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HOUSE CALENDAR

MEMBERS OF THE HOUSE:

The House will meet in Joint Session, with the Senate at 10:00 a.m. on **Thursday, February 12th** for the Governor's budget address. The Joint Session will be followed by a House Session before we reconvene in Joint Session for a celebration of the 200th anniversary of the birth of President Lincoln.

The House will also meet on Wednesday, **February 18th** and on Wednesdays throughout March.

In order to conserve in-state travel funds, it would be helpful if members would limit the number of times they come to Concord by consolidating constituent, agency and committee work.

Terie Norelli, Speaker

NOTICE

There will be a meeting of committee Chairmen and Vice Chairmen on Tuesday, **February 10**, at 8:30 a.m. in Rooms 301-303, LOB.

Terie Norelli Speaker

NOTICE

There will be a Democratic Caucus on Thursday, **February 12** at **9:00 a.m.** in Representatives Hall.

Rep. Mary Jane Wallner, Majority Leader

NOTICE

There will be a Republican Caucus on Thursday, **February 12** at **8:45 a.m.** in Rooms 305-307, LOB.

Rep. Sherman A. Packard, Republican Leader

NOTICE

Immediately following the State House ceremonies celebrating the Abraham Lincoln Bicentennial on **February 12**, legislators, staff and guests are invited to the New Hampshire Historical Society's library at 30 Park Street, Concord, for the opening of its exhibition, ***Lincoln and New Hampshire***. Birthday cake and coffee will be served.

Reps. Janet Wall and David A. Welch

NOTICE

House Continuing Education

TOPIC: Introduction of Continuing Education 2009

COORDINATORS: Representative David Welch
Representative Judith Day

DATE: Wednesday, February 11, 2009

TIME: 12:00 ~ 1:30 p.m.

PLACE: LOB Room 206

Committee Process: How can I be an effective committee member?

Get tips on writing a blurb.

Understand the process of evaluating and amending bills in committees.

Learn the ropes on chairing a subcommittee.

NOTICE

The Calendar closes at 3:00 p.m. on Wednesdays for scheduling and notices. It closes at 1:00 p.m. on Thursdays for Committee Reports. 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.

Karen O. Wadsworth, Clerk of the House

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 12

CONSENT CALENDAR

COMMERCE AND CONSUMER AFFAIRS

HB 32, relative to insurance for parking lots used to store vehicles owned by charitable organizations. **INEXPEDIENT TO LEGISLATE.**

Rep. Susi Nord for Commerce and Consumer Affairs: This bill was well intended, but ultimately was not an insurance bill. Current insurance law is sufficient to make sure vehicles belonging to charitable organizations are covered simply by providing the lot owner with a certificate of insurance. Protection for the lot owner isn't an insurance issue, and could be addressed elsewhere. **Vote 20-0.**

HB 57, limiting charges against estates for assessing the value of insurance policies and annuities. **INEXPEDIENT TO LEGISLATE.**

Rep. Joel F Winters for Commerce and Consumer Affairs: This bill tries to protect estates from being charged frivolous fees. It prohibits third party assessors of whole life insurance policies and annuities from charging the estate for their services. Overcharging is uncommon, and does not seem to justify a blanket prohibition on legitimate third party assessing charges. Some policies have values that are different from their face value and they require these specialized third party assessments. **Vote 20-0.**

HB 59-L, requiring employers of employees with service dogs to place signs prohibiting animals other than service dogs. **INEXPEDIENT TO LEGISLATE.**

Rep. Jill Shaffer Hammond for Commerce and Consumer Affairs: This bill would have required employers of personnel with service animals to post a warning sign at the entrance to the workplace, and would have levied a fine for non-compliance. While well-intentioned, to protect employees with service animals from unwanted interference from the public, this bill would have placed undue responsibility on an employer. The real need is educating the public about proper interaction with service animals and their owners. **Vote 20-0.**

HB 67, relative to the return of replaced parts by a motor vehicle facility. **INEXPEDIENT TO LEGISLATE.**

Rep. Edward A Butler for Commerce and Consumer Affairs: This bill would have made it mandatory for an auto repair shop to return to the customer parts replaced because of work that has been done, unless the customer has said, in writing, that he or she doesn't want them. The committee noted that it is already in statute that a repair shop is required to return those parts, when requested. It was felt that this bill was not necessary. **Vote 20-0.**

HB 144, relative to title insurance. **OUGHT TO PASS.**

Rep. Stephen T DeStefano for Commerce and Consumer Affairs: This bill makes two changes: In Section 1 of the bill RSA 416-A:8 currently prohibits title insurance companies from receiving remuneration in any form from the referral of title insurance business. The bill now adds title insurance agents to this prohibition as well. Section 2 will now require part-time as well as full time title insurance agents to be licensed. **Vote 19-0.**

HB 264, relative to the use of New Hampshire talent in state promotional initiatives. **INEXPEDIENT TO LEGISLATE.**

Rep. Stephen T DeStefano for Commerce and Consumer Affairs: Existing law requires that state agencies contracting with the private sector for the use of film or video in an advertising, promotional or educational program shall use New Hampshire talent whenever possible. The bill seeks to expand that requirement to creative agencies and production companies. While the intention is good, the bill is limited to film, and not other forms of printed advertising and promotions. The existing law has been in place for four years, and contracts are now approved by the Governor and Council, who have the ability to encourage state agencies to use New Hampshire talent whenever possible. **Vote 16-4.**

HB 270, relative to sale of human remains. **OUGHT TO PASS.**

Rep. Susi Nord for Commerce and Consumer Affairs: This bill closes a loophole in New Hampshire regulations. Currently the sale of human remains, which includes artifacts known or reliably assumed to have been on or interred with a deceased human being, are prohibited only for unmarked graves excavated after 1987. The State Archaeologist charged with attending to unmarked graves, as well as identifying and protecting the archaeological resources of the state, has been concerned with this situation for some time and brought it to the attention of the committee. The small word change to the statute would prevent the sale of remains, excavated outside the state of New Hampshire from being sold here also. **Vote 17-3.**

HB 277-FN, relative to the minimum age for purchasing, possessing, or using tobacco products. **INEXPEDIENT TO LEGISLATE.**

Rep. Edward A Butler for Commerce and Consumer Affairs: This bill would raise the legal minimum age for buying or using cigarettes and other tobacco products to 21. It is clear that there are significant negative health effects of tobacco use. However, it is a legal substance and the majority of the committee did not agree that a rise in the minimum legal age was warranted. When an 18 year old can vote and defend our country, among other rights and responsibilities, the committee did not feel it would be right to take away the decision of whether or not to use tobacco products. **Vote 19-1.**

ELECTION LAW

HB 35, eliminating the office of vice-president from the presidential primary ballot. **OUGHT TO PASS.**

Rep. Richard B Drisko for Election Law: The intent of this bill was to eliminate the placing of candidates for vice president on the ballot. As the vice president is chosen by the presidential candidate, the practice is archaic. In addition, it contributes confusion to the voting process and generates needless write-ins that must be counted at the end of the day. **Vote 19-0.**

HB 105, relative to voting machines for the counting of ballots. **OUGHT TO PASS WITH AMENDMENT.**

Rep. Timothy P Comerford for Election Law: The committee finds that the original intent of this bill, using open source software in vote counting machines, is not currently feasible. However, notwithstanding the availability of said software, there is merit to the bill as it clears up language in state statutes relative to vote casting devices. The state does not use vote casting devices or lever voting machines. The bill simply removes reference to these devices and puts the RSA in line with current practice. **Vote 19-0.**

HB 153, relative to processing of absentee ballots. **INEXPEDIENT TO LEGISLATE.**

Rep. June M Caron for Election Law: This bill has two parts. First, it would require 10% of the registered voters on the checklist to have the moderator postpone the processing of absentee ballots. With 10% of registered voters needed to postpone, (for example: in a ward that has over 4,000 registered voters, you would now need 400 voters), there would be no meaningful opportunity to request a postponement. The second part of the bill would allow a moderator to open the absentee ballots at any time prior to 1:00 p.m. However, if the law allows the moderator to make the decision to open absentee ballots prior to 1:00 p.m., then in city/towns that have more than one voting place, moderators would be opening absentee ballots at anytime during election hours. This would not allow for those who might challenge absentee ballots to know the exact time to be at that particular polling place. This, too, would mean there would be no meaningful opportunity to challenge an absentee ballot. We have laws now that provide for reasonable limitations on ballot challenges, as well as a reasonable start time for moderators to process absentee ballots. There is no demonstrated need to change them. **Vote 18-1.**

HB 267, relative to the definition of "election." **OUGHT TO PASS.**

Rep. Melanie A Levesque for Election Law: This is a housekeeping bill that clarifies the term "election" to mean only general biennial election, political party primary or presidential preference primary. **Vote 18-0.**

HB 292, relative to financial disclosures, lobbyist registrations and statements, prohibited gifts, executive branch volunteers, reports of political advertising, and permissible campaign contributions by business organizations and labor unions. **OUGHT TO PASS WITH AMENDMENT.**

Rep. James R Splaine for Election Law: This bill, as amended, clarifies the rights of members of the public to be able to testify at public hearings, offer their thoughts and opinions to state government and volunteer in certain activities of state government without having to register as a lobbyist or file disclosure statements, provided no conflict of interest exists. A filing official is to be designated by the office of secretary of state to assist those who are required to file disclosure forms with questions they have and to ensure disclosure forms are properly filed. It also provides for quarterly reports instead of monthly reports by lobbyists so that the filing process will be more

streamlined for those who review the reports. **Vote 16-1.**

HB 323, changing the name of the ballot law commission to the elections and ballot law commission, increasing the membership of the commission, and requiring the commission to propose redistricting plans. **INEXPEDIENT TO LEGISLATE.**

Rep. Richard B Drisko for Election Law: The intent of this legislation is to establish an independent ballot law commission to accomplish the decennial redistricting of the state of New Hampshire. This legislation is contrary to the New Hampshire Constitution and would completely change the responsibilities and status of the ballot law commission as currently in New Hampshire election law statutes. **Vote 17-1.**

HB 340, relative to polling places. **INEXPEDIENT TO LEGISLATE.**

Rep. Dino A Scala for Election Law: This bill would require all polling places in towns and/or wards to be of sufficient size and layout that persons waiting in line to register would not be required to wait outside. This would cause selectmen and moderators to search for additional areas to meet that conform with these requirements. In some areas, this might not be possible. The committee feels the town moderators and selectmen are already using facilities that work best for voting in their town and/or wards. **Vote 17-1.**

HB 387, relative to observation of voter registration. **OUGHT TO PASS.**

Rep. Kathleen M Hoelzel for Election Law: This refers to same day voter registrations only. The application form to register to vote contains private information under RSA 91-A. The voters' right to privacy is of utmost importance. This bill allows "challengers" to observe the process of voter registration but does not allow viewing or access to the information on the application form. **Vote 18-0.**

HB 432-FN, relative to penalties for telephone harassment involving a number used to facilitate transportation of voters or otherwise to support voting or registering to vote. **OUGHT TO PASS WITH AMENDMENT.**

Rep. Robert J Perry for Election Law: The purpose of this bill is to recognize the subject conduct as criminal and provide an appropriate penalty therefor. The vote in committee reflected non-partisan support for addressing the need to discourage the conduct by either party. **Vote 15-0.**

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENTS AND ADMINISTRATION

HB 40, requiring sanctions against hospitals for failing to report infection rates. **OUGHT TO PASS WITH AMENDMENT.**

Rep. Carol M McGuire for Executive Departments and Administration: This bill provides an administrative enforcement mechanism for reporting hospital-acquired infection rates, which was missing from 2006's HB 1741, Chapter 292 which established this requirement. The amendment adds the opportunity for a hearing rather than the requirement for a hearing. **Vote 18-1.**

HB 129, establishing a committee to study the incorporation of electronic filing procedures under the administrative procedures act. **OUGHT TO PASS.**

Rep. Maurice L Pilote for Executive Departments and Administration: This bill, addressing rulemaking issues, was filed at the request of the joint legislative committee on administrative rules (JLCAR). The bill would establish a committee to identify the feasibility and advisability of making changes to the administrative procedures act in four distinct areas: (1) allowing incorporation by reference of internet based documents for agency rules, (2) allowing automatic updating of documents without additional rulemaking, (3) allowing the establishment of electronic filing procedures for agency rules, (4) identifying issues concerning electronic filing by agencies of rules and notices with the office of legislative services. The goal of this study would be paper reduction consistent with RSA 294-E, the uniform transactions act. **Vote 18-0.**

HB 168, relative to disposition of electricians' fees. **OUGHT TO PASS WITH AMENDMENT.**

Rep. Russell C Day for Executive Departments and Administration: This bill, as amended, simplifies the processing of revenues generated by the electricians' board. Under the new process, revenues generated from fees collected by the board will be deposited into the general fund and the operating expenses of the board will be funded through the board's budget. Any excess funds will remain in the general fund. This will bring the fee collection and funding for the electricians'

board into line with other occupational regulatory boards. **Vote 18-1.**

HB 172, allowing naturopathic doctors to dispense prescription drugs. **OUGHT TO PASS WITH AMENDMENT.**

Rep. Maurice L Pilotte for Executive Departments and Administration: This bill adds naturopathic doctors to the list of practitioners who come under the oversight of the board of pharmacy. Naturopathic doctors may dispense only those prescription drugs which are specifically permitted in their scope of practice (RSA 328-E:4). This bill does not extend their prescribing authority nor does it change the statute which emphasizes that, “doctors of naturopathic medicine shall not : (a) prescribe, dispense, or administer any legend or controlled substances as defined in RSA 318 and 318-B, except those natural medicines as authorized by this chapter” (RSA 328-E:4, IV). The amendment clarifies the purpose of the bill and changes “controlled drugs” to “prescription drugs” for consistency with the current statute. **Vote 19-0.**

HB 190-FN, relative to fees for dental hygienists. **INEXPEDIENT TO LEGISLATE.**

Rep. Donald F Ryder for Executive Departments and Administration: This bill appears to be an attempt to bring the dental hygienists into a professional assistance program by the board of dental examiners without the consent of the hygienists. The committee felt this to be “taxation without representation”. **Vote 17-0.**

HB 282-FN-A, relative to compensation for the medical/vision advisory board and making an appropriation therefor. **OUGHT TO PASS WITH AMENDMENT.**

Rep. Donald F Ryder for Executive Departments and Administration: This bill establishes a per diem for members of an existing medical/vision advisory board within the division of motor vehicles. The board shall meet as required. An appropriation of \$1 will be made with the remaining compensation to be found within the division’s budget. **Vote 17-2.**

FINANCE

HB 365, relative to the state loan repayment program for health professionals. **INEXPEDIENT TO LEGISLATE.**

Rep. Thomas L Buco for Finance: The state loan re-payment program for health professionals is a program to attract health care professionals to the rural areas of New Hampshire. It appears as a line item in the New Hampshire department of health and human services' budget. The bill as drafted contains language which is incorrect as to legislative procedure. Amending the language is not necessary, however, since this program will be dealt with in the budget process. **Vote 24-0.**

HB 444-FN-A, relative to reproducing the 1792 New Hampshire constitution and making an appropriation therefor. **INEXPEDIENT TO LEGISLATE.**

Rep. Sandra C Harris for Finance: The committee endorses the preservation of our historical documents and applauds the idea of selling copies in the state store. However, the committee felt the appropriation of \$15,000 for these goals would be better accomplished through applying to historical preservation groups for a grant or listed in the budget of the historical division of the department of cultural affairs. **Vote 22-0.**

HB 508, relative to the county-state finance commission. **OUGHT TO PASS WITH AMENDMENT.**

Rep. Larry A Emerton for Finance: This bill adds three members of the legislature, two of whom shall be members of the House and one a member of the Senate. It also adds the oversight of long-term care reimbursement between the state and county. **Vote 20-0.**

HEALTH, HUMAN SERVICES AND ELDERLY AFFAIRS

HB 69, relative to submission of health care data. **OUGHT TO PASS WITH AMENDMENT.**

Rep. Robert G Bridgham for Health, Human Services and Elderly Affairs: This bill, as amended, permits the department of health and human services to reflect the costs of collecting, consolidating, and maintaining three important data sets in the fees charged to other users for providing them with data from the data sets. The three sets of data – hospital discharge data, health care claims data, and the state cancer registry – are both a significant expense to the state and a valuable guide for state health care policy. The data have significant value to other users, and the bill provides means for these users to share in the costs of their collection and

maintenance. **Vote 19-0.**

HB 234, establishing a committee to study the certificate of need process. **OUGHT TO PASS WITH AMENDMENT.**

Rep. Joan H Schulze for Health, Human Services and Elderly Affairs: This bill was submitted after a study in 2008 recommended legislation to create an expedited process for certification of need (CON) review for certain projects. It has been a long time since the CON process was examined, and the process as a whole is due for review by the legislature to ensure it is serving the needs of the people of New Hampshire. The department of health and human services has agreed that a legislative review of the statute is timely and appropriate. The CON was created in 1979 by federal legislation to prevent duplication of services, decrease health care expenditures and improve quality and access to health care. The general review of the CON statute will include evaluation of the composition of the health services planning and review board, capital expenditure thresholds on construction/ renovation of hospitals and ambulatory surgical facilities, transfer of ownership of non-Medicare/Medicaid facilities, new inpatient services, certain acquisitions, and any increase or conversion of inpatient beds. **Vote 19-0.**

HB 318, relative to the "Nursing Home Residents Bill of Rights." **INEXPEDIENT TO LEGISLATE.**

Rep. Kate W Miller for Health, Human Services and Elderly Affairs: This bill seeks to add a family council provision to the Patients' Bill of Rights (RSA 151:21). While the committee is sympathetic to insuring that nursing home residents and their family members have access to problem solving methods and adequate voice in their plan of care and standard of living, the committee received testimony from county and private nursing home administrators, representatives of the state's private and county nursing homes and a nursing home resident who assured us these mechanisms are already in place. It seems to the committee that resident councils, family councils and the state's ombudsman system currently work effectively to protect and enhance the rights of nursing home residents. **Vote 16-0.**

LOCAL AND REGULATED REVENUES

HB 97, relative to the lottery commission's ability to make rules concerning the Multi-State Lottery Association. **OUGHT TO PASS.**

Rep. Eric G Stohl for Local and Regulated Revenues: This bill simply allows the lottery commission to make rules in order for them to regulate games that are administered by the Multi-State Lottery Association. These rules apply to, but are not limited to, how prizes are claimed and how tickets are validated. This bill provides clarity to the issue that is being carried out now. **Vote 16-0.**

MUNICIPAL AND COUNTY GOVERNMENT

HB 71, relative to increasing the dollar limit for requiring public hearings on issuance of local bonds. **INEXPEDIENT TO LEGISLATE.**

Rep. Margaret M Crisler for Municipal and County Government: A public hearing is required when a municipal bond or note exceeds the amount of \$100,000. This limit has been in effect since 1895. The proposed amendment to RSA 32:5, I would have increased that amount to \$250,000. However, the committee considered that the amount is still an appropriate sum to require a public hearing, particularly with the economy in turmoil at this time. **Vote 18-0.**

HB 72, relative to requesting a secret ballot at a town meeting. **INEXPEDIENT TO LEGISLATE.**

Rep. Amy Stasia Perkins for Municipal and County Government: Although it has been some time since this statute has been amended or altered, the committee felt it was important to preserve the original intent: to provide individuals the opportunity to cast a secret ballot on any individual issue without fear of intimidation. Increasing the number of voters required to request a secret ballot would be counter to the intent of the original statute. **Vote 18-0.**

HB 92, requiring municipalities to establish volunteer civilian police review boards. **INEXPEDIENT TO LEGISLATE.**

Rep. Suzanne S Laliberte for Municipal and County Government: The committee objected to the

fact that volunteer civilian police boards were required. Municipalities who want to can already establish such boards. The committee also noted that there are several routes to address complaints ranging from governing body of the municipality to the attorney general. There were several concerns about the composition of such a board. **Vote 19-0.**

HB 94, establishing a commission to study workforce housing issues. **INEXPEDIENT TO LEGISLATE.**

Rep. Jessie L Osborne for Municipal and County Government: The committee believes that this bill is premature. We need to implement affordable housing legislation passed last session before we try to evaluate its results. **Vote 17-0.**

HB 210, relative to public access to minutes of local land use boards. **OUGHT TO PASS.**

Rep. Raymond G Gagnon for Municipal and County Government: This bill changes the time frame from 144 hours to 5 days public access to certain minutes of local land use boards to conform to the change made in the right to know law. **Vote 17-0.**

HB 239-L, relative to establishing a municipal bond rescission process. **OUGHT TO PASS WITH AMENDMENT.**

Rep. Suzanne S Laliberte for Municipal and County Government: This bill establishes a process whereby a municipality may rescind bonding authority if municipal bonds or notes have not been issued. The bill also allows a municipality to limit the length of time bonding authority is valid. The committee felt that this bill helps municipalities manage their bonding authority. **Vote 19-0.**

PUBLIC WORKS AND HIGHWAYS

HB 403, clarifying the intent of a transfer of general funds to the highway fund. **OUGHT TO PASS.**

Rep. David B Campbell for Public Works and Highways: This bill clarifies any and all monies used as federal match money for the purchase and 3 year operation of buses on the I-93 corridor are general (not highway trust) funds. This avoids any possible issues, or precedents regarding violation of Part II Article 6-a of the N.H. Constitution. The mass transit for I-93 was a condition of the EPA permit for the I-93 widening. **Vote 19-0.**

HB 460, relative to the system of visitor centers. **OUGHT TO PASS WITH AMENDMENT.**

Rep. Gene G Chandler for Public Works and Highways: This bill as amended continues a study committee dealing with the visitor's system network and the administration of those centers. The department of resources and economic development (DRED) is the agency that deals with tourism and these visitor centers need to be administered by the agency that is best equipped to deal with visitors and residents in New Hampshire. The bill also allows the committee to solicit requests for proposals to explore revenue generating models at the Hooksett north and south rest areas on Rte 93. The amendment also establishes the bureau of visitor's service within DRED to carry out the recommendations relative to north and south rest areas and welcome centers. **Vote 19-0.**

RESOURCES, RECREATION AND DEVELOPMENT

HB 45, relative to the water supply land conservation program. **OUGHT TO PASS.**

Rep. Susan R Kepner for Resources, Recreation and Development: This bill expands the eligibility for water supply land conservation grants to include important future sources of public water supplies. It does not provide more state money for the program, but opens the door to protecting water resources which are likely to be used by municipalities. It also allows municipalities to avail themselves of the services of nonprofit land trust organizations in applying for the funds, negotiating with landowners and holding easements. **Vote 17-0.**

HB 58, designating segments of the Cocheco River as protected under the rivers management and protection program. **OUGHT TO PASS WITH AMENDMENT.**

Rep. Frank A Tupper for Resources, Recreation and Development: This bill adds portions of the Cocheco River to the rivers management and protection program. These portions qualify under RSA 483:15 because of their documented outstanding resources and approval by the state rivers management advisory committee. **Vote 17-0.**

HB 102, relative to the rivers management programs and the rivers coordinator. **OUGHT TO PASS WITH AMENDMENT.**

Rep. Suzanne H Gottling for Resources, Recreation and Development: This bill makes clearer several aspects of the rivers management and protection program including giving highest priority to maintenance of water quality standards, the option of broadening river nomination considerations to include tributaries, allowing members of the advisory committee to include members from tributary towns and requiring a biennial report to the general court on program funding and implementation. The amendment adds 'public safety' and 'public water supply' elements to river nominations. **Vote 18-0.**

HB 130, relative to enforceability of publicly-owned land restrictions. **OUGHT TO PASS WITH AMENDMENT.**

Rep. James D Aguiar for Resources, Recreation and Development: Occasionally, a property may have restrictions imposed upon it as a result of agreements with the state or municipality made when the land is being developed, or to resolve disputes with abutters, or to limit use of contaminated land. The question has arisen whether these restrictions can be enforceable against subsequent owners of the property. This bill clears up this uncertainty. **Vote 18-0.**

TRANSPORTATION

HB 54, requiring vehicle impoundment for driving after revocation or suspension. **INEXPEDIENT TO LEGISLATE.**

Rep. Michael B O'Brien for Transportation: The committee felt this bill, although well intentioned, places a potential hardship on the owner of the vehicle when an operator uses the vehicle when the operator is under revocation or suspension. The penalty here should be on the operator and not on the vehicle. **Vote 17-1.**

HB 68, relative to commercial driver licenses when the license holder fails a drug or alcohol test. **INEXPEDIENT TO LEGISLATE.**

Rep. C. Pennington Brown for Transportation: While the intent is laudable there are problems with HB 68. These include duplication with federal regulations, need for increased staffing to meet reporting requirements and out-of-state judicial appeals. **Vote 19-0.**

HB 76, establishing a permanent commission to study recommendations of the National Transportation Safety Board. **OUGHT TO PASS.**

Rep. Jennifer M Brown for Transportation: When the federal government wants changes made they send a list of recommendations to the department of safety. This bill will give the department of safety a place to bring those recommendations for vetting before a bill is submitted **Vote 18-1.**

HB 95, relative to motorcycle equipment and noise levels. **INEXPEDIENT TO LEGISLATE.**

Rep. Paul H Ingersoll for Transportation: This bill would create an economic hardship on motorcycle riders and also on the State of New Hampshire with loss of millions on this summer event in the Lakes Region. Also, the bill prohibits adding after market equipment in one place and in another place it mandates adding the after market equipment **Vote 19-0.**

HB 99, relative to supervised driving time by persons completing driver education. **OUGHT TO PASS.**

Rep. Karen C Umberger for Transportation: The committee heard testimony that extended driving time and the addition of 10 hours of night driving would improve the skills of new drivers. This bill was supported by the department of safety and AAA Northern New England. **Vote 19-0.**

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 12

REGULAR CALENDAR

COMMERCE AND CONSUMER AFFAIRS

HB 119, establishing a commission to consider the feasibility of adopting the Atlantic Daylight Savings Plan. **MAJORITY: INEXPEDIENT TO LEGISLATE. MINORITY: OUGHT TO PASS WITH AMENDMENT.**

Rep. John B Hunt for the **Majority** of Commerce and Consumer Affairs: Although there are many good reasons for taking advantage of the extra day light, the reality is that attempting to change New Hampshire's clocks to gain an extra hour between June 15 and September 15 will cause more problems than benefits. Just like the parts of Indiana that are close to Chicago, the southern part of New Hampshire is clearly part of the Boston area that would create a nightmare for those who commute in and out. For instance, the airport in Manchester is called the Manchester Boston Regional Airport. Finally, the commission does not represent all those who would be affected but it does include a representative of the NH Golf Association. **Vote 11-9.**

Rep. Paul McEachern for the **Minority** of Commerce and Consumer Affairs: The minority believes that this bill offers so much upside both to New Hampshire as a vacation destination and to energy savings that it is worth a serious study. By switching a daylight hour to the end of the day we can make the summer months more family friendly. The vote in committee failed on a tie 10-10 vote on the motion of ought to pass with amendment.

HB 227-FN, relative to payment for tobacco products purchased by retailers. **INEXPEDIENT TO LEGISLATE.**

Rep. Joel F Winters for Commerce and Consumer Affairs:: Each tobacco wholesaler currently has the ability to set his/her own terms for receiving payment from retailers. Wholesalers compete with each other to offer terms - 10, 20, 30 days or more - that will earn them retail customers. This bill would require the suspension or revocation of the license of any tobacco retailer who did not pay his/her wholesaler within 10 days, even if the wholesaler is willing to offer more flexible payment terms. **Vote 17-2.**

HB 254, establishing a commission to study the effects of inflation on New Hampshire and possible remedies. **MAJORITY: INEXPEDIENT TO LEGISLATE. MINORITY: OUGHT TO PASS.**

Rep. Tara G Reardon for the **Majority** of Commerce and Consumer Affairs: This bill would establish a commission to study the effects of inflation on New Hampshire citizens and possible means of mitigating them. The committee finds that inflation, (as well as deflation and stagflation), are factors created and influenced by national monetary policy and global economic forces we cannot reasonably expect to control or adjust at the state level. Therefore, the proposed study commission is unnecessary. **Vote 17-3.**

Rep. Joel F Winters for the **Minority** of Commerce and Consumer Affairs: Our dollars buy 3.8% less then they did last year because of inflation, a hidden tax which occurs when the federal government creates new dollars and adds them to the amount of money in circulation.

Government bailouts and increased federal spending are only accelerating this process. Inflation is also a regressive tax, hurting hardest those at the bottom of the economic ladder who have the longest wait before getting these depreciating dollars into their hands. Very few of our constituents are aware of how inflation is affecting them, so it only makes sense for us to study the issue and see if the legislature can find ways to help them. Each of us should ask ourselves - do I really trust the federal government to get us out of the economic mess that it has created?

ELECTION LAW

CACR 4, relating to elections. Providing that certain persons may vote in primaries prior to turning 18 years of age. **MAJORITY: OUGHT TO PASS WITH AMENDMENT. MINORITY: INEXPEDIENT TO LEGISLATE.**

Rep. Kevin D Hodges for the **Majority** of Election Law: The committee feels that our main goal is to increase voter and civic participation. This bill allows 17 year olds to vote in a primary election if they will turn 18 before a general election. It appears as a CACR because the Supreme Court advised the General Court that a similar bill, passed in 2008, was unconstitutional. This bill would give the people of New Hampshire an opportunity to decide this issue. Studies have shown that a voter who starts voting at a young age is more likely to become a habitual voter throughout his/her adult life. This fulfills our goal of increased participation in the process. To those who would claim that CACR 4 prevents a 17 year old from voting in non partisan town or municipal election and is therefore confusing, the majority would say that voting in a primary election is

different from voting in a town election or a general election because primaries, as party functions, do not have the ultimate impact in determining who is elected to office in a November general election. In essence, winning a primary does not guarantee an elected office nor does it require official action from the secretary of state. To those who would claim that a voter must be 18 because that is the law and common sense dictates it, the majority would counter that our society has, from time to time, revisited the collective wisdom of the past and made changes to laws regarding age requirements for specific rights and responsibilities. We have lowered the age for military service to 17 and driving to 16 and we have increased the legal drinking age to 21. Most importantly, we have even lowered the voting age from 21 to 18. So, while 17 year olds can be tried as adults for crimes committed as a minor, they are not allowed to participate in the civic system that would set the laws that govern their behavior. We find this to be unjust. The majority of the committee believes in the value of encouraging young people to vote. We also believe that the general public should have the opportunity to decide if 17 year olds should have the opportunity to determine the nominees for whom they will ultimately be able to vote for in the November election. **Vote 11-8.**

Rep. Dino A Scala for the **Minority** of Election Law: This bill allows a discrepancy in voting by allowing a person to vote for the “future” president but would not allow same person (voter) to vote for town selectman. The minority feels that 17 years old is too young to vote.

HB 258, relative to undeclared voters at primary elections. **INEXPEDIENT TO LEGISLATE.**

Rep. Claudia A Chase for Election Law. This bill eliminates the requirement that an undeclared voter register as a member of a party in order to vote in a political party’s primary election. However, federal constitutional law prohibits a state from mandating that a political party associate with anyone who is not a member of that party. A political party has a fundamental right to exclude anyone from participating in its party functions who does not wish to become a member of that party. New Hampshire law should continue to support fundamental freedoms, not chip away at them as this bill would do. **Vote 18-1.**

HB 276-FN, relative to challenges of voters. **OUGHT TO PASS WITH AMENDMENT.**

Rep. David M Pierce for Election Law: New Hampshire law permits anyone to challenge another’s right to vote for no reason at all. As a result, mass, indiscriminate and groundless challenges of voters have been made solely for the purpose of preventing or delaying voters from voting. But the right to vote is a fundamental right that should not be burdened except upon a showing of good cause. This bill requires a showing of good cause by requiring a challenger to state specific, articulate facts that a voter is ineligible to vote. HB 276 brings a balanced approach to challenges because it protects the right to vote as well as the ability to assert a challenge if it is legitimate and well grounded. **Vote 16-0.**

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENTS AND ADMINISTRATION

HB 476-FN, relative to modifying the quorum requirement and filing fees for the board of tax and land appeals. **OUGHT TO PASS WITH AMENDMENT.**

Rep. Laurie Harding for Executive Departments and Administration: This bill modifies the quorum and filing process of the board of tax and land appeals in response to the governor’s request for a \$150,000 budget cut for fiscal year 2010-2011. The board is proposing to unfund one board member’s position in 2010 and has reduced a staff position from full time to part time. Because the hearing and deliberative process responsibilities will now be done by 3 members instead of 4, components of HB 476 reduce the required hearing quorum from 3 to 2. The amendment will enable the bill to be enacted upon passage. **Vote 14-5.**

FINANCE

HB 369, establishing a spending cap on state budget requests. **INEXPEDIENT TO LEGISLATE.**

Rep. John DeJoie for Finance: This bill seeks to set a limit for the increase of the state budget. While well intentioned, it needlessly removes budgetary authority from the legislature. The responsibility of the legislature is to craft a balanced budget which provides needed services for citizens of New Hampshire. This legislature will continue to fulfill this responsibility without

artificial barriers that prevent this body from using its reasoned judgment to craft the budget.

Vote 21-4.

HB 440-FN, repealing the state's authority to bond school building aid costs. **INEXPEDIENT TO LEGISLATE.**

Rep. John DeJoie for Finance: This bill called for repealing the state's authority to bond school building aid costs for the 2008 and 2009 fiscal years in the event of a general fund unreserved, undesignated deficit at the close of the fiscal year. The FY 2008 books have been closed, audited and the Comprehensive Annual Financial Review (CAFR) has been released. The authority to issue \$40 million in bonds for 2008 was not used and no bonds were issued. The 2009 audit will not be completed until very near the end of calendar 2009. We would know then if a general fund deficit existed and if bonds would have to be issued to offset up to \$40 million. We are making every effort to end FY 2009 with a balanced budget. However, if the general fund ended up in deficit, and if this bill were passed we would be denied the option to issue bonds to pay for school building aid expenditures and would enter FY 2010, a year that we know will present serious fiscal challenges, with up to \$40 million of deficit that could have been avoided by the use of this reasonable financing option. **Vote 14-10.**

HEALTH, HUMAN SERVICES AND ELDERLY AFFAIRS

HB 113, extending the moratorium on nursing home beds. **OUGHT TO PASS WITH AMENDMENT.**

Rep. Robert G Bridgham for Health, Human Services and Elderly Affairs: This bill, as amended, extends both the moratorium on new nursing home beds and the companion moratorium on new rehabilitation beds to June 30, 2012. These moratoria have been effective in controlling public spending while still meeting public needs. The bill also allows the CON board to approve requests for repairs, refurbishment, or accommodation of beds secured by transfer when the expense is greater than the current capital expenditure threshold. The Medicaid reimbursement will not increase for these projects above the capital expenditure threshold. **Vote 19-0.**

HB 208-FN, directing the university of New Hampshire to study the health needs of certain counties. **INEXPEDIENT TO LEGISLATE.**

Rep. Peter L Batula for Health, Human Services and Elderly Affairs: This bill has good intentions in addressing the health needs of four counties in the north country of New Hampshire. Because there has been a study of health needs in recent years, it was the opinion of the majority that this would not be an appropriate time to ask the University of New Hampshire to expend \$35,000 for another study. It was discussed that perhaps these four counties would meet on their own if they were convinced that an update would be appropriate. **Vote 16-3.**

HB 288, requiring nutritionally balanced meals in congregate housing. **INEXPEDIENT TO LEGISLATE.**

Rep. Joan H Schulze for Health, Human Services and Elderly Affairs: This bill was requested by the department of health and human services bureau of elderly and adult services. The majority of the committee believes that sufficient reasons were not given for eliminating a nutritional meal from a vulnerable population in a congregate setting. Appropriate nutrition is a critical component of a supportive care program. **Vote 13-4.**

HB 324, establishing a commission to study recycling of unused controlled drugs in long-term care facilities. **INEXPEDIENT TO LEGISLATE.**

Rep. Frank G Case for Health, Human Services and Elderly Affairs: This bill raised two issues which must be reviewed in the future. One is the excessive amount of dollars wasted in the destruction of controlled substance drugs and the probability of water pollution by flushing them into water systems. However, until existing federal drug laws are changed, any reuse of controlled drugs is unlawful. In addition, the Drug Enforcement Agency is working on rules for disposal of controlled substances. NHDES has also convened stakeholder meetings for the same purpose. **Vote 15-2.**

MUNICIPAL AND COUNTY GOVERNMENT

HB 60, relative to large groundwater withdrawals. **MAJORITY: INEXPEDIENT TO**

LEGISLATE. MINORITY: OUGHT TO PASS.

Rep. Raymond G Gagnon for the **Majority** of Municipal and County Government: The flow of water has no boundaries and while local concerns need to be considered, this complex issue mandates a state and regional solution. In Chapter 176 of the 2008 legislative session (HB 1353) the groundwater commission was directed to, by November 30, 2009, study criteria including benefits for the granting of large water withdrawals other than those of RSA 485-C (Groundwater Protection Act) and RSA 485-A

(which water pollution and waste disposal). The groundwater commission was updated to consider appropriate roles for municipalities in the permitting and regulation of large ground water withdrawals as well as include input from municipalities. Therefore this committee feels this bill is inexpedient to legislate as the commission needs time to accomplish its mission. **Vote 15-4.**

Rep. James M Sullivan for the **Minority** of Municipal and County Government: This bill, as proposed, returned responsibility of a local asset, groundwater, to the local community. The minority of the committee agreed with the majority that the nature, extent and capacities of aquifers within the state are unknown. It is exactly that for which is the basis of our support for local control of a finite resource which is necessary for the health, safety and welfare of every township in this state

HB 142, relative to extending municipal leases. MAJORITY: OUGHT TO PASS WITH AMENDMENT. MINORITY: INEXPEDIENT TO LEGISLATE.

Rep. Betsey L Patten for the **Majority** of Municipal and County Government: Currently the selectmen have the authority to manage all real property owned by the town provided that any rental or lease agreement for a period of more than one year has to be ratified by the vote of the town. This bill expands the power by allowing the legislative body to grant authority to the selectmen to rent or lease municipal property for a term up to 5 years without having to have that rent or lease agreement ratified annually by the legislative body. Since the legislative body only meets once a year this is the most efficient or practical way for the governing body to negotiate any leases. Adding this authority will give greater stability in leasing town property and will produce better rents for municipality. **Vote 14-1.**

Rep. Margaret M Crisler for the **Minority** of Municipal and County Government: Currently, only the legislative body may enter into multi-year leases of town real property. This bill would allow the legislative body to authorize the board of selectmen to enter into leasing agreements of up to 5 years. These agreements could be entered into at either a regularly posted board of selectmen meeting or even in a non public session, with no prior public notice that such a lease is being considered and which would not allow for public testimony. Since attention to town property by the prospective lease holder (as well as expedited approval) is the justification for this bill, the first notice of the majority of citizens would have of such action would be after the lease was finalized. It is the minority opinion that this bill would deprive citizens of timely and appropriate information about potentially vital changes to town property, as well as deprive them of the opportunity to testify about the impact of these changes.

PUBLIC WORKS AND HIGHWAYS

HB 284-FN, increasing the contract amount that triggers the bond requirement on public projects. **OUGHT TO PASS.**

Rep. Alfred C Lerandean for Public Works and Highways: The intent of this bill is to increase the bond requirements for public projects from \$25,000 to \$35,000. It does not add any costs to the state and would lower the cost to the contractor getting a bond for routine projects, thus making the project less expensive. Nothing in this bill precludes agencies from requiring a bond for a lesser amount of contract. **Vote 19-0.**

WAYS AND MEANS

HB 51-FN-A, reestablishing the initial monthly gross charge exemption to the communications services tax. **MAJORITY: INEXPEDIENT TO LEGISLATE. MINORITY: OUGHT TO PASS.**

Rep. Gilman Shattuck for the **Majority** of Ways and Means: The majority recognized that the bill

as presented had merit but determined it is not the appropriate time to remove over \$8,900,000 of revenue for the biennium. The majority also considered when the state exemption was removed it was established that all state social services would assist those in most need to access the federal tax exemption. The federal tax exemption is much greater than the 84 cents a month lost with the state exemption. **Vote 10-8.**

Rep. Jordan G Ulery for the **Minority** of Ways and Means: The bill simply grants an exemption of the first \$12.00 of your local telephone bill. In tough economic times granting this simple and small exemption is appropriate, especially to help the poorest of citizens. When it is realized that the tax imposed by RSA 82-A:3 is a steadily decreasing source of revenue because of increased wireless use, the granting of an exemption is the only right action to take. The revenue loss is estimated at around 4 million. The state can afford to buy barns at inflated prices but not help low income citizens? Take actions that have direct effect to help, not just to bolster income

HB 221-FN-A, requiring a discount to wholesalers on cash purchases of tobacco tax stamps.

INEXPEDIENT TO LEGISLATE.

Rep. John D Kelley for Ways and Means: This bill has been brought forward in each of the last two terms and defeated. In addition, the bill will cause a potential loss of \$1,628,704 from the general fund. **Vote 14-4.**

HOUSE DEADLINES

Thursday, February 19, 2009	Last day to report House bills going to a second committee
Thursday, March 5, 2009	Last day to act on House bills going to a second committee
Thursday, March 19, 2009	Last day to report all House bills not in a second committee, except budgets
Thursday, March 26, 2009	Last day to act on all House bills not in a second committee, except budgets
Thursday, April 2, 2009	Last day to report all remaining House bills Last day to report list of retained House bills
Thursday, April 9, 2009	Last day to act on House bills: CROSSOVER
Thursday, April 30, 2009	Last day to report Senate bills going to a second committee
Thursday, May 7, 2009	Last day to act on Senate bills going to a second committee
Thursday, May 28, 2009	Last day to report all remaining Senate bills Last day to report list of retained Senate bills
Thursday, June 4, 2009	Last day to act on Senate bills
Wednesday, June 10, 2009	Last day to form Committees of Conference
Thursday, June 18, 2009	Last day to sign Committee of Conference reports
Thursday, June 25, 2009	Last day to act on Committee of Conference reports

COMMITTEE MEETINGS

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 9

COMMISSION TO PROPOSE A RETIREE HEALTH CARE BENEFITS FUNDING MODEL

(HB 1645, Chapter 300:13, Laws of 2008), Room 306, LOB

10:00 a.m. Regular meeting.

COMMISSION TO STUDY AIR QUALITY ISSUES IN PUBLIC SCHOOL BUILDINGS (HB 1171, Chapter 242:1, Laws of 2008), Department of Education 101 Pleasant Street, Concord

1:00 p.m. Regular meeting.

COUNCIL TO STUDY THE RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN PUBLIC HEALTH AND THE ENVIRONMENT (RSA 125-P), Room 205, LOB

9:30 a.m. Regular meeting.

INTERAGENCY COORDINATING COUNCIL FOR WOMEN OFFENDERS (RSA 21-H:14-c), Room 100, State House

9:00 a.m. Regular meeting.

STATE PARK SYSTEM ADVISORY COUNCIL (RSA 216-A:3-k), New Hampshire Charitable Foundation, 37 Pleasant Street, Concord

9:00 a.m. Regular meeting.

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 10

CHILDREN AND FAMILY LAW, Room 206, LOB

10:00 a.m. Continued public hearing on **HB 195**, relative to relocation of a residence of a child.

10:45 a.m. **HB 467-FN**, relative to the review and adjustment of child support orders.

11:15 a.m. **HB 504**, relative to the termination of guardianship of a minor.

1:15 p.m. Executive session on **HB 38**, relative to the minimum amount of child support ordered by the court, **HB 79**, relative to use of the child support guideline worksheet, **HB 116**, relative to the membership of the legislative youth advisory council, **HB 132**, relative to access to case records of the department of health and human services, **HB 173**, relative to the basis for awarding custody to a stepparent or grandparent, **HB 180**, creating an exception from the registration requirement for certain nonviolent offenders.

COMMERCE AND CONSUMER AFFAIRS, Room 302, LOB

10:00 a.m. Continued public hearing on **HB 75**, prohibiting the use of information concerning education level to underwrite insurance coverage.

10:30 a.m. **HB 244**, relative to automobile insurance premiums.

11:00 a.m. **HB 366**, relative to retail vehicle dealers.

11:30 a.m. **HB 350**, prohibiting the sale and distribution of household cleaning products containing phosphorus.

1:30 p.m. **HB 607-FN**, relative to residential pharmaceutical waste.

CRIMINAL JUSTICE AND PUBLIC SAFETY, Room 204, LOB

9:00 a.m. Subcommittee work session on **HB 138**, revising certain provisions of the sexually violent predators statute, **HB 230**, relative to the burden of proof for a finding of abuse in domestic violence cases.

9:30 a.m. Subcommittee work session on **HB 279-FN**, relative to certain missing persons.

10:00 a.m. **HB 520**, establishing a commission to study the death penalty in New Hampshire.

11:00 a.m. **HB 512**, establishing a temporary moratorium on executions and establishing a commission to study the death penalty in New Hampshire.

Rooms 210-211, LOB (Please note room change.)

1:30 p.m. **HB 557**, requiring the attorney general to request a life sentence instead of the death penalty in certain circumstances.

2:00 p.m. **HB 556-FN**, repealing the death penalty.

6:00 p.m. Continued public hearing on **HB 556-FN**, repealing the death penalty.

EDUCATION, Room 207, LOB

- 10:00 a.m. **HB 332**, establishing a commission to study school discipline.
- 11:00 a.m. **HB 509**, requiring parental consent for psychological evaluations by school districts.
- 1:00 p.m. Executive session on **CACR 2**, relating to funding of public education. Providing that the legislature shall define standards for education, determine the level of state funding thereof, establish standards of accountability, and allocate state funds in a manner that mitigates disparities in educational opportunity and fiscal capacity, provided that a reasonable share of state funds shall be distributed on a per pupil basis, **CACR 3**, relating to public schools. Providing that: it shall be the duty of the legislature to encourage the interest of literature and the sciences and all seminaries and public schools, **HB 140-FN**, making charter schools eligible for grants for leased space, **HB 225**, relative to room and board scholarships for children of firefighters and police officers, **HB 327-FN-L**, eliminating median family income as a factor in calculating fiscal capacity disparity aid, **CACR 8**, relating to public education. Providing that the recognition of local control of education in the New Hampshire constitution is reestablished, **HB 521-FN**, relative to funding for students eligible for the free and reduced-price meal program, **HB 547-FN-L**, relative to distributions of adequate education aid, **HB 688**, relative to the chartered public school approval process and relative to open enrollment schools, **HB 689-FN-A-L**, directing aid to isolated small schools, **HB 441-FN**, relative to CART providers and sign language interpreters.

ELECTION LAW, Room 308, LOB

- 10:00 a.m. **HB 389**, relative to distributing campaign materials at polling places.
- 10:30 a.m. **HB 390**, authorizing access to the criminal justice information system for the purpose of enforcing election laws.
- 11:00 a.m. **HB 394-FN**, relative to disclosure by candidates of criminal convictions and professional license suspensions.
- 11:30 a.m. **HB 404**, relative to the procedure for listing candidates on election ballots.
- 1:00 p.m. **HB 417**, relative to electoral college electors.
- 1:30 p.m. **HB 418**, relative to presidential primary ballots.
- 2:00 p.m. **HB 439**, requiring that the question relative to the necessity for a convention to revise the New Hampshire constitution be presented to the voters in the November 2010 general election.
- 2:30 p.m. **HB 470-FN**, relative to the order of names on ballots.
- 3:00 p.m. Rescheduled public hearing on **HB 669-FN**, relative to registering to vote.

ENVIRONMENT AND AGRICULTURE, Room 104, LOB

- 10:00 a.m. Subcommittee work session on **HB 635**, relative to raw milk yogurt.
- 10:30 a.m. Subcommittee work session on **HB 247**, relative to the assistance of the state veterinarian with the investigation and enforcement of animal abuse laws.
- 11:00 a.m. Subcommittee work session on **HB48**, establishing a committee on agriculture in the classroom.

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENTS AND ADMINISTRATION, Room 306, LOB

- 9:00 a.m. Subcommittee work session on **HB 248-FN**, relative to establishing a single liquor commissioner.
- 10:15 a.m. **HB 651-FN**, relative to regulation of private investigative agencies and security services.
- 11:00 a.m. Continued public hearing on **HB 256**, relative to the New Hampshire accountancy act.
- 11:30 a.m. **HB 297**, relative to the adoption of agency forms and other rules under the administrative procedures act.
- 1:00 p.m. **HB 316**, relative to expenditures by boards and commissions for costs of

- examinations of applicants.
- 1:45 p.m. **HB 617-FN**, permitting private employers and others to join the state health insurance program.
- 2:15 p.m. Executive session on **HB 93**, relative to the minimum age for fighting sports competitions, **HB 98**, relative to reinstatement of lapsed licenses of speech-language pathologists, **HB 268**, relative to transfers from the judicial branch to the executive or legislative branches of state government, **HB 243**, authorizing the designation of special assistant attorneys general, **HB 599-FN**, relative to reclassification of the position of forensic toxicologist in the department of safety.

FINANCE – (DIVISION I), Room 212, LOB

- 10:00 a.m. Briefings with LBA.

FINANCE – (DIVISION II), Rooms 210-211, LOB

- 10:00 a.m. Briefings with LBA.

FINANCE – (DIVISION III), Room 209, LOB

- 10:00 a.m. Briefings with LBA.

FINANCE – (DIVISION III) JOINT WITH HEALTH, HUMAN SERVICES AND ELDERLY AFFAIRS, Room 205, LOB

- 1:00 p.m. Briefing by A.E. "Gus" Adams, William Lewis, and Jean Sullivan on the UMASS Medical School Commonwealth Medicine Final Report: Analyzing the Impact of a Proposed Change in the New Hampshire Disability Duration Requirement.

FISH AND GAME AND MARINE RESOURCES, Room 307, LOB

- 10:00 a.m. **HB 526**, changing certain references in fish and game laws to river herring.
- 10:15 a.m. **HB 612**, relative to the effect of a suspension or revocation of a fish and game license from another jurisdiction.
- 11:00 a.m. Executive session on **HB 545-FN**, relative to the wildlife damage control program in the fish and game department, **HB 549**, relative to the taking of snapping turtles.
- 1:00 p.m. **HB 481-FN-A**, establishing a recreational saltwater license for taking finfish in coastal and estuarine waters.

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

- 9:00 a.m. Subcommittee work session on **HB 250**, relative to access to information in the abuse and neglect of adults registry and relative to persons providing child care or child placing services who are charged with a crime.
- 10:00 a.m. **HB 479-FN**, relative to time limits on eligibility for Temporary Assistance to Needy Families (TANF).
- 10:45 a.m. **HB 658-FN**, relative to housing assistance for recipients of Temporary Assistance to Needy Families (TANF).
- 11:30 a.m. **HB 497**, relative to the automated external defibrillator advisory commission.
- 2:00 p.m. **HB 606-FN**, relative to aid to the disabled.
- 3:00 p.m. **HB 495**, requiring physicians to disclose to their patients that they do not make regular hospital visits.

HEALTH, HUMAN SERVICES AND ELDERLY AFFAIRS JOINT WITH FINANCE – (DIVISION III), Room 205, LOB

- 1:00 p.m. Briefing by A.E. "Gus" Adams, William Lewis, and Jean Sullivan on the UMASS Medical School Commonwealth Medicine Final Report: Analyzing the Impact of a Proposed Change in the New Hampshire Disability Duration Requirement.

JUDICIARY, Room 208, LOB

- 10:00 a.m. **HB 50**, repealing the law relative to screening panels for medical injury claims.
- 10:30 a.m. **HB 572-FN**, making pretrial screening panels optional for parties to a medical

- injury action.
- 11:00 a.m. **HB 203**, eliminating the requirement that the trial judge present unanimous findings of the screening panel to the jury in medical injury actions.
- 1:00 p.m. **HB 197**, relative to apportionment of damages in civil actions.
- 1:30 p.m. **HB 201**, requiring the agreement of 10 jurors on issues of liability or damages for jury verdicts in trials of civil actions.
- 2:00 p.m. **HB 438**, relative to admission into evidence of certain medical bills, reports, and records.
- 2:30 p.m. **HB 333**, relative to fences as private nuisances.

LOCAL AND REGULATED REVENUES, Room 303, LOB

- 10:00 a.m. **HB 630-FN-A**, relative to live racing in New Hampshire.
- 10:45 a.m. **HB 624-FN-A**, establishing a waiver option for live-racing tracks.
- 11:30 a.m. **HB 82**, establishing a committee to study the homestead right.
- 1:00 p.m. Continued public hearings on **HB 461-FN-A**, establishing a state-owned casino to provide funds for public education and **HB 593-FN-A**, authorizing the licensing and construction of destination resorts with gaming facilities including table gaming and video lottery machines, and authorizing gaming facilities at existing pari-mutuel licensees, including table gaming and video machines.
- 2:00 p.m. **HB 107**, making technical corrections to the law on taxation of farm structures and land under farm structures.

MUNICIPAL AND COUNTY GOVERNMENT, Room 301, LOB

- 1:00 p.m. **HB 393-L**, authorizing municipalities to publish electronic legal notices.
- 1:30 p.m. **HB 468-FN-L**, relative to caps on total billings by the state to the counties for nursing home care.
- 2:30 p.m. **HB 646-FN-L**, relative to county and state obligations for costs for nursing care and services, and for court orders for children services.

PUBLIC WORKS AND HIGHWAYS, Room 201, LOB

- 10:15 a.m. Executive session on **HB 511-FN**, relative to a corridor study of Route 33, **HB 494-FN-A**, appropriating funds for construction of public facilities at Hampton Beach, **HB 551-FN-A**, making an appropriation for the painting of the arch bridge across the Connecticut River in Chesterfield, **HB 608-FN**, establishing a committee to oversee the design and construction of a public works employee memorial for public works employees who died in the course of performing public duties, **HB 687-FN-A**, establishing a radiological emergency evacuation infrastructure program.
- 11:15 a.m. **HB 570-FN-A**, requiring the department of transportation to convey ownership of Skyhaven airport to the Pease development authority.
- 1:00 p.m. **HB 657-FN-LOCAL**, relative to the responsibility of the state for the infrastructure of state roads that run through certain towns.
- 1:30 p.m. **HB 671-FN**, amending the motorist service signing program to allow the department of transportation to charge a fee for attraction signs.
- 2:00 p.m. **HB 670-FN**, relative to the discount rate used in the electronic toll collection for frequent users.
- 2:15 p.m. Public hearing on proposed amendment to **HB 670-FN**, relative to the discount rate used in the electronic toll collection for frequent users. The proposed amendment EZ Pass transponder charge shall be a maximum monthly fee of \$30.00 for an unlimited number of tolls in NH during the month. Copies of the proposed amendment are available from the Sergeant-at-Arms office.
- 2:30 p.m. **HB 391**, authorizing the department of transportation to convey a portion of interstate highways to the bureau of turnpikes, to redefine the eastern New Hampshire turnpike, and to increase the aggregate amount of bonds the state may issue.

RESOURCES, RECREATION AND DEVELOPMENT, Room 305, LOB

- 9:30 a.m. Subcommittee work session on **HB 205-FN-A**, relative to certain boating fees.
10:30 a.m. **HB 538-FN**, relative to penalties for water pollution.
12:30 p.m. **HB 473-FN**, relative to water treatment plants and penalties for safe drinking water violations.
1:30 p.m. **HB 502**, modifying the definition of "dam."
2:30 p.m. Subcommittee work session on **HB222**, relative to fill and dredge permits in wetlands.

SCIENCE, TECHNOLOGY AND ENERGY, Room 304, LOB

- 9:00 a.m. Rescheduled full committee work session on **HB 213-FN**, requiring the bureau of emergency communications to develop and maintain a statewide emergency notification system.
10:00 a.m. **HB 375**, establishing a committee to study whether renters should be eligible for weatherization programs administered by the office of energy and planning.
11:00 a.m. **HB 354**, establishing a committee to study local government eligibility for certain funding for energy efficiency improvements.

TRANSPORTATION, Room 203, LOB

- 10:00 a.m. Executive session on **HB 112**, relative to addresses on motor vehicle registrations, **HB 162**, relative to recycled and rebuilt vehicles, **HB 259-FN**, relative to motor vehicle inspections, **HB 211-FN**, relative to drivers' licenses and relative to the definition of "drivers' school", **HB 215**, making technical corrections to certain OHRV and snowmobile laws, **HB 294**, prohibiting writing a text message while driving, **HB 383**, relative to passenger restraints, **HB 528-FN**, establishing a restricted driver's license for work-related transportation, **HB 571-FN**, relative to limited driving privileges for certain persons whose licenses have been revoked or suspended and relative to DWI convictions.
11:30 a.m. **HB 629-FN-A**, revising certain motor vehicle laws.
1:00 p.m. **HB 465-FN-A**, relative to driver's license fees.
1:30 p.m. **HB 576-FN**, establishing number plates supporting New Hampshire public higher education.
2:00 p.m. **HB 640-FN**, relative to speed limits and keeping right except to pass.

WAYS AND MEANS, Room 202, LOB

- 10:00 a.m. Full committee work session on Revenue Estimates.
1:00 p.m. **HB 540-FN-A**, relative to fees for motor vehicle records.
1:15 p.m. **HB 533-FN-A**, reducing the rates of the business profits tax and the business enterprise tax.
1:30 p.m. **HB 679-FN-A**, establishing an exemption from the interest and dividends tax for individuals who are 62 years of age or older.
1:45 p.m. **HB 562-FN-A**, establishing a job creation tax credit for the town of Greenville.
2:00 p.m. **HB 600-FN**, relative to dedicated funds maintained by the state treasurer.
2:30 p.m. **HB 583-FN-A-L**, establishing an income tax to adequately fund public education and relative to employment of teachers.
3:00 p.m. Executive session on **HB 457-FN-A**, increasing the standard exemption under the interest and dividends tax, **HB 516-FN**, abolishing fees for nondriver's picture identification cards, **HB 412-FN-A**, relative to the research and development tax credit, **HB 435-FN-A**, relative to sales of tobacco products in state liquor stores and reducing the rate of the tobacco tax, **HB 472-FN-A**, establishing a tax on the sale of permissible fireworks.

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 11**COMMERCE AND CONSUMER AFFAIRS, Room 302, LOB**

- 10:00 a.m. Executive session on **HB 330**, relative to life, accident, and health insurance, **HB 507-FN**, relative to taxes, fees, and credits under the insurance laws, **HB 661-FN**, relative to family leave insurance, **HB 602-FN-A**, relative to costs associated with cashing payroll checks, **HB 610-FN**, relative to consumer protection from certain practices of mortgage bankers, mortgage brokers, and mortgage loan originators and implementing the S.A.F.E. mortgage licensing act, **HB 431-FN**, requiring certain engine coolants and antifreeze to include an aversive agent so that they are rendered unpalatable, **HB 564-FN**, relative to wheelchair van accessible parking spaces, **HB 392-FN**, establishing a cigar bar liquor license.
- 1:30 p.m. **HB 299**, prohibiting banks from requiring blood samples, fingerprints, and DNA samples in order to complete a banking transaction.
- 2:00 p.m. **HB 334-FN**, relative to consumer credit.
- 2:30 p.m. **HB 616**, relative to banking overdraft fees.
- 3:00 p.m. **HB 618**, relative to identification required by banks.

CRIMINAL JUSTICE AND PUBLIC SAFETY, Room 204, LOB

- 9:00 a.m. Subcommittee work session on **HB 214**, establishing a commission to study health care services in correctional facilities and relative to regulation of prescription medication interruptions by corrections staff and access to inmates by medical, mental health, and social services providers.

EDUCATION, Room 207, LOB

- 9:00 a.m. Subcommittee work session on **HB 123**, requiring a financial literacy component within the high school economics course.
- 10:00 a.m. **HB 527**, repealing the coordinated school health committee and relative to health education in kindergarten through grade 12.
- 10:30 a.m. **HB 560**, relative to the use of state education funds for extended learning opportunities for certain pupils.

Representatives Hall

- 1:00 p.m. **HB 368**, relative to annual goals in a home education program.
- 2:00 p.m. **HB 367**, relative to procedures for evaluation of home schooled students.

ELECTION LAW, Rooms 210-211, LOB

- 9:30 a.m. Rescheduled public hearing on **HB 506**, authorizing absentee voting by election officers.
- 10:00 a.m. Rescheduled public hearing on **HB 513**, relative to the prohibition on voting in more than one state.
- 10:30 a.m. Rescheduled public hearing on **HB 541**, relative to placement and removal of political advertising.
- 11:00 a.m. Rescheduled public hearing on **HB 548-FN-L**, requiring municipalities to have dedicated post office boxes for receipt of absentee ballots.
- 11:30 a.m. Rescheduled public hearing on **HB 573-FN**, relative to absentee voting.
- 1:00 p.m. Rescheduled public hearing on **HB 614**, relative to domicile of students for voting purposes.
- 1:30 p.m. Rescheduled public hearing on **HB 620**, disqualifying certain persons from performing duties as an election official.
- 2:00 p.m. Rescheduled public hearing on **HB 622**, amending the hearing dates of the ballot law commission.
- 2:30 p.m. Rescheduled public hearing on **HB 623**, making various changes to the election laws.
- 3:00 p.m. Rescheduled public hearing on **HB 667-FN**, relative to misrepresenting the origin of a campaign call.

ENVIRONMENT AND AGRICULTURE, Room 308, LOB

- 9:00 a.m. **HB 675-FN**, requiring a refundable deposit on beverage containers.

- 10:30 a.m. **HB 337-FN-L**, permitting the issue of temporary licenses for certain sellers of animals.
- 1:00 p.m. Executive session on **HB 42-FN**, allowing the state veterinarian to employ a meat inspection services administrator, **HB 232**, permitting the pesticide control board to establish pesticide fees, **HB 283-FN**, establishing a solid waste management fund and assessing a beverage container fee.

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENTS AND ADMINISTRATION, Room 306, LOB

- 8:30 a.m. Subcommittee work session on **HB 420-FN**, relative to the determination of gainful occupation for a group II member receiving an accidental disability retirement allowance from the retirement system, **HB 590-FN**, relative to the retirement age for group II members, **HB 632-FN**, relative to including fully certified police officers of the New Hampshire hospital campus force in group II of the retirement system, **HB 223-FN-L**, establishing a moratorium on the implementation of the retirement system employer assessments for excess benefits.
- 9:00 a.m. Subcommittee work session on **HB 598-FN**, relative to the regulation of auctioneers by the state board of auctioneers.
- 10:00 a.m. **HB 289**, relative to the requiring financial and business management experience for membership on the board of trustees of the New Hampshire retirement system.
- 10:45 a.m. **HB 335**, relative to the state retiree health plan commission.
- 11:30 a.m. **HB 685-FN**, relative to medical benefits payment by the retirement system for certain vested deferred group I members.
- 1:15 p.m. **HB 633-FN**, relative to eligibility for medical benefits payment by the retirement system for certain group I teacher and political subdivision employee members.
- 2:00 p.m. **HB 641-FN-L**, relative to the determination of employer assessments for excess benefits paid by employers in the retirement system.
- 2:45 p.m. **HB 591-FN**, relative to the maximum initial retirement benefit for retirees in the New Hampshire retirement system.

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

- 9:30 a.m. **HB 544**, relative to data collected by health care facilities.
- 10:00 a.m. Executive session on **HB 81**, prohibiting smoking within 25 feet of playgrounds, **HB 126-FN**, relative to the voluntary certification of health officers by a health officer credentialing board., **HB 226-FN**, relative to the lead paint poisoning law, **HB 400-FN-A**, relative to Medicaid reimbursement rates for personal care attendants and personal care services providers and making an appropriation therefor, **HB 486-FN**, prohibiting the department of health and human services from entering into a contract with Planned Parenthood Federation of America, Inc. or any organization that provides abortion services, **HB 495**, requiring physicians to disclose to their patients that they do not make regular hospital visits.
- 11:00 a.m. **HB 505**, waiving medical records fees for persons applying for Supplemental Security Income (SSI) or Social Security Disability Income (SSDI).
- 1:00 p.m. **HB 536**, relative to smoking in and around health care facilities.
- 2:00 p.m. **HB 693**, relative to emergency generators in residential care facilities.

JUDICIARY, Room 208, LOB

- 9:45 a.m. Subcommittee work session on **HB 118**, relative to periodic payments of judgments.
- 10:00 a.m. **HB 625-FN**, relative to court security screening procedures.
- 10:30 a.m. **HB 655-FN**, extending senior active status to judges over 70 years of age.
- 11:00 a.m. **HB 677-FN**, allowing part-time district court justices and probate court judges to sit as senior active status judges upon retirement.
- 11:30 a.m. **HB 325**, establishing standards for adequate service of process.
- 1:00 p.m. **HB 274-FN**, requiring parental notification before abortions may be performed on unemancipated minors.
- 2:00 p.m. **HB 531-FN**, relative to parental notification prior to abortions being performed on

minors.

LABOR, INDUSTRIAL AND REHABILITATIVE SERVICES, Room 307, LOB

- 9:00 a.m. Subcommittee work session on **HB 103**, relative to paying discharged and laid off employees in full at the time of discharge.
- 9:30 a.m. Subcommittee work session on **HB 271**, relative to relevant information in a workers' compensation claim.
- 10:00 a.m. **HB 46**, relative to dispute resolution within the context of public employee dispute resolution.
- 11:30 a.m. Executive session on **HB 103**, relative to paying discharged and laid off employees in full at the time of discharge, **HB 164**, relative to repayment of loans under the workforce incentive program, **HB 216-FN**, relative to fees for legal services rendered to workers' compensation claimants, **HB 146-FN-L**, relative to the minimum wage, **HB 343**, relative to payroll deductions, **HB 411**, relative to the safety of retirement accounts, **HB 662-FN**, relative to paid sick leave for employees, **HB 663-FN**, relative to working families' flexibility, **HB 271**, relative to relevant information in a workers' compensation claim.
- 1:00 p.m. **HB 305**, relative to public employees' right to strike.
- 2:30 p.m. **HB 500**, repealing the authority for an exclusive representative of an employee organization to conduct collective bargaining for employees.

LOCAL AND REGULATED REVENUES, Room 303, LOB

- 10:00 a.m. **HB 487**, allowing municipalities to adopt a property tax exemption for compliance with green building standards.
- 10:30 a.m. **HB 522**, allowing municipalities to adopt a road maintenance property tax credit for resident unit owners in an over-55 condominium community.
- 11:00 a.m. **HB 676-FN-L**, relative to the reappraisal for tax purposes of property damaged by a natural disaster.
- 1:00 p.m. **HB 596-FN-L**, relative to establishing a property tax credit for all taxpayers whose property taxes exceed 10 percent of household income.
- 1:30 p.m. **HB 309**, enabling towns and cities to establish a local revenue option as an alternative to property taxation for the funding of local government costs.
- 2:00 p.m. Executive session on **HB 155**, allowing municipalities to adopt a non-wartime veterans' property tax credit, **HB 188**, enabling municipalities to extend the veterans' property tax credit to all honorably discharged veterans, **HB 159**, relative to the county tax payment by the town of Milan, **HB 298**, excluding the value of a view from determination of market value for property tax assessments, **HB 91**, allowing municipalities to extend the veterans' tax credit to veterans who do not have service in a war or conflict, and relative to the definition of veteran.

MUNICIPAL AND COUNTY GOVERNMENT, Room 301, LOB

- 10:00 a.m. **HB 539-L**, relative to town boundaries and the laws pertaining to such boundaries
- 10:30 a.m. **SB 38**, relative to placing vote tallies on town and school district ballots.
- 11:00 a.m. Subcommittee work session on **HB 33**, amending the Concord school district charter, **HB 319**, revising the charter of the union school district of Concord.
- 1:00 p.m. Subcommittee work session on **HB 43**, relative to subdivision and site plan regulation waivers.

PUBLIC WORKS AND HIGHWAYS, Room 201, LOB

- 10:00 a.m. Executive session on **HB 670-FN**, relative to the discount rate used in the electronic toll collection for frequent users, **HB 671-FN**, amending the motorist service signing program to allow the department of transportation to charge a fee for attraction signs, **HB 391**, authorizing the department of transportation to convey a portion of interstate highways to the bureau of turnpikes, to redefine the eastern New Hampshire turnpike, and to increase the aggregate amount of bonds

the state may issue, **HB 603-FN-A**, relative to the construction of an Old Man of the Mountain monument on the shore of Profile Lake and making an appropriation therefor, rescheduled executive session on **HB 185-FN**, relative to the installation of sound barriers along a certain segment of the F.E. Everett turnpike in the town of Merrimack, and rescheduled executive session on **HB 450**, relative to the state 10-year transportation improvement program and **HB 437**, relative to the operation of the Chesterfield welcome and information center.

RESOURCES, RECREATION AND DEVELOPMENT, Room 305, LOB

10:00 a.m. Executive session on **HB 150-FN**, relative to removing invasive aquatic growth, **HB 176**, relative to the Monadnock advisory commission, **HB 218-FN**, relative to the state park fund, **HB 443**, relative to underground storage facility operator training, **HB 469-FN-A-L**, relative to acquisition by the state of 2 parcels of land in Peterborough and making an appropriation therefor, **HB 473-FN**, relative to water treatment plants and penalties for safe drinking water violations, **HB 490-FN-A-L**, establishing a shorefront maintenance fee, **HB 503-FN**, relative to the state's authority to lease submerged land, **HB 537-FN**, relative to penalties for oil spills, **HB 538-FN**, relative to penalties for water pollution, **HB 566-FN**, relative to the regulation of backflow protection technicians.

SCIENCE, TECHNOLOGY AND ENERGY, Room 304, LOB

9:30 a.m. **HB 395**, requiring electric utilities to offer a renewable default energy service option.

TRANSPORTATION, Room 203, LOB

9:30 a.m. **HB 683-FN-A-L**, relative to disposition of motor vehicle fines, relative to fines for speed limit violations, and requiring the department of safety to inform drivers of changes to the motor vehicle laws.

10:00 a.m. **HB 546-FN**, relative to authorizing temporary registrations of off-highway recreational vehicles and snowmobiles for nonresidents and increasing the agent fee.

11:00 a.m. Executive session on **HB 465-FN-A**, relative to driver's license fees, **HB 629-FN-A**, revising certain motor vehicle laws, **HB 576-FN**, establishing number plates supporting New Hampshire public higher education, **HB 640-FN**, relative to speed limits and keeping right except to pass, **HB 683-FN-A-L**, relative to disposition of motor vehicle fines, relative to fines for speed limit violations, and requiring the department of safety to inform drivers of changes to the motor vehicle laws, **HB 546-FN**, relative to authorizing temporary registrations of off-highway recreational vehicles and snowmobiles for nonresidents and increasing the agent fee.

WAYS AND MEANS, Room 202, LOB

10:00 a.m. **HB 85-FN-A**, establishing the women, infants and children program fund.

10:15 a.m. **HB 597-FN-A-L**, revising the property tax relief program in order to cap education tax payments at one percent of adjusted gross income.

10:30 a.m. **HB 627-FN**, relative to the insurance premium tax.

11:00 a.m. **HB 656-FN-L**, relative to collection of the education property tax and establishing a program to rebate certain excessive property tax payments of eligible taxpayers.

1:00 p.m. **HB 691-FN-A**, relative to the New Hampshire estate tax.

1:30 p.m. **HB 543-FN-A**, establishing an inheritance tax on property received by collateral heirs.

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 12

COMMERCE AND CONSUMER AFFAIRS, Room 302, LOB

2:00 p.m. **HB 605**, relative to employment of minors by liquor licensees.

2:30 p.m. **HB 636-FN**, relative to direct shipment of alcoholic beverages.

CRIMINAL JUSTICE AND PUBLIC SAFETY, Room 204, LOB

1:45 p.m. Or thirty minutes after session, continued public hearing on **HB 160**, relative to physical force in defense of a person.

2:00 p.m. Or immediately following the public hearing on **HB 160**, executive session on **HB 601-FN**, relative to claims for compensation from the victims' assistance fund, **HB 611-FN**, relative to suspension of a driver's license for gasoline theft, **HB 637-FN**, relative to bail agents and recovery agents, **HB 647-FN**, relative to motor vehicle fines and violations, **HB 653-FN**, relative to service animals, **HB 555-FN**, decriminalizing possession of one ounce or less of marijuana.

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENTS AND ADMINISTRATION, Room 306, LOB

2:00 p.m. Or one hour after session, executive session on **HB 420-FN**, relative to the determination of gainful occupation for a group II member receiving an accidental disability retirement allowance from the retirement system, **HB 632-FN**, relative to including fully certified police officers of the New Hampshire hospital campus force in group II of the retirement system, **HB 223-FN-L**, establishing a moratorium on the implementation of the retirement system employer assessments for excess benefits, **HB 598-FN**, relative to the regulation of auctioneers by the state board of auctioneers, **HB 174-FN**, establishing a performance measurement system for state agencies, **HB 590-FN**, relative to the retirement age for group II members.

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

2:00 p.m. **HB 594-FN**, relative to the medicaid pharmacy benefits management program.

2:30 p.m. **HB 483**, establishing the developmental services quality council.

JUDICIARY, Room 208, LOB

2:00 p.m. Executive session on **HB 157**, relative to library patron records, **HB 89**, exempting certain information relating to suicides from the right-to-know law, **HB 206**, relative to retention of governmental records under the right-to-know law, **HB 65**, establishing a commission to study the application of criminal law in landlord-tenant matters, **HB 171**, establishing a commission to evaluate mental health courts and establish standards for the operation of mental health courts, **HB 217**, relative to gender neutral references in court documents, **HB 145**, repealing the law allowing assignment of superior court justices to hear cases in the district court, **HB 118**, relative to periodic payments of judgments.

LABOR, INDUSTRIAL AND REHABILITATIVE SERVICES, Room 307, LOB

2:00 p.m. Subcommittee work session on **HB 108**, establishing an employers' private right of action to enforce the payment of workers' compensation coverage.

MUNICIPAL AND COUNTY GOVERNMENT, Room 301, LOB

2:00 p.m. Subcommittee work session on **HB 377**, relative to extending certain dates for town budget preparation.

RESOURCES, RECREATION AND DEVELOPMENT, Room 305, LOB

2:30 p.m. **HB 558-FN**, establishing procedures for leasing state parks for use by private entities.

SCIENCE, TECHNOLOGY AND ENERGY, Room 304, LOB

2:15 p.m. Continued executive session on **HB 55**, relative to the definition of "bulk power supply facilities," **HB 117**, repealing the gas utility restructuring oversight committee.

STATE FEDERAL RELATIONS AND VETERANS AFFAIRS, Room 203, LOB

2:00 p.m. Executive session on **HB 90-FN**, relative to the employment of veterans on

Veterans' Day, **HB 295**, relative to mental health treatment for members of the armed forces and veterans convicted of crimes, **HCR 1**, urging congress to withdraw the United States from the Security and Prosperity Partnership of North America, **HCR 3**, recommending a statement of principles on international trade, **HCR 4**, supporting the Basel Convention on the international shipment of hazardous waste, **HCR 5**, urging Congress to enact a system of voluntary public funding for all federal elections, **HCR 6**, affirming States' rights based on Jeffersonian principles.

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 13

COMMISSION TO RECOMMEND POLICIES AND PROGRAMS RELATED TO INCREASING THE NUMBER OF NEW HAMPSHIRE INDIVIDUALS IN HEALTH PROFESSIONS SERVICING RURAL AND UNDERSERVED AREAS WITH A FOCUS ON PRIMARY CARE (HB 1615, Chapter 367:3, Laws of 2008), Room 205, LOB

11:00 a.m. Regular meeting.

CRIMINAL JUSTICE AND PUBLIC SAFETY

10:00 a.m. Leave from the LOB for a tour of the NH Women's State Prison in Goffstown and the Women's Transitional Housing unit at the Shea Farm in Concord. Lunch will not be provided so members are requested to bring a bag lunch.

ENERGY EFFICIENCY AND SUSTAINABLE ENERGY BOARD (RSA 125-O:5-a), Public Utilities Commission Office, Room 103, 21 South Fruit Street, Concord

9:00 a.m. Regular meeting.

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

9:00 a.m. Regular business.

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

1:00 p.m. Regular meeting.

NEW HAMPSHIRE COMMISSION ON DEAFNESS AND HEARING LOSS (RSA 125-Q), Room 205, LOB

1:30 p.m. Regular meeting.

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 17

CHILDREN AND FAMILY LAW, Room 206, LOB

9:00 a.m. Subcommittee work session on **HB 66**, relative to the legal age for blood donations.

COMMERCE AND CONSUMER AFFAIRS, Room 302, LOB

10:00 a.m. Executive session on **HB 636-FN**, relative to direct shipment of alcoholic beverages.

10:15 a.m. Rescheduled public hearing on **HB 660-FN**, relative to the life settlements act.

11:00 a.m. **HB 668-FN**, relative to a life settlements model act.

1:00 p.m. **HB 416**, relative to insurance examinations.

1:30 p.m. **HB 659-FN**, relative to insurance fraud.

2:00 p.m. **HB 680**, making technical changes in the insurance laws.

EDUCATION, Room 207, LOB

10:00 a.m. **HB 615**, relative to withdrawal from a school administrative unit.

11:00 a.m. **HCR 7**, in support of teen dating violence education.

ELECTION LAW, Room 308, LOB

10:00 a.m. Rescheduled executive session on **HB 389**, relative to distributing campaign materials at polling places, **HB 390**, authorizing access to the criminal justice

information system for the purpose of enforcing election laws, **HB 394-FN**, relative to disclosure by candidates of criminal convictions and professional license suspensions, **HB 404**, relative to the procedure for listing candidates on election ballots, **HB 417**, relative to electoral college electors, **HB 418**, relative to presidential primary ballots, **HB 439**, requiring that the question relative to the necessity for a convention to revise the New Hampshire constitution be presented to the voters in the November 2010 general election, **HB 470-FN**, relative to the order of names on ballots, **HB 506**, authorizing absentee voting by election officers, **HB 541**, relative to placement and removal of political advertising, **HB 548-FN-L**, requiring municipalities to have dedicated post office boxes for receipt of absentee ballots, **HB 573-FN**, relative to absentee voting, **HB 614**, relative to domicile of students for voting purposes, **HB 620**, disqualifying certain persons from performing duties as an election official, **HB 622**, amending the hearing dates of the ballot law commission, **HB 623**, making various changes to the election laws, **HB 667-FN**, relative to misrepresenting the origin of a campaign call, **HB 669-FN**, relative to registering to vote, **HB 513**, relative to the prohibition on voting in more than one state.

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENTS AND ADMINISTRATION, Room 306, LOB

- 10:15 a.m. **HB 356**, relative to required training for chiropractors performing spinal manipulation or spinal adjustment.
- 11:15 a.m. **HB 408-FN**, relative to the regulation of physicians and physician assistants by the board of medicine.
- 1:15 p.m. **HB 519**, relative to supervision of state employees who are related by birth or marriage.
- 2:00 p.m. **HB 464-FN**, relative to certain duties of the department of administrative services and relative to credit card contracts for state agencies.

FINANCE, Rooms 210-211, LOB

- 10:00 a.m. Governor's Budget Presentations.
- Budget Presentations:
- 11:00 a.m. Judicial Branch.
- 1:00 p.m. Department of Environmental Services.
- 2:00 p.m. University System of NH.
- 3:00 p.m. Department of Safety

FISH AND GAME AND MARINE RESOURCES, Room 307, LOB

- 10:00 a.m. **HB 559**, relative to the composition and duties of, and appointment to, the fish and game commission.
- 1:00 p.m. Executive session on **HB 526**, changing certain references in fish and game laws to river herring, **HB 559**, relative to the composition and duties of, and appointment to, the fish and game commission, **HB 612**, relative to the effect of a suspension or revocation of a fish and game license from another jurisdiction.

JUDICIARY, Room 208, LOB

- 10:00 a.m. Executive session on **HB 263-FN-L**, eliminating the charge against the state for sheriffs' service of process for indigent plaintiffs, **HB 275-FN**, increasing the state reimbursement amounts for payment of bailiffs, **HB 281-FN**, increasing the maximum amount of debt or damages for small claims actions and requiring mediation for small claims actions exceeding \$5,000 and establishing a fee for the cost of such mediation, **HB 285-FN**, authorizing the supreme court to establish a fee to be imposed when a court extends the time for payment of a fine, **HB 310-FN**, relative to reimbursement of mileage for judges and marital masters, **HB 344-FN**, establishing the number of associate justices of the superior court, **HB 425-FN-A-L**, relative to remedies under the state right-to-know law and continually

appropriating a special fund, **HB 563-FN-A**, establishing a fund to provide loans to allow low and moderate income plaintiffs to retain expert witnesses in civil cases and making an appropriation therefor, **HB 609-FN-A**, establishing a judicial branch information technology fund, **HB 682-FN**, relative to court security and court security officers.

Rescheduled executive session on **HB 70**, relative to taking stones from stone walls.

MUNICIPAL AND COUNTY GOVERNMENT, Room 301, LOB

11:00 a.m. Executive session on **HB 539-L**, relative to town boundaries and the laws pertaining to such boundaries, **HB 468-FN-L**, relative to caps on total billings by the state to the counties for nursing home care, **HB 646-FN-L**, relative to county and state obligations for costs for nursing care and services, and for court orders for children services, **HB 257**, relative to warrant articles at official ballot meetings, **HB 308**, allowing a town budget committee to establish an alternative date for its public hearing, **HB 361**, relative to the default budget in certain towns, **HB 326**, relative to certain municipal revolving funds, **HB 290**, authorizing fluvial erosion hazard zoning, **HB 320-L**, relative to agreements between central business service districts and municipalities for infrastructure improvements, **HB 362**, relative to zoning districts, **HB 306**, allowing towns to apply for certification of local building codes for compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act., **HB 388**, relative to permitting village district commissioners to apply for certain bridge aid, **HB 152**, relative to storage of architectural blueprints by municipalities.

SCIENCE, TECHNOLOGY AND ENERGY, Room 304, LOB

10:00 a.m. **HB 269-FN**, requiring measurement of carbon dioxide produced and sequestered in this state.

1:00 p.m. **HB 303-FN**, relative to motor vehicle emissions and motor vehicle idling.

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 19

COMMERCE AND CONSUMER AFFAIRS, Room 302, LOB

10:00 a.m. **HB 376**, relative to condominium governance.

10:30 a.m. **HB 442**, relative to the review and amendment of condominium bylaws.

11:00 a.m. **HB 482**, relative to mold assessment, testing, and remediation.

11:30 a.m. **HB 492**, requiring certification for persons performing radon tests.

1:00 p.m. **HB 530-FN**, relative to inspection of public buildings for compliance with access standards.

1:30 p.m. **HB 535**, requiring dwelling units to have functioning smoke detectors upon their sale or transfer.

2:00 p.m. **HB 346**, relative to real estate developers creating space for drying laundry without electricity or gas.

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENTS AND ADMINISTRATION, Room 306, LOB

10:00 a.m. **HB 52-FN**, relative to the regulation of massage therapists.

11:00 a.m. **HB 84-FN**, relative to the regulation of reflexologists, structural integrators, and Asian bodywork therapists.

1:00 p.m. **HB 488**, establishing a commission to study the efficiency and responsiveness of state government.

1:45 p.m. **HB 510**, relative to the position of director of vital records administration.

FINANCE, Rooms 210-211, LOB

Budget presentations:

9:00 a.m. Department of Administrative Services.

10:00 a.m. Department of Health and Human Services.

1:00 p.m. Department of Corrections.

2:00 p.m. Community Technical College System.
3:00 p.m. Department of Transportation.

JUDICIARY, Room 208, LOB

10:00 a.m. **HB 219**, relative to hearings for incapacitated persons admitted to state institutions by their guardians.
11:00 a.m. **HB 304**, relative to death with dignity for certain persons suffering from a terminal condition.
1:00 p.m. **HB 456**, establishing a committee to study the definition of surviving issue.
1:30 p.m. **HB 480-FN**, relative to the definition of "public use" regarding eminent domain.
2:00 p.m. **HB 574-FN-L**, authorizing liens for unpaid building code violations and requiring landlord agents for restricted rental property.

MUNICIPAL AND COUNTY GOVERNMENT, Room 301, LOB

10:00 a.m. Continued executive session, as needed, from February 17.

SCIENCE, TECHNOLOGY AND ENERGY, Room 304, LOB

10:00 a.m. **HB 413**, relative to alternative regulation of small incumbent local exchange carriers.

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 20

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

9:00 a.m. Regular meeting.

CRIMINAL JUSTICE AND PUBLIC SAFETY, 2nd Floor Conference Room, Department of Safety, 33 Hazen Drive, Concord

10:00 a.m. Tour of the State Police Criminal Laboratory.

State Fire Academy, Route 106, Concord

1:00 p.m. Tour of the State Fire Academy.

NEW HAMPSHIRE RAIL TRANSIT AUTHORITY BOARD OF DIRECTORS (RSA 238-A:2), Rooms 201-203, LOB

10:00 a.m. Regular meeting.

MONDAY, MARCH 2

COMMISSION ON THE PREVENTION OF CHILDHOOD OBESITY (HB 1422, Chapter 219:1, Laws of 2008), Room 207, LOB

10:00 a.m. Regular meeting.

COMMISSION TO STUDY THE ISSUE OF STORMWATER MANAGEMENT (HB 1295, Chapter 71:1, Laws of 2008), Room 305, LOB

11:30 a.m. Regular meeting.

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

9:00 a.m. Regular meeting.

TUESDAY, MARCH 3

JUDICIARY, Room 208, LOB

11:00 a.m. **HB 73**, relative to the solemnization of marriage.
11:30 a.m. **HB 396**, relative to the solemnization of marriage.
1:00 p.m. **HB 634**, authorizing civil unions between one man and one woman.
1:30 p.m. **HB 684**, allowing persons of the opposite sex to enter civil unions, eliminating certain prohibitions on same-sex civil unions, and clarifying that no person shall be

a party to both a civil union and a marriage, unless the parties to the marriage are legally separated.
2:00 p.m. **HB 686**, relative to complaint procedures in cases before the commission for human rights.

STATE VETERANS' ADVISORY COMMITTEE (RSA 115-A:2), NH National Guard, Joint Forces Headquarters Readiness Center, Concord

5:00 p.m. Regular meeting.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 4

EDUCATION OF CHILDREN WITH DISABILITIES ADVISORY COMMITTEE (RSA 186-C:3-b), Department of Education, Londergan Hall, Room 15, 101 Pleasant St., Concord

4:00 p.m. Regular meeting.

THURSDAY, MARCH 5

SCIENCE, TECHNOLOGY AND ENERGY, Room 304, LOB

10:00 a.m. **HB 496**, establishing a limit on the amount of cost recovery for the emissions reduction equipment installed at the Merrimack Station.

FRIDAY, MARCH 6

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

9:00 a.m. Continued regular meeting.

MONDAY, MARCH 9

COMMISSION TO PROPOSE A RETIREE HEALTH CARE BENEFITS FUNDING MODEL (HB 1645, Chapter 300:13, Laws of 2008), Room 306, LOB

10:00 a.m. Regular meeting.

ELECTRONIC BALLOT COUNTING DEVICE ADVISORY COMMITTEE (HB 285, Chapter 134:1, Laws of 2008), HAVA Conference Room Archives and Records Management Building, 71 South Fruit Street, Concord

10:00 a.m. Regular meeting.

MONDAY, MARCH 16

EQUALIZATION STANDARDS BOARD (RSA 21-J:14-c), Department of Revenue Administration, 109 Pleasant Street (Medical and Surgical Building), Concord

1:00 p.m. Regular meeting.

INTERAGENCY COORDINATING COUNCIL FOR WOMEN OFFENDERS (RSA 21-H:14-c), Room 100, State House

9:00 a.m. Regular meeting.

NEW HAMPSHIRE LAND AND COMMUNITY HERITAGE AUTHORITY BOARD OF DIRECTORS (RSA 227-M:4), CDFA Board Room 14 Dixon Avenue, Concord

10:00 a.m. Regular meeting.

FRIDAY, MARCH 20

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

9:00 a.m. Regular meeting.

MONDAY, MARCH 23

COMMISSION TO PROPOSE A RETIREE HEALTH CARE BENEFITS FUNDING MODEL (HB 1645, Chapter 300:13, Laws of 2008), Room 306, LOB

10:00 a.m. Regular meeting.

TUESDAY, MARCH 24

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

3:00 p.m. Regular business.

FRIDAY, MARCH 27

ASSESSING STANDARDS BOARD (RSA 21-J:14-a), Department of Revenue Administration, 109 Pleasant Street (Medical and Surgical Building), Concord

9:30 a.m. Regular meeting.

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

1:00 p.m. Complaint hearing.

OFFICIAL NOTICES

COUNTY DELEGATION NOTICE

Belknap County Delegation will meet on **February 9** at 6:30 p.m. at the County Complex for the purpose of acting on the Gunstock Crown Castle Cell Tower contract extension with public comment and at 7:00 p.m. for the purpose of deliberation, public hearing and possible action on the Belknap County budget.

Rep Alida I. Millham, Chairman
Belknap County Delegation

COUNTY DELEGATION NOTICE

Carroll County Delegation will meet in executive session on **February 9th** at 9:00 a.m. in the Carroll County Administration Building. The purpose of the meeting is a public hearing on the proposed 2009 County Budget.

Rep. Karen C. Umberger, Clerk
Carroll County Delegation

COUNTY DELEGATION NOTICE

Hillsborough County Executive Committee will meet on Friday, **February 20** at 9:00 a.m. at the Hillsborough County Complex, Bouchard Building, Goffstown.

Rep. Maurice Pilotte, Chairman
Hillsborough County Executive Committee

COUNTY DELEGATION NOTICE

Merrimack County Executive Committee will meet on Monday, **March 9** at 9:00 a.m. in the lower level conference room of the McDonnell Building, 4 Court Street, Concord. The purpose of the meeting is as follows: 1. 2009 Budget Review as follows: a. Corrections. b. Administration and Others. c. Human Services and Others. d. County Attorney/Med. Referee/Pre-Trial/Adult Diversion/Sheriff Dispatch. e. Nursing Home. 2. Any other business.

Rep. Jessie Osborne, Chairman
Merrimack County Executive Committee

COUNTY DELEGATION NOTICE

Rockingham County Executive Committee will meet at 5:30 p.m. on Monday, **February 9** at the Hilton Auditorium, Rockingham County Nursing Home, Brentwood to report budget recommendations and to vote on budgets to be presented to the full Delegation. The Executive Committee will also meet at 5:30 p.m. on Tuesday, **February 17** at the Commissioners' Conference Room, Hilton Auditorium, Rockingham County Nursing Home, Brentwood to finalize unfinished business prior to the Delegation meeting.

Rep. David A. Welch, Clerk
Rockingham County Executive Committee

Rockingham County Delegation will meet at 6:00 p.m. on Tuesday, **February 17** at the Hilton Auditorium, Rockingham County Nursing Home, Brentwood to adopt the County Budget for 2009 (storm date February 19).

Rep. David A. Welch, Clerk
Rockingham County Delegation

REVISED FISCAL NOTES

The following House Bill has revised fiscal notes: HBs 31, 166, 419, 423, 426, 592, 594, 595, 598, 630, 639, 640, 643, 650, 652, 653, 658, 663, 674.

Karen O. Wadsworth, Clerk of the House

Pursuant to RSA 326-B:10-a, IV, the Joint Health Council will meet at the NH Board of Nursing Office, Walker Building, 21 South Fruit Street, Concord, on Monday, **March 9** at 6:00 p.m.

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.

Rep. Anne K. Priestly, 4 Bluff Street, Salem, New Hampshire 03079-1501.

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.

The components of the NH Dental Society will be inviting legislators to events in their area in order to educate legislators regarding oral health issues in New Hampshire. Events are being scheduled for the months of February and March. Please watch for invitations in the mail.

Reps. Mary Jane Wallner and Sherman A. Packard

Legislators, staff and all New Hampshire citizens are invited to community forums on the subject of the Ten Year Mental Health plan and the behavioral health delivery system in New Hampshire. These forums, funded by the Endowment for Health, are co-sponsored by the NH Community Behavioral Health Association (NHCBA), the National Alliance on Mental Illness (NAMI), the NH Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS), and the NH Mental Health Council.

Upcoming dates and locations are:

Monday, **February 9th**, 8:30 a.m.-10:30 a.m., at Meredith Village Savings Bank, 379 South Main Street, Laconia

Tuesday, **February 10th**, 5:30-7:30 p.m., at the Merrimack County Commissioners' Office, 4 Court Street, Concord

Friday, **February 13th**, 5:30-7:30 p.m., at Cheshire Medical Center, 580 Court Street, Keene

Saturday, **February 14th**, 10:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m., at the Manchester Health Department, 1528 Elm Street, Manchester.

Please RSVP to cbha@dupontgroup.com

Rep. Liz Merry

The Department of Transportation will hold the following meetings:

Feb 9 – Windham Planning Department Meeting Room, 3 North Lowell Road, Windham, 7:30 p.m. Selectman's meeting construction update. Salem-Manchester I-93 improvements.

Feb 11 – Hartford Municipal Building, 171 Bridge Street, White River Junction, Vermont, 7:00 p.m. Combined public informational meeting/officials meeting. Lebanon, NH-Hartford, VT. US Route 4 over Connecticut River bridge replacement.

Feb 19 – Berlin City Hall Auditorium, 168 Main Street, Berlin, 6:30 p.m. Public informational meeting. Berlin, Phase 2/alternative 4E of the NH Route 110 reconstruction project.

Rep. Candace CW Bouchard, Chairman
Public Works and Highways Committee

On Wednesday, **February 11th**, Citizens for Food That Makes a Difference (CFMD) is offering a vegetarian lunch buffet in the Statehouse Cafeteria beginning at 11:30 a.m. Along with lunch, materials and resources will be presented about successful efforts already underway on preventing childhood obesity, as well as hand-outs on healthy nutrition. HB 1422 formed a commission to study this issue and make recommendations to Governor Lynch. CFMD will take this opportunity to share their research and promote healthy food as one of the efforts to help in the education process for reducing childhood obesity and increasing total wellness.

Rep. Ed Butler

The New Hampshire Young Republican Federation cordially invites all legislators and staff to a reception honoring the birth of President Ronald Reagan on **February 11th**. The reception will take place from Noon to 1 p.m. at the Upham Walker House, Park Street, Concord. The Federation will present the annual Gipper Award to the Outstanding Young Republicans of the Year, and refreshments will be served.

Rep Shaun Doherty

Legislators and legislative staff are invited to the Delta Dental legislative reception at One Delta

Drive, Concord on **February 11** from 4:00 to 6:30 p.m.

Reps. Mary Jane Wallner and Sherman A. Packard

All legislators and staff are invited to the 41st annual Retail Merchants Association Legislative Reception and presentation of our "Legislator of the Year", "Law Enforcement Partner of the Year" and "Retailer of the Year" awards on Wednesday, **February 11th**. Please join RMANH members at 4:00 p.m. in the Bartlett Room of the Concord Holiday Inn. You may RSVP to melanie@rmanh.com or 225-9748.

Reps. Mary Jane Wallner and Sherman A. Packard

Legislative Breakfast with AARP President Jennie Chin Hansen will be held Thursday, **February 12**, from 7:30 to 9:30 a.m. at the Holiday Inn, Concord. RSVP by calling Mary Callahan at 621-1020 or email mcallahan@aarp.org (space is limited so please RSVP by Thursday, February 5th).

Reps. Mary Jane Wallner and Sherman A. Packard

The Capitol Grille, One Eagle Square, Concord **February 12** at 2:00 p.m. there will be a presentation of the Granite State Fair Tax Coalition for all House members. Legislators are invited to attend the screening of a short video, "Property Tax Relief vs. "The Pledge: The NH Tax Story." Voters in over 70 NH communities have already passed the Fair Tax Resolution, and more will consider the question this March on local town warrants. This program will answer questions about the Fair Tax Resolution and provide a forum for discussion about alternatives to our state's over-reliance on the property tax. It will also include information on the overall tax burden on middle income families in New Hampshire and other states. An opportunity for questions will follow. The Granite State Fair Tax Coalition is a nonprofit, nonpartisan educational organization. For more information about the coalition or to preview the video online, see www.nhfairtax.org.

Reps. Jessie L. Osborne and Christine C. Hamm

The New Hampshire Child Advocacy Network (NH CAN), a program of the Children's Alliance of New Hampshire, cordially invite all legislators to a press release of the *2009 Priorities for New Hampshire's Children* on Tuesday, **February 17** at 10:00 a.m. in Room 206 at the Legislative Office Building. Media has also been invited. Each year, a consensus of nearly 100 NH CAN partner organizations and advisors develop a collective set of priorities which recommend legislative and governmental action to ensure that our children, families, communities and state have every opportunity to thrive.

Rep. Mary Stuart Gile

Legislators are invited to attend the Mental Health Caucus meeting on **February 17** from 12:15 to 1:30 p.m. (bring your own brown bag lunch) at the Upham Walker House. Please call Rep. Liz Merry (286-4897 or email lizmerry@metrocast.net) or Rep. Bob Thompson (email Robert.Thompson@leg.state.nh.us) if you have questions.

Rep. Liz Merry

The NH Women's Lobby cordially invites all members of the legislature to our second annual Love the Lobby event on Tuesday, **February 17** from 5:00-7:00 p.m. at Rath, Young and Pignatelli, One Capital Plaza, Concord. Please RSVP to the NHWL at 224-9105 or e-mail to nikki@nhwomenslobby.org. Rep. Mary Stuart Gile will be speaking about our current legislative efforts in 2009. Please join us for food, drinks and fun!

Rep. Carla M. Skinder

On **February 17th** the New Hampshire Federation of Humane Organizations invites all legislators to an informational luncheon on HB 630, the Greyhound Protection Act. Lunch will be available from 11:30 am to 1:00 pm at St. Paul's Church, 21 Centre Street, Concord.

Rep. Mary R. Cooney

Breathe New Hampshire invites all Legislators and staff to a Breakfast Reception on Wednesday, **February 18** from 7:30 a.m. to 9:00 a.m. in the State House Cafeteria. Please come and meet staff and volunteers, learn about some new initiatives, and enjoy breakfast, conversation, and door prizes. Please RSVP by February 6th at (603)669-2411 or info@breathenh.org.

Reps. Mary Jane Wallner and Sherman A. Packard

The Granite State Airport Management Association (GSAMA) cordially invites you to attend the second "GSAMA at the Capital" on Wednesday, **February 18** in Room 100, State House from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. GSAMA is comprised of aviation related organizations that work closely with the NHDOT/Bureau of Aeronautics and the federal Aviation Administration (FAA) in promoting the 24 public-use airports throughout the Granite State. The "GSAMA at the Capital" event provides an opportunity to conveniently meet with us to discuss the benefits and challenges facing airports in NH, to learn more about the municipal and private airports in the state, and to meet your constituents. We look forward to greeting you on session day whenever you have a chance to drop by.

Rep. Chris Nevins

The Merrimack County Farm Bureau invites the Merrimack County Delegation, and the Environment and Agriculture Committee to a rescheduled luncheon on Wednesday, **February 18** at the Department of Agriculture conference room, second floor of the State House Annex at noon or when the House recesses for lunch.

Rep. Candace CW Bouchard

The Aviation Caucus will have its first organizational meeting in the Conference Room of the Upham Walker House at 3:00 p.m. or at the end of the House session on **February 18**. We look forward to greeting all who indicated their interest to join our caucus and to those who may still wish to.

Rep. Chris Nevins

Franklin Pierce University, Shaheen & Gordon, P.A. and Capitol Insights Group cordially invite

New Hampshire House, Senate and staff to a legislative reception on Wednesday, **February 18**, 2009 from 4:00 to 6:30 p.m. The reception will be held at the office of Shaheen & Gordon, P.A. located at 107 Storrs Street, Concord, New Hampshire.

Reps. Mary Jane Wallner and Sherman A. Packard

Legislators are invited to attend the Opening Ceremony for the McAuliffe-Shepard Discovery Center on Friday, **March 6** at 2:00 p.m. at the former Christa McAuliffe Planetarium on the NHTI campus in Concord. Governor John Lynch will be participating in the celebration and ribbon cutting.

Rep. Jessie L. Osborne

The New Hampshire Department of Health and Human Services Legislative Orientation has been **rescheduled for Tuesday March 10th** at St. Paul's Church from 11:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. Come to learn more about the Department and its many programs and services that benefit the citizens of New Hampshire. Lunch will be provided, prepared by the New Hampshire Hospital Food and Nutritional Services, but donations will be gladly accepted to the hospital's Resident Benefit Fund. Please RSVP to John Williams, DHHS Legislative Coordinator, at jwilliam@dhhs.state.nh.us or 271-0552.

Rep. Cindy Rosenwald

The House Republican Alliance will meet every Tuesday at 8:30 a.m. at the Upham Walker House, Park Street, Concord.

Rep. Nancy J. Elliott

The Main Street Republicans will meet every Tuesday at 8:30 a.m. in Room 212, LOB. All Republicans are welcome.

Rep. Cynthia J. Dokmo

STATE HOUSE VISITATION SCHEDULE

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 **February 2009**. These listings are to ensure all members be notified in a timely manner of visitors from their district. Our schedule is tightly booked for the remainder of the school year and subject to changes. **Please contact the Visitors' Center concerning school tour booking information.** Legislators planning to meet with students should notify the Visitor Center. Thank you for your continued participation with your School Visitation Program.

Virginia J. Drew, Director

Caitlin A. Daniuk, Public Information Administrator

<u>DATE</u>	<u>TIME</u>	<u>GROUP</u>	<u>Size/Grade</u>
Feb. 9	10:00	Stratham Memorial School	40/4
Feb. 10	9:00	Peter Woodbury School – Bedford	50/4
Feb. 10	10:30	Haigh School – Salem	52/4
Feb. 11	9:00	Peter Woodbury School – Bedford	50/4
Feb. 11	10:00	Stratham Memorial School	40/4

Feb. 12	9:00	Peter Woodbury School – Bedford	50/4
Feb. 12	9:30	AARP	12/Adult
Feb. 12	10:30	Chichester Central School	33/4
Feb. 13	9:00	St. John Regional School – Concord	26/4
Feb. 13	10:00/11:30 SH/HM/SC	Chester Academy	80/4
Feb. 17	9:00	The Well School – Peterborough	15/4
Feb. 17	10:00	Stratham Memorial School	40/4
Feb. 18	9:30	St. Benedict Academy – Manchester	16/4
Feb. 18	10:00/11:30 SH/HM	New Searles Elementary School – Nashua	55/4
Feb. 19	9:00	Walker School – Concord	20/4
Feb. 19	10:00	Wheelock School – Keene	21/4
Feb. 19	11:45	Rivier College – School of Nursing	20/College
Feb. 20	10:00/11:30 SH/SC	Windham Elementary School	115/4
Feb. 23	2:00	Candia Troop 120 – Boy Scouts	10
Feb. 25	9:30	UNH – Social Work Undergraduates	47/College
Feb. 25	11:00	Wakefield Home School Group	40

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
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	427-1500

Dover	Station Police	742-4646
Claremont	Station Police	542-9538
Newport	Station Police	863-3232
Merrimack	Station Police	424-2222
Salem	Station Police	893-1911
Ossipee	Station 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
33 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
Keene, NH 03431
Tel: 358-3333

Merrimack County

Department of Safety
33 Hazen Drive
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 road conditions on all state roads is available at **511**.

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 12

AMENDMENTS

(LISTED IN NUMERICAL ORDER)

2009-0156h

Amendment to CACR 4

Proposed by the Majority of the Committee on Election Law - R

Amend the resolution by replacing paragraph I with the following:

I. That article 11 of the first part of the constitution be amended to read as follows:

[Art.] 11. [Elections and Elective Franchises.] All elections are to be free, and every inhabitant of the state of 18 years of age and upwards shall have an equal right to vote in any election. **A person who is 17 years of age may vote in a primary election preceding a general election at which such person will be 18 years of age.** Every person shall be considered an inhabitant for the purposes of voting in the town, ward, or unincorporated place where he **or she** has his **or her** domicile. No person shall have the right to vote under the constitution of this state who has been convicted of treason, bribery, or any willful violation of the election laws of this state or of the United States; but the supreme court may, on notice to the attorney general, restore the privilege to vote to any person who may have forfeited it by conviction of such offenses. The general court shall provide by law for voting by qualified voters who at the time of the biennial or state elections, or of the primary elections therefor, or of city elections, or of town elections by official ballot, are absent from the city or town of which they are inhabitants, or who by reason of physical disability are unable to vote in person, in the choice of any officer or officers to be elected or upon any question submitted at such election. Voting registration and polling places shall be easily accessible to all persons including disabled and elderly persons who are otherwise qualified to vote in the choice of any officer or officers to be elected or upon any question submitted at such election. The right to vote shall not be denied to any person because of the nonpayment of any tax. Every inhabitant of the state, having the proper qualifications, has equal right to be elected into office.

Amend the resolution by replacing paragraph IV with the following:

IV. That the wording of the question put to the qualified voters shall be:

“Are you in favor of amending article 11 of the first part of the constitution to read as follows:

[Art.] 11. [Elections and Elective Franchises.] All elections are to be free, and every inhabitant of the state of 18 years of age and upwards shall have an equal right to vote in any election. A person who is 17 years of age may vote in a primary election preceding a general election at which such person will be 18 years of age. Every person shall be considered an inhabitant for the purposes of voting in the town, ward, or unincorporated place where he or she has his or her domicile. No person shall have the right to vote under the constitution of this state who has been convicted of treason, bribery, or any willful violation of the election laws of this state or of the United States; but the supreme court may, on notice to the attorney general, restore the privilege to vote to any person who may have forfeited it by conviction of such offenses. The general court shall provide by law for voting by qualified voters who at the time of the biennial or state elections, or of the primary elections therefor, or of city elections, or of town elections by official ballot, are absent from the city or town of which they are inhabitants, or who by reason of physical disability are unable to vote in person, in the choice of any officer or officers to be elected or upon any question submitted at such election. Voting registration and polling places shall be easily accessible to all persons including disabled and elderly persons who are otherwise qualified to vote in the choice of any officer or officers to be elected or upon any question submitted at such election. The right to vote shall not be denied to any person because of the nonpayment of any tax. Every inhabitant of the state, having the proper qualifications, has equal right to be elected into office.”

2009-0108h

Amendment to HB 40

Proposed by the Committee on Executive Departments and Administration - C

Amend RSA 151:33, VI as inserted by section 1 of the bill by replacing it with the following:

VI. In addition to other fines and penalties imposed under this chapter, the commissioner, after notice and the opportunity for hearing, pursuant to rules adopted under RSA 541-A, may impose an administrative fine of up to \$1,000 for each day of noncompliance upon any hospital required to report infection rates under this section.

2009-2213h

Amendment to HB 58

Proposed by the Committee on Resources, Recreation and Development - C

Amend RSA 483:15, XVI (d)-(e) as inserted by section 1 of the bill by replacing them with the following:

(d) As a community river from Little Falls Bridge crossing in Rochester to England Road in Rochester.

(e) As a rural-community river from England Road in Rochester to Whittier Street crossing in Dover.

2009-0139h

Amendment to HB 69

Proposed by the Committee on Health, Human Services and Elderly Affairs - C

Amend the bill by replacing all after the enacting clause with the following:

1 Health Care Data; User Fees. Amend RSA 126:30 to read as follows:

126:30 User Fees. Any person~~[- other than those covered by the fee provisions of RSA 151-C:15, I,]~~ requesting copies of data or statistical information filed with the department of health and human services under RSA ~~[126:25 or]~~ **126:25, RSA 141-B, or RSA 420-G:11, II(a)(1)** shall pay to the department a fee established by the commissioner of health and human services pursuant to RSA 126:27, IV. The fee shall reflect the full costs of preparing the data for release, including the cost of personnel time, computer and any related expenses associated with fulfilling the request, **and shall include a portion of the costs to collect, consolidate, and maintain these data sets under RSA 126:25, RSA 141-B, or RSA 420-G:11, II(a)(1).** Fees paid under this section shall be deposited into a revolving account which shall not lapse and shall be used in administering the responsibilities of the department of health and human services under this subdivision **and RSA 420-G:11, II(a)(1). Those persons covered by the fee provisions of RSA 151-C:15 shall be exempt from fees under this subdivision for data filed under RSA 126:25 or RSA 141-B. Fees paid under this section are intended to support the data collection responsibilities within the department of health and human services and shall not generate a profit. Fees shall be reasonable and charged on a sliding scale considering the volume of data requested, the intended purpose or use of the data requested, and the requestor's ability to pay. Nothing in this section shall be interpreted or applied as a barrier to accessing these data sets.**

2 Health Care Data; Rulemaking. Amend RSA 126:27, IV to read as follows:

IV. User fees which shall be assessed persons requesting data under RSA 126:28, RSA 126:30, ~~[and]~~ **RSA 141-B:9, and RSA 420-G:11-a, II. The fee scale shall reflect the volume of data requested, the specific data set that is the subject of the request, and the intended purpose and use of the data. The fee schedule shall be tiered to reflect the requestor's ability to pay based on whether the requestor has not-for-profit status, is a commercial entity, an educational or research entity, or a reseller/re-distributor of the data.**

3 Report Required. One year after the adoption of the rules required under RSA 126:27, IV, the commissioner of the department of health and human services shall make a report to the oversight committee on health and human services, established in RSA 126-A:13, relative to the

volume of data requests received, fees assessed for each request, and the operation of the fee schedule.

4 Effective Date. This act shall take effect January 1, 2010.

2009-0037h

Amendment to HB 102

Proposed by the Committee on Resources, Recreation and Development - C

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

AN ACT relative to the rivers management and protection program.

Amend the bill by replacing section 1 with the following:

1 Rivers Management and Protection Program; Statement of Policy. Amend RSA 483:1 to read as follows:

483:1 Statement of Policy. New Hampshire's rivers and streams comprise one of its most important natural resources, historically vital to New Hampshire's commerce, industry, tourism, and the quality of life of New Hampshire people. It is the policy of the state to ensure the continued viability of New Hampshire rivers as valued **ecologic**, economic, **public health and safety**, and social assets for the benefit of present and future generations. The state shall encourage and assist in the development of river corridor management plans and regulate the quantity and quality of instream flow along certain protected rivers or segments of rivers to conserve and protect outstanding characteristics including recreational, fisheries, wildlife, environmental, **hydropower**, cultural, historical, archaeological, scientific, ecological, aesthetic, community significance, agricultural, and public water supply so that these valued characteristics shall endure as part of the river uses to be enjoyed by New Hampshire people. ***If conflicts arise in the attempt to protect all valued characteristics within a river or stream, priority shall be given to those characteristics that are necessary to meet state water quality standards.***

Amend the bill by replacing section 3 with the following:

3 Nomination; Criteria. Amend RSA 483:6, I to read as follows:

I. Any New Hampshire organization or resident may nominate a river or any segment or segments of such river for protection by submitting to the commissioner a description of the river or segment or segments of such river and its values and characteristics. The completed nomination shall be submitted to the rivers coordinator on or before June 1 in order for it to be considered in the next legislative session. This nomination shall include, but not be limited to, an assessment of fisheries; geologic and hydrologic features; vegetation; wildlife; historical and archaeological features; open space and recreation features and potential; water quality and quantity; dams, **hydropower generation**, buildings, and other manmade structures; riparian interests **and public water supply**, including flowage rights known by the nominating individual or group, and other pertinent instream and riverbank **and tributary drainage area** information. The nominating party shall hold at least one public meeting on the information prior to final submittal to the commissioner. ***The department shall encourage the nominating party to include tributary drainage area information in the nomination.*** The nominating party shall advertise the meeting in cooperation with the rivers coordinator and shall give written notice to the governing body of any municipality where segments of the river are located. The rivers coordinator shall provide assistance to the nominating party in the presentation of the nomination at the public meeting.

Amend RSA 483:8, IV as inserted by section 5 of the bill by replacing it with the following:

IV. ***Any vacancy shall be filled in the same manner as the original appointment for the remainder of the unexpired term. Members may hold office until their successors are appointed and confirmed.***

Amend RSA 483:8-a, III (d) as inserted by section 6 of the bill by replacing it with the following:

(d) To report [~~annually~~] ***biennially*** to the advisory committee and the commissioner, ***and annually to municipalities*** on the status of compliance with federal and state laws and

regulations, local ordinances, and plans relevant to the designated river or segment ~~and~~, **its corridor, and tributary drainage areas.**

Amend RSA 483:13, III-IV as inserted by section 11 of the bill by replacing it with the following:

III. ~~[Local river management advisory committees may apply for and accept, from any source, gifts, grants, and donations of money. The committees may, without further authorization, expend any funds so received to carry out their duties pursuant to RSA 483:8-a.]~~ **The commissioner may expend any funds deposited in the rivers management and protection fund for the purposes of this chapter, and such funds are hereby continually appropriated.**

IV. **The commissioner shall submit a biennial report by October 1 to the chairperson of the house resources, recreation and development committee, and the chairperson of the senate energy, environment, and economic development committee summarizing all receipts and disbursements of the rivers management and protection fund, including a description of all projects or activities undertaken. Each report shall be in such detail with sufficient information to be fully understood by the general court and the public. After submission to the general court, the report shall be available to the public.**

Amend RSA 483:14, II as inserted by section 12 of the bill by replacing it with the following:

II. **No state-owned property included in a long-range river management plan shall be disposed of by the state except upon the review and recommendation of the advisory committee.**

AMENDED ANALYSIS

This bill clarifies certain provisions of the rivers management and protection program, the membership on advisory committees, and the funding of programs.

2009-0129h

Amendment to HB 105

Proposed by the Committee on Election Law - C

Amend the bill by replacing all after the enacting clause with the following:

1 Electronic Ballot Counting Devices. Amend the section heading preceding RSA 656:40 to read as follows:

~~[Voting Machines]~~ **Electronic Ballot Counting Devices**

2 Electronic Ballot Counting Devices; Adoption and Approval. Amend RSA 656:40 and RSA 656:41 to read as follows:

656:40 Adoption. The mayor and aldermen of any city or the selectmen of any town, subject to the approval of the ballot law commission, may authorize the use of one or more ~~[voting machines or]~~ **electronic ballot counting** devices for ~~[computerized casting and]~~ **the** counting of ballots in such city or town on a trial basis for any regular or special election and pay the expense of such trial from any available funds. The use of such ~~[machines or]~~ devices so authorized shall be valid for all purposes. Any town, or the mayor and aldermen of any city, may vote to lease or purchase ~~[voting machines or]~~ **electronic ballot counting** devices for the elections held in said town or city. Any town, or the mayor and aldermen of any city, so acting shall notify the secretary of state of the action taken in regard to ~~[voting machines or]~~ **electronic ballot counting** devices; and, after said action, ~~[voting machines or]~~ **electronic ballot counting** devices shall be used in said town or city in accordance with said vote or authorization. ~~[Notwithstanding any vote of adoption of voting machines, the mayor and aldermen of any city or the selectmen of any town may petition the ballot law commission to allow the use of paper ballots in any one or more elections.]~~

656:41 Approval by Ballot Law Commission. The ballot law commission shall act as a board to examine ~~[voting machines and]~~ devices for ~~[computerized casting and]~~ **the electronic** counting of ballots. The commission shall, whenever requested, examine any ~~[voting machine or]~~ device which may be capable of meeting the requirements for elections held in this state. The commission shall approve such ~~[voting machine or]~~ device in its discretion, and no ~~[voting machine or]~~ device shall be used in any election in this state unless it reads the voter's choice on a paper ballot and is of a

type so approved by the ballot law commission. Any ~~[voting machine or]~~ device that is altered must be re-approved before it is used in any election in this state. For the purposes of this section, a ~~[machine]~~ **device** shall be considered altered if any mechanical or electronic part, hardware, software, or programming has been altered.

3 Electronic Ballot Counting Devices. Amend RSA 656:42, I-V to read as follows:

I. The ballot law commission shall make such rules as may be necessary to ensure the accuracy of ~~[voting machines or]~~ **electronic ballot counting** devices, including rules for the testing of ~~[voting machines or]~~ **electronic ballot counting** devices prior to each election and the submission of testing records to the secretary of state. The ballot law commission shall make such rules as may be necessary in order that ~~[voting machines or]~~ **electronic ballot counting** devices ~~[for computerized casting and counting of ballots]~~ may be used in this state in such a manner that the election laws may be complied with as far as possible. Said commission shall have the power and authority in making rules to declare certain laws relative to distribution and marking of ballots and other requirements inconsistent with the use of ~~[voting machines or]~~ **electronic ballot counting** devices ineffective in towns and cities adopting such a method of voting. The presiding officer at each polling place shall enforce the rules of the ballot law commission made under the authority of this section.

II. Consistent with the rules of the ballot law commission the secretary of state shall include protocols for the testing of ~~[voting machines]~~ **electronic ballot counting devices** in the election manual authorized by RSA 652:22. Each ~~[machine]~~ **device** shall be tested after installation and prior to each election.

III. Any company, partnership, proprietorship, or other person, wherever located, which supplies, maintains, or programs ~~[voting machines]~~ **electronic ballot counting devices** which are used in elections in New Hampshire is subject to regulation by this state.

IV. Each person described in paragraph III shall designate, in writing, an agent for service of all process, including, but not limited to summonses, writs, orders, petitions, and subpoenas, and shall agree in writing that the attorney general, in conjunction with any election investigation, may inspect its records, machines or other devices, and premises.

V. Any such person described in paragraph III who fails to properly program and test ~~[voting machines]~~ **electronic ballot counting devices** shall be liable to reimburse the state for the cost of any recount which is necessitated by such failure.

4 Electronic Ballot Counting Devices. Amend RSA 656:43 to read as follows:

656:43 Lease or Purchase. Any town or city authorizing the use of ~~[a voting machine or a]~~ **electronic ballot counting** device for ~~[computerized casting and]~~ **the** counting of ballots shall pay the cost of lease or purchase. When such a ~~[machine or]~~ device is purchased by a town or city, the person from whom such ~~[machine]~~ **device** is purchased shall give to the secretary of state a suitable bond with sufficient sureties to keep such ~~[machine]~~ **device** in good working order for not less than 2 years at the seller's own expense.

5 Electronic Ballot Counting Devices. Amend RSA 659:23, II to read as follows:

II. The provisions of paragraph I shall not apply in cities and towns which use one or more ~~[voting machines or]~~ **electronic ballot counting** devices for ~~[computerized casting and]~~ **the** counting of ballots, as provided in RSA 656:40.

6 Electronic Ballot Counting Devices. Amend RSA 659:42 to read as follows:

659:42 Tampering With Voting Machines. Whoever shall tamper with or injure or attempt to injure any ~~[voting machine or]~~ **electronic ballot counting** device for the ~~[computerized casting and]~~ counting of ballots to be used or being used in an election or whoever shall prevent or attempt to prevent the correct operation of such ~~[machine or]~~ device or whoever shall tamper with software used in the ~~[casting or]~~ counting of ballots or design such software so as to cause incorrect tabulation of the ballots or any unauthorized person who shall make or have in his or her possession a key to ~~[a voting machine]~~ **an electronic ballot counting device** to be used or being used in an election shall be guilty of a class B felony if a natural person or guilty of a felony if any other person.

7 Repeal. RSA 656:43-a, relative to voting machine replacement, is repealed.

8 Effective Date. This act shall take effect 60 days after its passage.

AMENDED ANALYSIS

This bill replaces the term “voting machines or devices” with “electronic ballot counting devices.” This bill also eliminates references in the voting machine enabling laws to machines or devices for casting ballots.

2009-0097h

Amendment to HB 113

Proposed by the Committee on Health, Human Services and Elderly Affairs - R

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

AN ACT extending the moratorium on nursing home beds and rehabilitation beds.

Amend the bill by replacing all after the enacting clause with the following:

1 Certificate of Need; Nursing Home Beds; Rehabilitation Beds; Moratorium Extended.

Amend RSA 151-C:4, III(a) to read as follows:

III.(a) No ***new*** certificate of need shall be granted by the board for any nursing home, skilled nursing facility, intermediate care facility, or rehabilitation facility from the effective date of chapter 310, laws of 1995, department of health and human services reorganization act, through the period ending June 30, ~~2009,~~ **2012. *This moratorium shall also apply to new certificates of need regarding any rehabilitation bed in any type of facility, including rehabilitation hospitals and facilities offering comprehensive rehabilitation services. However, [except that] a certificate of need shall be issued for replacement or renovation of existing beds as necessary to meet life safety code requirements or to remedy deficiencies noted in a licensing inspection pursuant to RSA 151 or state survey and certification process pursuant to titles XVIII and XIX of the Social Security Act. In addition, a certificate of need may be issued for construction or renovation as necessary to repair or refurbish an existing facility, or to accommodate additional beds obtained by transfer to an existing facility. In the case of repair, refurbishment, or transferred beds, the resulting costs in excess of the current capital expenditure threshold as adjusted for inflation pursuant to RSA 151-C:5, II(f)(1) shall not be reflected in any state Medicaid rate.***

2 Effective Date. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

AMENDED ANALYSIS

This bill extends the moratoriums on nursing home beds and rehabilitation beds until June 30, 2012.

2009-0105h

Amendment to HB 119

Proposed by the Minority of the Committee on Commerce and Consumer Affairs - R

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

AN ACT establishing a commission to study the feasibility of adopting Atlantic Daylight Saving Time from June 15 to September 15 of each year.

Amend the bill by replacing all after the enacting clause with the following:

1 Commission Established. There is established a commission to study the feasibility of adopting Atlantic Daylight Saving Time from June 15 to September 15 of each year.

2 Membership and Compensation.

I. The members of the commission shall be as follows:

(a) One member of the house of representatives, appointed by the speaker of the house of representatives.

(b) One member of the senate, appointed by the president of the senate.

(c) The commissioner of the department of resources and economic development, or designee.

(d) One representative of the tourism industry, appointed by the governor.

(e) One representative of the New Hampshire Golf Association, nominated by the association and appointed by the governor.

II. Members of the commission shall serve without compensation, except that legislative members of the commission shall receive mileage at the legislative rate when attending to the duties of the commission.

3 Duties. The commission shall consider the feasibility, costs, and benefits of adopting Atlantic Daylight Saving Time in the state of New Hampshire between June 15 and September 15 of each year.

4 Chairperson; Quorum. The members of the commission shall elect a chairperson from among the members. The first meeting of the commission shall be called by the house member. The first meeting of the commission shall be held within 45 days of the effective date of this section. Three members of the commission shall constitute a quorum.

5 Report. The commission shall report its findings and any recommendations for proposed legislation to the speaker of the house of representatives, the president of the senate, the house clerk, the senate clerk, the governor, and the state library on or before November 1, 2009.

6 Effective Date. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

AMENDED ANALYSIS

This bill establishes a commission to study the feasibility of adopting Atlantic Daylight Saving Time from June 15 to September 15 of each year.

2009-0057h

Amendment to HB 130

Proposed by the Committee on Resources, Recreation and Development - C

Amend RSA 477:22-a as inserted by section 1 of the bill by replacing it with the following:

477:22-a Enforceability of Publicly-Owned Land Restrictions. Any recorded restriction, order, covenant, or other interest in land held by the state, or any political subdivision of the state, shall be enforceable against any owner of the affected land or structure, including subsequent purchasers, heirs, or assignees, notwithstanding lack of privity of estate or contract, or lack of benefit to particular land, or the benefit being assignable or being assigned.

2009-0023h

Amendment to HB 142

Proposed by the Majority of the Committee on Municipal and County Government - R

Amend RSA 41:11-a, III as inserted by section 1 of the bill by replacing it with the following:

III. Notwithstanding paragraph II, the legislative body may vote to authorize the board of selectmen to rent or lease municipal property for a term of up to 5 years without further vote or ratification of the town. Once adopted, this authority shall remain in effect until specifically rescinded by the legislative body at any duly warned meeting provided that the term of any lease entered into prior to the rescission shall remain in effect.

AMENDED ANALYSIS

This bill allows municipalities to extend the leases of municipal property for up to 5 years.

2009-0157h

Amendment to HB 168

Proposed by the Committee on Executive Departments and Administration - C

Amend the bill by replacing all after the enacting clause with the following:

1 Electrician's Fees; Transfer to General Fund. Amend RSA 319-C:6-b to read as follows:

319-C:6-b Fees. The board, with the approval of the commissioner of safety, shall establish application fees for examination of applicants, fees for licensure, for renewal, and for late renewal of licenses to practice under this chapter, and for transcribing and transferring records and other services. The fee for examination shall not include fees charged by and paid to an examination entity approved by the board. The fees established by the board shall be sufficient to produce estimated revenues equal to 125 percent of the direct operating expenses of the board for the previous fiscal year. Fees collected shall be deposited in the ~~[fire standards and training and emergency medical services]~~ **general** fund~~[- established in RSA 21 P:12 d.]~~ and used for the

purposes of operating expenses of the electricians' board. [~~Fees collected in excess of actual operating expenses shall be deposited in the general fund as unrestricted revenue.~~]

2 Repeal. The following are repealed:

I. RSA 319-C:11, relative to moneys deposited in the fire standards and training and emergency medical services fund.

II. RSA 6:12,II(201), relative to moneys deposited in the electricians' board account.

3 Effective Date. This act shall take effect July 1, 2009.

AMENDED ANALYSIS

This bill:

I. Transfers certain electrician's fees to the general fund.

II. Repeals certain distributions of electrician's fees to the fire standards and training and emergency medical services fund.

2009-0098h

Amendment to HB 172

Proposed by the Committee on Executive Departments and Administration - C

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

AN ACT allowing naturopathic doctors to dispense prescription drugs which are within their scope of practice.

Amend the bill by replacing section 1 with the following:

1 Prescription Drugs; Naturopathic Doctors Added. Amend RSA 318:42, II to read as follows:

II. Physicians, dentists, optometrists, podiatrists, veterinarians, advanced registered nurse practitioners, ***naturopathic doctors***, and physician assistants from possessing, compounding, personally administering, or distributing prescription drugs to meet the immediate medical needs of their patients. For advanced registered nurse practitioners and physician assistants, compounding shall be limited according to RSA 318:42, VIII. Nothing in this section shall prohibit the dispensing of noncontrolled prescription drugs by an authorized agent of a veterinarian for an animal under the agent's care, provided that the drugs were compounded by or under the supervision of the licensed veterinarian.

AMENDED ANALYSIS

This bill allows naturopathic doctors to dispense prescription drugs which are within their scope of practice as defined under RSA 328-E:4.

2009-0052h

Amendment to HB 234

Proposed by the Committee on Health, Human Services and Elderly Affairs - C

Amend the bill by replacing section 3 with the following:

3 Duties. The committee shall study the entire certificate of need statute (RSA 151-C), including, but not limited to the scope of regulation, standards of need, procedures, board membership, services regulated, financial thresholds for regulation, and any other aspect of the certificate of need process that the committee determines warrants review.

2009-0183h

Amendment to HB 239-LOCAL

Proposed by the Committee on Municipal and County Government - C

Amend the bill by replacing all after the enacting clause with the following:

1 Town or District Bonds or Notes. Amend RSA 33:8 to read as follows:

33:8 Town or District Bonds or Notes. Except as otherwise specifically provided by law, the issue of bonds or notes by any municipal corporation, except a city or a town which has adopted a charter pursuant to RSA 49-B, without a budgetary town meeting, and except a school district or municipality which has adopted official ballot voting procedures pursuant to RSA 40:13 shall be authorized by a vote by ballot of 2/3, and the issue of tax anticipation notes, by a vote of a majority, of all the voters present and voting at an annual or special meeting of such corporation, called for

the purpose. The issue of notes or bonds by a school district or municipality which has adopted official ballot voting procedures pursuant to RSA 40:13 shall be authorized by a vote of 3/5. The issue of notes or bonds by a municipality that has adopted an optional form of legislative body under RSA 49-D:3, I-a or RSA 49-D:3, II-a shall be authorized by either a 2/3 or 3/5 vote as adopted and provided for in the charter. If such charter does not specify which majority vote is required, then the required majority vote shall be 2/3. Only votes in the affirmative or negative shall be included in the calculation of any majority. No such action taken at any special meeting shall be valid unless a majority of all the legal voters are present and vote at such special meeting, unless the governing board of any municipality shall petition the superior court for permission to hold an emergency special meeting, which, if granted, shall give said special meeting the same authority as an annual meeting. The warrant for a special meeting shall be published once in a newspaper having a general circulation in the municipality within one week after the posting of such special meeting. The warrant for any such annual or special meeting shall be served or posted at least 14 days before the date of such special meeting. Every warrant shall be deemed to have been duly served or posted, if the return on the warrant shall so state, and it shall be certified by the officer or officers required to serve or post the same. All bonds or notes, authorized in accordance with this chapter, shall be signed by the governing board, or a majority of the governing board, and countersigned by the treasurer of the municipality, and shall have the corporate seal, if any, affixed to it. The discretion of fixing the date, maturities, denominations, the interest rate, or discount rate in the case of notes, the place of payment, the form and other details of said bonds or notes and of providing for the sale of such bonds or notes, may be delegated to the governing board or to the treasurer and shall, to the extent provision therefor shall not have been made in the vote authorizing the same, be deemed to have been delegated to the governing board. ***Bonding authority under this section may be limited or rescinded as provided in RSA 33:8-f.***

2 New Paragraph; Procedure for Authorizing Bonds or Notes in Excess of \$100,000. Amend RSA 33:8-a by inserting after paragraph IV the following new paragraph:

V. Bonding authority under this section may be limited or rescinded as provided in RSA 33:8-f.

3 New Section; Procedures to Limit or Rescind Bonding Authority for Bonds or Notes. Amend RSA 33 by inserting after section 8-e the following new section:

33:8-f Procedures to Limit or Rescind Bonding Authority for Bonds or Notes.

I. In any vote to approve bonding authority, a town may limit the length of time the bond authorization remains valid. If, after the expiration of any such period, no bond or note has been issued, the bonding authority shall be considered for all purposes as rescinded.

II. A town may vote at an annual meeting to rescind an authorized but unissued bond or note following the same procedures as would be required to adopt such bond or note, provided that:

(a) A vote to rescind shall not take place less than 5 years after the vote to authorize the bond or note;

(b) The vote to rescind must pass by the same majority required, at the time of the rescission vote, to adopt a bond or note; and

(c) Notwithstanding RSA 33:8-a, II, a warrant article proposing the rescission of a bond or note in excess of \$100,000 need not be acted upon prior to other business.

4 Effective Date. This act shall take effect January 1, 2010.

AMENDED ANALYSIS

This bill establishes a municipal bond rescission process for bonds and notes.

2009-0132h

Amendment to HB 276-FN

Proposed by the Committee on Election Law - R

Amend RSA 659:27 as inserted by section 1 of the bill by inserting after paragraph II the following new paragraph:

III. No voter or appointed challenger shall challenge a person's qualifications to be a voter at the election day voter registration table.

Amend RSA 659:27-a, I as inserted by section 2 of the bill by replacing it with the following:

I. No challenge may be asserted except in the form of a signed affidavit, under oath administered by an election official, in the following form:

INFORMATION ON THE PERSON MAKING THE CHALLENGE

Name of Person Making the Challenge:

Last Name	First Name	Middle Name/initial
Party affiliation		

If person making a challenge is a voter: Physical Address – Street Name & Number

If person is a political party or attorney general appointee: mailing address & phone number

The challenger's qualifications to assert the challenge

INFORMATION ON THE VOTER BEING CHALLENGED: The person making the challenge shall complete the following:

Name being used by the voter who you wish to challenge:

Last Name	First Name	Middle Name
GROUND FOR THE CHALLENGE: The person making the challenge shall indicate the ground on which the challenge is made (check all grounds that apply).		

☐ The person seeking to vote is not the individual whose name he or she has given

☐ The person seeking to vote has already voted in the election at (name polling place)

☐ _____ at approximately (state time if known) _____

☐ The person seeking to vote is disqualified as a voter by conviction of a willful violation of the elections laws (state offense, court, and date of conviction)

☐ The person seeking to vote is under 18 years of age

☐ The person seeking to vote is not a United States Citizen

☐ The person seeking to vote is not domiciled in the town or ward where he or she is seeking to vote (state persons true domicile —town/city) _____

☐ The person seeking to vote is an incarcerated convicted felon who is currently sentenced to incarceration (state name of institution person is in) _____

☐ This is a primary and the person seeking to vote in the (state political party name) _____ primary is not a declared member of the party he or she claims to be affiliated with

☐ The person seeking to vote is ineligible to vote pursuant to the following state or federal statute or constitutional provision: _____

BASIS FOR THE CHALLENGE: The person making the challenge shall state the specific source of the information or personal knowledge upon which the challenge of the particular individual is based:

OATH: The person making the challenge shall complete the following:

I hereby swear and affirm, under the penalties of perjury, that to the best of my knowledge and belief the information above is true and correct.

(Signature of challenger)

On the date shown above, before me, _____ (print name of notary public, justice of the peace, election officer), appeared _____ (print name of person whose signature is being notarized), (known to me or satisfactorily proven (circle one)) to be the person whose name appears above, and

he or she subscribed his or her name to the foregoing affidavit and swore that the facts contained in this affidavit are true to the best of his or her knowledge and belief.

Notary Public/Justice of the Peace/Official Authorized by RSA 659:30

TO BE COMPLETED BY THE MODERATOR: Ruling on the challenge:

If the ground at issue is age, citizenship, or domicile: The supervisors of the checklist have ruled that the challenged voter is: qualified as a voter; not qualified as a voter.

The moderator rules on challenges based on other grounds. The Moderator rules that the challenge is: well grounded; not well grounded. If it is ruled that the voter is not qualified or that the challenge is well grounded, the challenged person may vote only if he or she completes and swears to a challenged votes affidavit.

Amend RSA 659:27-a, II(c) as inserted by section 2 of the bill by replacing it with the following:

(c) The person seeking to vote is disqualified as a voter by conviction of a willful violation of the elections laws, such conviction having been for the offense specified in the challenge.

Amend RSA 659:27-a, II(f) as inserted by section 2 of the bill by replacing it with the following:

(f) The person seeking to vote is not domiciled in the town or ward where he or she is seeking to vote because the person's true domicile is in the town or city specified in the challenge.

Amend RSA 659:27-a, II(g) as inserted by section 2 of the bill by replacing it with the following:

(g) The person seeking to vote is an incarcerated convicted felon who is currently sentenced to incarceration in the institution specified in the challenge.

Amend the bill by replacing section 4 with the following:

4 Absentee Ballots; Announcement by Moderator and Challenges. Amend RSA 659:50 and RSA 659:51 to read as follows:

659:50 Announcement by Moderator. The moderator shall begin processing absentee ballots by clearly announcing that he **or she** is about to open the envelopes which were delivered to him **or her**. The moderator shall then remove the affidavit envelope containing the ballots of each absentee voter and shall compare the signature on the affidavit envelope with the signature on the application for the ballot. If:

I. The name of the voter is on the checklist, **except for voters provided for in RSA 7:46**; and

II. The affidavit on the envelope appears to be properly executed; and

III. The signature on the affidavit appears to be executed by the same person who signed the application; and

IV. The signatures appear to be the signatures of a duly qualified voter who has not voted at the election; then the moderator shall publicly announce the name of the absentee voter, **except for voters provided for in RSA 7:46**. If these conditions are not met, the moderator shall follow the procedure provided in RSA 659:53.

659:51 Challenges.

I. All absentee ballots are subject to challenge after the moderator publicly announces the name of the absentee voter, **except for voters provided for in RSA 7:46**, but not after the ballot is removed from the envelope. ~~[A person who makes a challenge shall state the reason for the challenge.]~~ **No challenge to an absentee ballot may be asserted except in conformity with the requirements of RSA 659:27-a.**

II. If the ballot is challenged, the moderator shall write on the affidavit envelope containing the ballot the word "challenged" and the name and address of the person who makes the challenge and the basis of the challenge. The moderator shall also number each challenged envelope consecutively by marking, for example, the first challenged ballot "Challenged Ballot No. 1".

III. The moderator shall then determine if the challenge to the ballot is well grounded. If the moderator decides the challenge is well grounded, he **or she** shall not open the envelope but shall preserve it with the other ballots cast at the election as provided in RSA 659:101. If the moderator decides that the challenge is not well grounded, he **or she** shall open the affidavit

envelope so the affidavit thereon is not destroyed and proceed first to mark on the reverse of the folded ballot the corresponding challenge number as previously marked on the envelope. [He] **The moderator** shall then proceed to deposit the ballot as provided in RSA 659:52.

AMENDED ANALYSIS

This bill establishes additional requirements for challenging voters, including a challenge affidavit, and establishes penalties for prohibited challenges.

2009-0063h

Amendment to HB 282-FN-A

Proposed by the Committee on Executive Departments and Administration - C

Amend the bill by replacing sections 1-2 with the following:

1 Medical/Vision Advisory Board; Compensation. Amend RSA 263:6-b, I to read as follows:

I. In order to advise the director on medical criteria for the reporting and examination of drivers with medical impairments, a medical/vision advisory board is hereby established within the division. The board shall be composed of 3 members appointed by the director. Two of the members of the board shall be licensed physicians and residents of this state, and one member of the board shall be a licensed optometrist and a resident of this state. Of the original appointees, one shall serve for a term of 2 years and 2 shall serve for terms of 4 years. Subsequent appointees shall each serve for a term of 4 years or until their successors are appointed and approved. Any vacancy shall be filled in the same manner as the original appointment for the remainder of the term. The members of the board shall receive ~~no~~ **\$50** compensation *per diem* for their services and shall not hire any staff personnel but shall be paid mileage when attending to the duties of the committee at the maximum rate established in the Internal Revenue Code and regulations. After the first full year of operation of the advisory board, the board shall meet ~~[no more than 4 times per year]~~ **as needed**.

2 Appropriation. The sum of \$1 for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2010, and \$1 for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2011, are hereby appropriated to the department of safety, division of motor vehicles for the purpose of paying the compensation and mileage of the medical/vision advisory board. These appropriations are in addition to any other funds appropriated to the department of safety. The governor is authorized to draw a warrant for said sums out of any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated.

2009-0174h

Amendment to HB 292

Proposed by the Committee on Election Law - C

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

AN ACT relative to financial disclosures, lobbyist registrations and statements, prohibited gifts, and executive branch volunteers.

Amend RSA 15-A:3 as inserted by section 6 of the bill by deleting paragraph III.

Amend RSA 15-B:2, V(b)(6) as inserted by section 7 of the bill by replacing it with the following:

(6) Money in any form, an object, or any tangible or intangible thing **or service** of economic value, where the donor's act of giving is purely private and personal in nature and the money, object, or **tangible or intangible** thing **or service** of economic value would have been given and received even if the person were not an elected official, public official, public employee, constitutional official, or legislative employee.

Amend the bill by deleting sections 8-15 and renumbering the original sections 16-17 to read as 8-9, respectively.

Amend the bill by inserting after section 8 the following and renumbering the original section 9 to read as 10:

9 New Section; Filing Officer. Amend RSA 21-G by inserting after section 28 the following new section:

21-G:28-a Filing Officer; Appointment; Duties and Responsibilities.

I. The secretary of state shall designate an employee of the department of state as the state filing officer, who shall be responsible for the administration of this subdivision.

II. The filing officer shall:

(a) Review the administrative requirements of this subdivision and the submission of forms pursuant to RSA 15-A and RSA 15-B.

(b) Communicate with all candidates for public office and all executive branch officials on the administrative requirements of this subdivision and the submission of forms pursuant to RSA 15-A and RSA 15-B.

(c) Respond to any inquiries from candidates for public office and executive branch officials on the administrative requirements of this subdivision and the submission of forms pursuant to RSA 15-A and RSA 15-B.

(d) Make or forward complaints alleging violations of the provisions of the state ethics code to the attorney general or the executive branch ethics committee, established under RSA 21-G:29.

III. The state filing officer shall not be authorized to render legal advice.

IV. The state filing officer shall attend meetings of the legislative ethics committee, the executive branch ethics committee, and any other ethics committees or commissions established by statute.

V. Any state agency, commission, or committee authorized by statute to issue opinions interpreting a state ethics law shall submit a copy of any written decision or opinion to the state filing officer and to the secretary of state. Such written decisions or opinions may be redacted prior to submission in order to protect confidential or nonpublic information.

AMENDED ANALYSIS

This bill:

I. Modifies financial disclosure requirements for legislators.

II. Modifies the applicability of lobbyist regulation statutes and reporting requirements for lobbyists.

III. Exempts certain executive branch volunteers from the financial disclosure requirements.

IV. Modifies exemptions from the definition of "gift" for purposes of prohibitions on certain gifts to public officials.

V. Requires executive branch entities to submit lists of volunteers to the secretary of state.

VI. Requires the secretary of state to designate an employee as the state filing officer.

2009-0089h

Amendment to HB 432-FN

Proposed by the Committee on Election Law - C

Amend the bill by replacing section 2 with the following:

2 Effective Date. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

2009-0031h

Amendment to HB 460

Proposed by the Committee on Public Works and Highways - C

Amend the bill by replacing all after the enacting clause with the following:

1 New Subdivision; Bureau of Visitor Service. Amend RSA 228 by inserting after section 105 the following new subdivision:

Bureau of Visitor Service

228:106 Bureau Established. There is hereby established under the department of resources and economic development a bureau of visitor service to carry out the recommendations made by the department of resources and economic development and the department of transportation under 2008, 32:1, relative to New Hampshire's rest areas and welcome centers to ensure long-term viability of providing traveler service along New Hampshire's highways.

2 New Paragraphs; Recommendations for New Hampshire's Rest Areas and Welcome Centers. Amend 2008, 32:1 by inserting after paragraph IV the following new paragraphs:

IV-a. Explore a request for proposal process.

IV-b. Explore the revenue generating service models on the north and south sides of Route 93 in the town of Hooksett.

3 Recommendations for New Hampshire's Rest Areas and Welcome Centers; Report. Amend 2008, 32:1, V to read as follows:

V. Report their findings and any recommendations for proposed legislation to the speaker of the house of representatives, the president of the senate, the house clerk, the senate clerk, the governor, and the state library on or before November 1, ~~2008~~ **2009**.

4 Effective Date. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

AMENDED ANALYSIS

This bill establishes the bureau of visitor service under the department of resources and economic development. This bill also expands the duties of the department of resources and economic development and the department of transportation relative to their study on rest areas and welcome centers pursuant to 2008, 323.

This bill was requested by the department of resources and economic development and the department of transportation.

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Amendment to HB 476-FN

Proposed by the Committee on Executive Departments and Administration - R

Amend the bill by replacing section 15 with the following:

15 Effective Date. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

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Amendment to HB 508

Proposed by the Committee on Finance - C

Amend the bill by replacing section 1 with the following:

1 New Paragraph; Membership. Amend RSA 28-B:1 by inserting after paragraph IV the following new paragraph:

V. Three members of the legislature, 2 of whom shall be members of the house, appointed by the speaker of the house of representatives, and one of whom shall be a member of the senate, appointed by the president of the senate, whose terms shall be coterminous with their terms in office.