition, after the summer recess, will be held on Monday, **September 27**, from 2:30 to 4:30 p.m. in Room 206, LOB (**Please note room change.**)

Rep. Hilda W. Sokol

The Rockingham County Republican Committee will be holding its annual picnic on Sunday, **October 10** from noon to 3:00 p.m. The hamburger and hot dog cookout will be held at the Rockingham County Complex in Brentwood. Tickets, which are \$10 each or \$20 per family, or more information can be obtained from Rep. Mary Griffin at 432-0959.

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Rep. Mary E. Griffin