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New Hampshire

HOUSE RECORD

2013 SPECIAL SESSION

HOUSE JOURNAL NO. 1

Thursday, November 7, 2013

The House assembled at 10:00 a.m., on the date set in the Call for Special Session of the House by the Governor, and was called to order by the Speaker.

Her Excellency, Governor Margaret Wood Hassan, joined the Speaker on the rostrum for the day's opening ceremonies.

Prayer was offered by House Chaplain, Reverend Jared Rardin, Pastor of the South Congregational Church in Concord.

O Fount of every blessing, we give You thanks for drawing creation out of the well of Your goodness, and for pouring out love on all who thirst for good news. We confess that we are thirsty too, and we long to drink deeply. Wash over us with Your living water and bring us to life and health. If our lives have become shallow, deepen them. If our ideas have dried up, revive them. If our priorities have become confused, clarify them. If our horizons have become too narrow, widen them. If our thinking has fallen prisoner to fear of what others might think, set it free. If our courage for doing what is right has receded, bring it back to life. If our instinct is to do only what is best for us, set us back on the path of that which is good and right for all. Soak us in Your presence. Drench us with Your love. Release us from all that burdens us and renew us with Your life-changing mercy. In Your Holy, extravagant, compassionate name we pray. Amen.

Representative Jill Shaffer Hammond, member from Peterborough, led the Pledge of Allegiance.

The National Anthem was led by the members from Walpole, Representatives Tara Sad and Lucy Weber.

LEAVES OF ABSENCE

Reps. Birdsell, Bishop, Bradley, Susan Emerson, Larry Gagne, Helmstetter, Knowles, Amy Perkins, Chip Rice, Sanders and Stephen Schmidt, the day, illness.

Reps. Ahlgren, Alicea, Christopher Andrews, Azarian, Bailey, James Belanger, Danielson, Friel, Marilinda Garcia, Hayes, Higgins, Hikel, Hinch, Hodgdon, Introne, Sally Kelly, Leishman, Lerandean, Meaney, Menear, Milz, Myler, Nigrello, Pelletier, Piper, Pitre, Reed, Gary Richardson, Schuett, Schroader, Daniel Sullivan, Tasker, Wallner and Thomas Walsh, the day, important business.

Reps. Lawrence Perkins, Marjorie Smith and Spang, the day, illness in the family.

INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS

Darah Kehnemuyu, guest of Rep. Berch. Jim Alexander, Martin Fairall and Peter Graves, guests of Speaker Norelli. Rep.-Elect Latha Mangipudi of Nashua, guest of the House.

INTRODUCTION OF SPECIAL GUESTS

Nick Alexander of Lebanon, and Chris Lamb and Nick Fairall of Andover, the top three finishers in the US Ski Jumping Large Hill National Championship and competitors for the US Olympic Team, guests of the House.

COMMUNICATION

September 17, 2013

The Honorable Terie Norelli, Speaker
N. H. House of Representatives
State House
Concord, N. H.

Dear Madame Speaker:

I write with great regret to inform you that a change of residence is making it necessary for me to resign as representative of District 6 of Strafford County.

It has been an honor and a highly rewarding experience serving with you and all the members of the House of Representatives, and especially with my colleagues on the Committee on Criminal Justice and Public Safety. I am truly sorry that circumstances make it impossible for me to complete my term.

I send my best wishes to you and all the members of the House in your continuing service to the people of New Hampshire.

Yours truly,
Philip E. Ginsburg

COMMUNICATION

October 2, 2013

Ms. Karen Wadsworth
 Clerk of the House of Representatives
 State House
 Concord, NH 03301

Dear Karen:

Please be advised that the following representative-elect was sworn into office by the Governor and Executive Council on this day:

Hillsborough District No. 14 (Manchester Ward-7)

Mary Heath, d, Manchester (76 Island Pond Rd.) 03109

Sincerely,

William M. Gardner, Secretary of State

CALL FOR THE SPECIAL SESSION**A PROCLAMATION**

**BY HER EXCELLENCY MARGARET WOOD HASSAN, GOVERNOR
 WITH THE ADVICE OF THE HONORABLE EXECUTIVE COUNCIL**

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 16, 2013

WHEREAS, the welfare of the people of the State of New Hampshire requires the convening of the General Court for the purpose of enacting legislation to ensure the citizens of New Hampshire are provided better access to affordable health care;

WHEREAS, the Report of the Commission to Study Expansion of Medicaid Eligibility has recommended that New Hampshire adopt the New Hampshire Access to Health Program proposal for expansion of Medicaid coverage for low income New Hampshire adults;

WHEREAS, the Executive Department in calling such a session intends an agenda limited to the issue of a New Hampshire plan to expand Medicaid eligibility consistent with the Affordable Care Act, effective on or about January 1, 2014;

NOW, THEREFORE, the Governor, with the advice of the Council, on a motion made and duly seconded, hereby exercise their executive legislative authority under Part 2, Article 50 of the New Hampshire Constitution and summon the General Court to convene a Special Session on Thursday, November 7, 2013 at 10:00 a.m. and ending on Thursday, November 21st, 2013.

Margaret Wood Hassan, Governor

CALL OF THE ROLL**BELKNAP COUNTY**

Dist. No. 1 (1) Ruth P. Gulick, d
Dist. No. 2 (4) Lisa DiMartino, d; Robert H. Greemore, r; Herbert R. Vadney, r; Colette Worsman, r
Dist. No. 3 (4) Donald H. Flanders, r; David O. Huot, d; Robert A. Luther, r; Franklin T. Tilton, r
Dist. No. 4 (2) Dennis H. Fields, r; Ian P. Raymond, d
Dist. No. 5 (2) Richard B. Burchell, r; Stephen Holmes, r
Dist. No. 6 (2) Charles R. Fink, r; Michael J. Sylvia, r
Dist. No. 7 (1) Guy Comtois, r
Dist. No. 8 (1) Jane Cormier, r
Dist. No. 9 (1) Beth R. Arsenault, d

CARROLL COUNTY

Dist. No. 1 (1) Gene G. Chandler, r
Dist. No. 2 (3) Thomas L. Bucu, d; Karen C. Umberger, r; Syndi G. White, d
Dist. No. 3 (2) Mark E. McConkey, r; Susan J. Ticehurst, d
Dist. No. 4 (2) Glenn Cordelli, r; Karel A. Crawford, r
Dist. No. 5 (3) Tom Lavender, d; Harry C. Merrow, r; Bill G. Nelson, r
Dist. No. 6 (2)
Dist. No. 7 (1) Edward A. Butler, d
Dist. No. 8 (1) Donald S. Wright, r

CHESHIRE COUNTY

Dist. No. 1 (4) Paul S. Berch, d; William Butynski, d; Tara A. Sad, d; Lucy M. Weber, d
Dist. No. 2 (1) John E. Mann, d
Dist. No. 3 (1) Daniel A. Eaton, d

Dist. No. 4 (1)
Dist. No. 5 (1)
Dist. No. 6 (1) Timothy N. Robertson, d
Dist. No. 7 (1) Gladys Johnsen, d
Dist. No. 8 (1) Cynthia L. Chase, d
Dist. No. 9 (2) Richard Ames, d; Douglas A. Ley, d
Dist. No. 10 (1) Marjorie J. Shepardson, d
Dist. No. 11 (2) John B. Hunt, r
Dist. No. 12 (2) Jane B. Johnson, r
Dist. No. 13 (1) Henry A. L. Parkhurst, d
Dist. No. 14 (1) Harry Young, d
Dist. No. 15 (1) Bruce L. Tatro, d
Dist. No. 16 (2) Charles F. Weed, d

COOS COUNTY

Dist. No. 1 (2) Larry S. Enman, d; Laurence M. Rappaport, r
Dist. No. 2 (1) Wayne T. Moynihan, d
Dist. No. 3 (3) Gary M. Coulombe, d&r; Robert L. Theberge, d; Yvonne D. Thomas, d
Dist. No. 4 (1) Herbert D. Richardson, r
Dist. No. 5 (1) Marcia Hammon, d
Dist. No. 6 (1) William A. Hatch, d
Dist. No. 7 (1) Leon H. Rideout, r

GRAFTON COUNTY

Dist. No. 1 (2) Ralph J. Doolan, r; Linda Massimilla, d
Dist. No. 2 (1) Rebecca A. Brown, d
Dist. No. 3 (1) Susan M. Ford, d
Dist. No. 4 (1) Rick M. Ladd, r
Dist. No. 5 (1) Edmond D. Gionet, r
Dist. No. 6 (1)
Dist. No. 7 (1) James D. Aguiar, d
Dist. No. 8 (3) Mary R. Cooney, d; Sid Lovett, d; Suzanne J. Smith, d
Dist. No. 9 (2) Jeffrey S. Shackett, r
Dist. No. 10 (1)
Dist. No. 11 (1) Charles L. Townsend, d
Dist. No. 12 (4) Bernard L. Benn, d; Beatriz Pastor, d
Dist. No. 13 (4) Susan W. Almy, d; Laurie Harding, d; George E. Sykes, d; Andrew A. White, d
Dist. No. 14 (1)
Dist. No. 15 (1) Linda D. Lauer, d
Dist. No. 16 (1) Carol H. Friedrich, d
Dist. No. 17 (1) Catherine Mulholland, d

HILLSBOROUGH COUNTY

Dist. No. 1 (2) Marjorie A. Porter, d; Gilman C. Shattuck, d
Dist. No. 2 (3) Evelyn M. Connor, d; Gary S. Hopper, r; Neal M. Kurk, r
Dist. No. 3 (1) Jonathan F. Manley, d
Dist. No. 4 (2) Stephen P. Spratt, d; Kermit R. Williams, d
Dist. No. 5 (2) William L. O'Brien, r; David Woodbury, d
Dist. No. 6 (5) John A. Burt, r; Ruth E. Gage, d
Dist. No. 7 (6) John W. Cebrowski, r; John A. Graham, r; Keith Murphy, r; Kelleigh D. Murphy, r; Moe Villeneuve, r
Dist. No. 8 (2) Jeffrey P. Goley, d; Peter E. Ramsey, d
Dist. No. 9 (2) Linda A. DiSilvestro, d; William J. O'Neil, d
Dist. No. 10 (2) Jean L. Jeudy, d; Peter M. Sullivan, d
Dist. No. 11 (2) Robert M. Walsh, d
Dist. No. 12 (2)
Dist. No. 13 (2) William J. Infantine, r
Dist. No. 14 (2) Mary Heath, d
Dist. No. 15 (2) Steve Vaillancourt, r
Dist. No. 16 (2) David McCloskey, d; Barbara E. Shaw, d
Dist. No. 17 (2)

- Dist. No. 18 (2)** Emily C. Sandblade, r; Joel F. Winters, d
Dist. No. 19 (2) Robert A. Backus, d; Dick A. Marston, r
Dist. No. 20 (2) Ralph G. Boehm, r; Frank A. Byron, r
Dist. No. 21 (8) Richard W. Barry, r; Brenda E. Grady, d; Jeanine M. Notter, r; Tony J. Pellegrino, r; Lenette M. Peterson, r; Philip N. Straight, r; Kathleen M. Stroud, r
Dist. No. 22 (3) Shannon E. Chandley, d; Peter T. Hansen, r; Robert H. Rowe, r
Dist. No. 23 (4) Ruth Heden, d; Stephen J. Palmer, r; Robert F. Willette, r
Dist. No. 24 (2) Jill Shaffer Hammond, d
Dist. No. 25 (2) James E. Coffey, r; James A. Parison, r
Dist. No. 26 (2) Jack B. Flanagan, r; Melanie A. Levesque, d
Dist. No. 27 (2) Carolyn M. Gargas, r
Dist. No. 28 (3) Sylvia E. Gale, d; Angeline A. Kopka, d; Janice E. Schmidt, d
Dist. No. 29 (3) Paul L. Hackel, Michael J. McCarthy, r; Suzanne M. Vail, d
Dist. No. 30 (3) Mariellen J. MacKay, d; Brian D. Rhodes, d; Cindy Rosenwald, d
Dist. No. 31 (3) Pamela T. Brown, d; David E. Cote, d; Mary J. Gorman, d
Dist. No. 32 (3) John D. Kelley, d; Donald L. LeBrun, r; David K. Murotake, r
Dist. No. 33 (3) Efsthathia C. Booras, d; David B. Campbell, d; Kenneth N. Gidge, d
Dist. No. 34 (3) Douglas L. Carroll, d; Timothy A. Soucy, d
Dist. No. 35 (3) Daniel C. Hansberry, d; Mary S. Nelson, d
Dist. No. 36 (3) Linda Harriott-Gathright, d; Martin L. Jack, d; Michael B. O'Brien, d
Dist. No. 37 (11) Lars T. Christiansen, r; Patrick L. Culbert, r; Robert H. Haefner, r; Shawn N. Jasper, r; Richard D. LeVasseur, r; Lynne M. Ober, r; Russell T. Ober, r; Andrew Renzullo, r; Charlene F. Takesian, r; Jordan G. Ulery, r
Dist. No. 38 (2) Richard S. Eaton, d; Richard D. McNamara, d
Dist. No. 39 (1) Mark Warden, r
Dist. No. 40 (1) Gary L. Daniels, r
Dist. No. 41 (1) Laurie J. Sanborn, r
Dist. No. 42 (2) Patrick T. Long, d
Dist. No. 43 (3) Kathleen F. Souza, r
Dist. No. 44 (2) George A. Lambert, r; Andre A. Martel, r
Dist. No. 45 (2) Jane E. Beaulieu, d; Ronald R. Boisvert, d

MERRIMACK COUNTY

- Dist. No. 1 (1)** Mario F. Ratzki, d
Dist. No. 2 (2) Scott A. Burns, d
Dist. No. 3 (2) Joy K. Tilton, d; Leigh A. Webb, d
Dist. No. 4 (1) Thomas C. Schamberg, d
Dist. No. 5 (2) Karen E. Ebel, d; David H. Kidder, r
Dist. No. 6 (2) Barbara C. French, d; Geoffrey D. Hirsch, d
Dist. No. 7 (1) Clyde J. Carson, d
Dist. No. 8 (1)
Dist. No. 9 (2) Priscilla P. Lockwood, r; Howard Moffett, d
Dist. No. 10 (3)
Dist. No. 11 (1) Stephen J. Shurtleff, d
Dist. No. 12 (1) Paul J. Henle, d
Dist. No. 13 (1) June M. Frazer, d
Dist. No. 14 (1) James R. MacKay, d
Dist. No. 15 (1) Jane J. Hunt, d
Dist. No. 16 (1)
Dist. No. 17 (1) Dick W. Patten, d
Dist. No. 18 (1) Candace C. W. Bouchard, d
Dist. No. 19 (1) Christy D. Bartlett, d
Dist. No. 20 (3) Frank W. Davis, d
Dist. No. 21 (2) Mary E. Frambach, d; Dan McGuire, r
Dist. No. 22 (1) Alan J. Turcotte, d
Dist. No. 23 (3) J. R. Hoell, r; Mary Beth Walz, d
Dist. No. 24 (4) David W. Hess, r; Frank R. Kotowski, r; Todd P. Smith, r
Dist. No. 25 (1) David B. Karrick, d
Dist. No. 26 (1) Lorrie J. Carey, d
Dist. No. 27 (2) Mary Stuart Gile, d
Dist. No. 28 (1) Katherine D. Rogers, d

Dist. No. 29 (1) Carol M. McGuire, r

ROCKINGHAM COUNTY

Dist. No. 1 (1)

Dist. No. 2 (3) Romeo Danais, r; Joe Duarte, r

Dist. No. 3 (3) Kathleen M. Hoelzel, r; Lawrence M. Kappler, r

Dist. No. 4 (5) Gene P. Charron, r; James E. Devine, r; Dudley D. Dumaine, r

Dist. No. 5 (7) Alfred P. Baldasaro, r; David C. Lundgren, r; Betsy McKinney, r; Sherman A. Packard, r; Lisa I. Whittemore, d

Dist. No. 6 (10) Brian K. Chirichiello, r; Beverly A. Ferrante, r; Robert M. Fesh, r; John T. O'Connor, r; Frank V. Sapareto, r; Mary L. Till, d; James C. Webb, r

Dist. No. 7 (4) Mary E. Griffin, r; Walter Kolodziej, r; Charles E. McMahon, r; Kevin K. Waterhouse, r

Dist. No. 8 (9) Ronald J. Belanger, r; Patrick J. Bick, r; Robert J. Elliott, r; Anne K. Priestley, r; Joe Sweeney, r; John Sytek, r

Dist. No. 9 (2) Jeffrey F. Harris, r

Dist. No. 10 (1) Daniel C. Itse, r

Dist. No. 11 (1)

Dist. No. 12 (1)

Dist. No. 13 (4) John B. Sedensky, r; Kevin P. St. James, r; Kenneth L. Weyler, r

Dist. No. 14 (4) Debra L. DeSimone, r; Norman L. Major, r

Dist. No. 15 (1) Mary M. Allen, r

Dist. No. 16 (1)

Dist. No. 17 (3) Michael D. Cahill, d; Marcia G. Moody, d

Dist. No. 18 (4) Steven J. Briden, d; Eileen C. Flockhart, d; Frank H. Heffron, d; Donna L. Schlachman, d

Dist. No. 19 (2) Patrick F. Abrami, r; Timothy D. Copeland, r

Dist. No. 20 (3) Aboul B. Khan, r

Dist. No. 21 (4) Robert R. Cushing, d, J. Tracy Emerick, r; Chris Muns, d; Frederick C. Rice, r

Dist. No. 22 (1) Michele S. Peckham, r

Dist. No. 23 (1) Pamela Z. Tucker, r

Dist. No. 24 (2) David A. Borden, d; Thomas M. Sherman, d

Dist. No. 25 (1) Laura C. Pantelakos, d

Dist. No. 26 (1) Terie Norelli, d

Dist. No. 27 (1)

Dist. No. 28 (1) Gerald Ward, d

Dist. No. 29 (1) Brian Wazlaw, d

Dist. No. 30 (1) Jacqueline A. Cali-Pitts, d

Dist. No. 31 (1)

Dist. No. 32 (1) Maureen R. Mann, d

Dist. No. 33 (1) Timothy P. Comerford, r

Dist. No. 34 (1)

Dist. No. 35 (1) Richard E. Gordon, r

Dist. No. 36 (1) Patricia T. Lovejoy, d

Dist. No. 37 (1) E. Elaine Andrews-Ahearn, d

STRAFFORD COUNTY

Dist. No. 1 (2) John A. Mullen, r; Robbie L. Parsons, r

Dist. No. 2 (2) Rachel B. Burke, d

Dist. No. 3 (2) David A. Bickford, r; Robert J. Perry, d

Dist. No. 4 (2) Kenneth Grossman, d; Dennis J. Malloy, d

Dist. No. 5 (1) Naida L. Kaen, d

Dist. No. 6 (5) Timothy O. Horrigan, d; Janet G. Wall, d&r

Dist. No. 7 (1) Audrey M. Stevens, d

Dist. No. 8 (1) James P. Gray, r

Dist. No. 9 (1) Steven P. Beaudoin, r

Dist. No. 10 (1) Warren J. Groen, r

Dist. No. 11 (1) Anne C. Grassie, d

Dist. No. 12 (1) Pamela J. Hubbard, d

Dist. No. 13 (1) James Verschueren, d

Dist. No. 14 (1) William S. Baber, d

Dist. No. 15 (1) Janice S. Gardner, d

Dist. No. 16 (1) Dorothea D. Hooper, d

Dist. No. 17 (3) Peter W. Bixby, d; Greg Burdwood, d; Stephen M. Ketel, d
Dist. No. 18 (3) Roger R. Berube, d; Deanna S. Rollo, d; Dale S. Spainhower, d
Dist. No. 19 (1) Peter B. Schmidt, d
Dist. No. 20 (1)
Dist. No. 21 (1) Kenneth J. Ward, d
Dist. No. 22 (1) Rose Marie Rogers, d
Dist. No. 23 (1) David P. Miller, d
Dist. No. 24 (1) Laura M. Jones, r
Dist. No. 25 (1)

SULLIVAN COUNTY

Dist. No. 1 (2) Benjamin P. Lefebvre, d; Andrew R. Schmidt, d
Dist. No. 2 (1) Suzanne H. Gottling, d
Dist. No. 3 (1) Andrew S. O'Hearne, d
Dist. No. 4 (1) Joe Osgood, r
Dist. No. 5 (1) Raymond G. Gagnon, d
Dist. No. 6 (2) Virginia Irwin, d
Dist. No. 7 (1) James L. Grenier, r
Dist. No. 8 (1) Cynthia P. Sweeney, d
Dist. No. 9 (1) Linda L. Tanner, d
Dist. No. 10 (1) John R. Cloutier, d
Dist. No. 11 (1) Steven D. Smith, r

With 321 members having answered the call, the Chair declared a quorum present.

ADOPTION OF RULES

Reps. Shurtleff and Chandler moved that the House adopt Rules, as proposed by the Rules Committee, for the 2013 Special Session.

2013 HOUSE SPECIAL SESSION RULES

DUTIES OF THE SPEAKER

1. Calling the body to order. The Speaker shall take the chair at precisely the hour to which the House has adjourned and shall immediately call the members to order.
2. Decorum, order and appeal. The Speaker shall preserve decorum and order, may speak on points of order in preference to other members, and shall decide questions of order. The decision of the Speaker on a question of order shall be conclusive unless the decision is immediately appealed to the House. The House shall decide the appeal by a majority vote of those members present and voting.
3. Appointing committees. The Speaker shall appoint all committees unless otherwise directed by the House.
4. Referral of bills, etc., to committees. The Speaker shall refer all bills, resolutions, memorials, accounts and other matters coming before the House to a committee unless otherwise ordered by the House. The Speaker may refer the same jointly to two committees or to a special committee.
5. Voting: conditions of. The Speaker shall not be called on to vote unless the vote would be decisive. If the vote is tied after the Speaker has voted, the question shall be lost.
6. Signing of bills, warrants, subpoenas, etc. The Speaker shall sign all bills, resolutions, and addresses after passage or enrollment. All warrants, subpoenas and other processes issued by order of the House shall be signed by the Speaker and attested to by the clerk.
7. Authority to clear gallery. The Speaker or chairman of the committee of the whole House shall have the power to order the gallery cleared in cases of any disturbance or disorderly conduct.
8. Designating a substitute to preside. The Speaker shall have power to substitute any member to perform the duties of the Chair. If absent, the Speaker shall designate a member to perform the duties of the Chair unless otherwise ordered by the House.

DECORUM AND DEBATE

9. Members to be seated and activate voting stations. When the House is called to order, members shall take their seats and shall activate their voting stations immediately. When they leave their seats for any reason they shall deactivate their stations.
10. Mason's Manual of Legislative Procedure as parliamentary guide. In all cases not provided for by the Constitution, House Special Session Rules or Joint Special Session Rules, *Mason's Manual of Legislative Procedure*, 2010 Edition, shall be the parliamentary guide. Rules may be amended by majority vote, prior to adoption by the House.
11. Members: shall rise to address Speaker. When any member is about to speak in debate, make a motion, or deliver any matter to the House, the member shall rise from his or her seat and respectfully address the Speaker, declaring the purpose for which the member rises to speak.

12. Members: first rising shall speak first. In all cases the member rising first shall speak first. When two or more members rise at the same time, the Speaker shall name the person to speak. When many members choose to speak, they may file their names with the clerk, who shall supply the list to the Speaker. The Speaker shall name the order in which the members shall speak.

13. Members: speaking more than twice. No member shall speak more than twice on the same question without permission from the House. No member shall speak more than once until every member choosing to speak has spoken.

14. Members: walking in front of podium prohibited. While the Speaker is putting a question or addressing the House, no one shall walk out of or across the House. While a member is speaking, no one shall pass between that member and the other members of the House, nor shall anyone engage in private conversation.

15. Members: questions of order. If any member transgresses the rules of the House, the Speaker shall, or any member may, call the member to order. The member called to order shall immediately sit down and the question of order shall be distinctly stated by the Speaker.

16. Ethics Guidelines. In all instances, every member shall act in conformance with the duly adopted New Hampshire General Court Ethics Guidelines and opinions of the Legislative Ethics Committee

17. Persons permitted on floor/in anteroom during session.

(a) The following persons shall be admitted within the door of the Representatives' chamber or anteroom while the House is in session: House members and officers, the Governor, Council members, the Secretary of State, the Treasurer, the President of the Senate and the Senate clerks.

(b) No other person shall be admitted within the door of the Representatives' chamber or anteroom while the House is in session, except with the permission of the Speaker.

18. Motions: in possession of the House. After a motion is stated by the Speaker, it shall be in possession of the House, but may be withdrawn at any time before an amendment.

19. Motions: order of precedence; to Indefinitely Postpone; amendment as substitute motion.

(a) When any question is under debate, precedence of motions shall be as follows:

- (1) to adjourn;
- (2) to lay on the table;
- (3) for the previous question;
- (4) to postpone to a certain day;
- (5) to commit;
- (6) to amend;
- (7) to postpone indefinitely.

Motions to adjourn, to lay on the table, for the previous question, and to take from the table shall be decided without debate. A motion to postpone to a certain day shall be debatable both as to time and subject matter.

(b) When a question is postponed indefinitely, that question shall not be acted on during the same session, unless two-thirds of those members present and voting vote in favor thereof.

(c) No new motion shall be admitted under color of amendment as a substitute for the motion under debate.

20. Previous question.

(a) The Speaker shall put the previous question in the following form: "Shall debate now be limited?" and all debate on the main question shall be suspended until the previous question has been decided. After the adoption of the previous question, the sense of the House shall forthwith be taken on pending amendments, in their regular order, and then on the main question.

(b) All incidental questions of order arising after a motion of the previous question and related to the subjects affected by the order of the previous question shall be decided without debate.

(c) If the previous question is decided in the negative, it shall not again be in order for the particular question under consideration until after adjournment, but the main question shall be left before the House and disposed of as though the previous question had not been put.

21. Voting: by voice, division and roll call; must be present when question put; seconding roll call request; voting stations; members required to vote. There shall be three forms of deciding the question: voice vote, division vote, roll call vote. No member shall vote in any case if the member is not present when the question is put.

(a) The question put by voice vote shall be: "All those in favor of the question say 'aye,'" and after the affirmative vote is expressed, "Those of a contrary opinion say 'no.'"

(b) A division vote shall be taken if the Speaker doubts the voice vote or if a member calls for a division vote initially or before the Speaker announces the result of the vote. When a division of the House is taken, the Speaker may appoint a teller for each seating division of the House, who shall report to the Chair the state of the vote.

(c) A roll call shall be taken when a member moves for a roll call vote and that motion is seconded by 10 other members. The member requesting the roll call vote and the 10 members who second the motion shall notify the clerk in writing or shall rise from their seats or otherwise be recognized by the Speaker. Whenever a roll call vote is requested and properly seconded, members shall enter the chamber to take their seats and the question shall then be put to the House.

(d) When a division or a roll call is taken, the Speaker shall put the question and open the voting stations for not more than 30 seconds. Each member present at his or her voting station shall press either the YES (Green) or NO (Red) button unless excused by the House for a special reason. After closing the vote, the Speaker shall rise and state the decision of the House.

22. Tie vote, question lost. In case of a tie vote, the question shall be lost.

23. Leaving seats prohibited during voting. No member shall leave his or her seat while the voting machine is in use and until the Speaker announces the result of the vote.

24. Reconsideration. No vote shall be reconsidered unless the motion for reconsideration is made prior to third reading by a member who voted with the prevailing side. A motion for reconsideration is debatable only to the extent that it does not open the underlying question to debate.

25. Objection to reading paper/document. When the reading of a paper or a document is objected to by a member, the question shall be determined by a vote of the House without debate.

26. Absences. All members shall attend to their duties in the House or committee, and no one shall be absent from the service of the House or committee unless the member has leave, or is sick and unable to attend.

COMMITTEES AND THEIR DUTIES

27. There shall be a Committee on Enrolled Bills to carefully examine each bill, enroll it, and report it on behalf of the Committee to the House. If the examination of a bill shall disclose any clerical error or imperfection, it shall be reported back to the House with such amendments as are required to correct the same; and any measures so reported shall be subject to amendment in those particulars and in no other respect.

28. There shall be a Committee on Rules to consider all matters pertaining to House procedural rules and deadlines, to recommend rules of proper debate and to approve introduction of bills.

BILLS

29. Bills and resolutions may be drafted and introduced only on approval by a majority vote of the Rules Committee.

Enactment of laws, as provided in the Call for the Special Session, shall be by bill. No bill shall be introduced into the House the subject matter of which is not included in the Call.

30. Drafting by Office of Legislative Services

(a) All memorials and other papers addressed to the House and all bills and resolutions to be introduced in the House, except those house resolutions not taking a policy position that are prepared by the clerk of the House, shall be delivered or caused to be delivered to the Office of Legislative Services by the member presenting them. The Office of Legislative Services shall prepare those bills, resolutions, memorials and other papers in proper form and shall present them to the member(s) for signature. Legislative Services shall give precedence in drafting legislation to any measure that carries a fiscal note and all such legislation shall be prepared for signature by the sponsor.

(b) All bills, resolutions, memorials and other papers addressed to the House, shall be endorsed with the name and the district of the legislator presenting them. All legislation shall be numbered serially according to type of legislation introduced. Each bill shall be marked on the first page "Special Session House Bill"; and each house resolution shall be marked "Special Session House Resolution."

(c) No LSR number shall be assigned and no House bill shall be drafted unless the LSR or bill has a House sponsor. No more than ten House members shall be allowed to sponsor any bill or floor amendment. No more than 5 Senate members shall be allowed to co-sponsor legislation originating in the House.

(d) If a drafting request for a bill or resolution, filed with the Office of Legislative Services, requires a fiscal note as provided in RSA 14:44-47, the substance or a draft of the proposal may be provided to the Legislative Budget Assistant for preparation of the required fiscal note without the specific consent of the sponsor of the proposal.

31. Joint resolutions. All joint resolutions shall be treated in the same manner as bills.

32. Three readings. Every bill or resolution shall have three separate readings in the House prior to its passage. The first and second readings and referral to committee shall be by title only which may be accomplished by a single motion. No bill or resolution after it has been read a second time shall have a third reading until after adjournment from the early session. The time assigned for the third reading of bills, resolutions, and joint resolutions shall be in the late session unless otherwise ordered by the House. The orders of the day for the reading of bills shall hold for every succeeding day until disposed.

33. Clerk to provide Chairman's copies, bill copies for distribution. After each bill has been numbered, the clerk shall procure a sufficient number of copies for distribution.

34. Hearings and notices. A public hearing shall be held on each bill referred to a committee.

(a) Public hearings shall be advertised in the House Calendar no less than 4 days prior to a hearing.

(b) Executive sessions shall be advertised in the House Calendar no less than 2 days prior to committee action or announced on the floor of the House by the Chairman of the appropriate committee.

(c) The Speaker may authorize and direct the appropriate House committee to sit with the appropriate Senate committee at a public hearing of any Senate Special Session bill, and no further public hearing on such bill shall be required.

35. Amending bills.

(a) No amendment shall be made until the second reading of a bill. All amendments to bills shall be prepared by the Office of Legislative Services, with the name of the member and the district represented by the member or the name of the policy committee proposing the amendment.

(b) No amendment shall be added to any bill which is not germane to the subject matter of the legislative document as referred to the Committee.

36. Committee of conference reports.

(a) Whenever there is any disagreement between the House and the Senate on the content of any bill or resolution, and whenever both bodies, voting separately, have agreed to establish a committee of conference, the Speaker shall appoint four members to the House conference committee. The number of members of the committee of conference on any bill may increase or decrease if the presiding officers of both the House and the Senate agree.

(b) The first-named person from the body where the bill or resolution in disagreement originated shall have the authority to call the time and place for the first meeting of the committee of conference on said bill.

(c) The first-named House member on a committee of conference shall be the chairman of the House conferees. The chairman of the committee of conference of the body where the bill or resolution in disagreement originated shall chair the joint meeting(s) of the committee of conference.

(d) A committee of conference report analysis for all bills and resolutions in conference shall be prepared by the first-named House member on each conference.

(e) No action shall be taken on any committee of conference report until such report has been made available to the members of the House.

(f) A committee of conference may neither change the title of any bill submitted to it nor add amendments that are not germane to the subject matter of the bill as originally submitted to it. For the purpose of this rule, a non-germane amendment is any subject matter not contained in either the House or Senate version of the bill.

37. House rules suspension. No standing Special Session rule of the House shall be suspended unless two-thirds of the members present vote in favor thereof. A motion to suspend the rules is debatable.

ORDER OF BUSINESS

38. Early/late sessions; leaves of absence.

(a) The order of business in the early session shall be as follows:

1. Prayer by the Chaplain or a substitute designated by the Speaker, pledge of allegiance and leaves of absence if received before the start of the legislative day;

2. Introduction of guests;

3. Introduction, first and second reading and referral of bills;

4. Messages from the Senate, the Governor and the Secretary of State;

5. Reports from committees;

6. Resolutions, motions and notices;

7. Adjournment from the early session.

(b) The order of business in the late session shall be as follows:

1. Third reading of bills and resolutions.

2. Resolutions and motions;

3. Personal privilege in accordance with *Mason's Manual of Legislative Procedure*, Sec. 220-226, 2010 edition.

4. Unanimous consent in accordance with *Mason's Manual of Legislative Procedure*, Sec. 537, 2010 edition.

5. Adjournment to a date certain.

(c) The order of business listed in this rule shall be adhered to unless otherwise ordered by a majority of those members of the House present and voting.

(d) Leaves of absence may be granted by the House at any time.

OFFICERS AND PERSONNEL

39. Speaker shall define duties of officers and personnel. The elected and appointed non-member officers and personnel of the House shall be under the direction of the Speaker, who shall define their duties not fixed by statute or otherwise ordered by the House.

40. Expenditures approval. No officer or employee of the House during the session or any adjournment thereof shall purchase or contract to purchase, pay or promise to pay any sum of money on behalf of the House or issue any requisition or manifest without securing the approval in writing of the Speaker of the House or designee.

41. Security officer. The Speaker may appoint an individual trained and experienced in security matters or law enforcement work, who, under the supervision and direction of the Speaker, shall prevent the deliberations of the House from being disrupted or interfered with by any person or persons not members thereof.

42. Influencing legislation, prohibition of. No employee or attaché of the House Sergeant-at-Arms shall, directly or indirectly, be personally involved with or attempt to influence the passage or consideration of any measure whatsoever. If any such employee or attaché becomes involved with any such measure, it shall be grounds for summary dismissal.

MISCELLANEOUS

43. Deadly weapons; electronic devices; cameras. No person, including members of the House, except law enforcement officers while actively engaged in carrying out their duties as such, shall carry or have in possession any deadly weapon as defined in RSA 625:11, V while in the House Chamber, anterooms, cloakrooms, or House gallery. Any person in violation of this rule shall be subject to ejection from any such premises on the order of the Speaker and disciplinary action or arrest or both by action of the House. Nothing in this rule shall indicate that the security officer appointed by the House under Rule 41 has the right to stop and search a member of the House on the premises of the House or that any person is precluded a legally permitted exercise of self-defense or defense of others. With the exception of devices for the hearing impaired, no member shall operate audible electronic transmitting and/or receiving devices nor shall any member operate a video camera or a camera utilizing flash bulbs on the floor of the House, while the House is in session.

44. Sources of Authority. The procedures of the New Hampshire House shall be derived from the following sources in the order of precedence listed:

- (a) Constitutional provisions.
- (b) Rules of the New Hampshire House.
- (c) Custom, usage and precedent.
- (d) Adopted parliamentary manual (*Mason's Manual of Legislative Procedure*, 2010 edition).
- (e) Statutory provisions.

The question being adoption of the 2013 Special Session House Rules.

Reps. Weber and Jasper spoke in favor.

Rep. William O'Brien requested a roll call; sufficiently seconded.

YEAS 280 - NAYS 41

YEAS 280

BELKNAP

Arsenault, Beth
Flanders, Donald
Luther, Robert
Worsman, Colette

Burchell, Richard
Gulick, Ruth
Raymond, Ian

DiMartino, Lisa
Holmes, Stephen
Tilton, Franklin

Fields, Dennis
Huot, David
Vadney, Herbert

CARROLL

Buco, Thomas
Crawford, Karel
Nelson, Bill
Wright, Donald

Butler, Edward
Lavender, Tom
Ticehurst, Susan

Chandler, Gene
McConkey, Mark
Umberger, Karen

Cordelli, Glenn
Morrow, Harry
White, Syndi

CHESHIRE

Ames, Richard
Eaton, Daniel
Ley, Douglas
Sad, Tara
Weed, Charles

Berch, Paul
Hunt, John
Mann, John
Shepardson, Marjorie
Young, Harry

Butynski, William
Johnsen, Gladys
Parkhurst, Henry
Tatro, Bruce

Chase, Cynthia
Johnson, Jane
Robertson, Timothy
Weber, Lucy

COOS

Coulombe, Gary
Moynihan, Wayne
Thomas, Yvonne

Enman, Larry
Richardson, Herbert

Hammon, Marcia
Rideout, Leon

Hatch, William
Theberge, Robert

GRAFTON

Aguiar, James
Cooney, Mary
Gionet, Edmond
Lovett, Sid
Shackett, Jeffrey
White, Andrew

Almy, Susan
Doolan, Ralph Jr
Harding, Laurie
Massimilla, Linda
Smith, Suzanne

Benn, Bernard
Ford, Susan
Ladd, Rick Jr
Mulholland, Catherine
Sykes, George

Brown, Rebecca
Friedrich, Carol
Lauer, Linda
Pastor, Beatriz
Townsend, Charles

HILLSBOROUGH

Backus, Robert
Booras, Efstathia
Campbell, David

Barry, Richard
Brown, Pamela
Carroll, Douglas

Beaulieu, Jane
Burt, John
Chandley, Shannon

Boisvert, Ronald
Byron, Frank
Connor, Evelyn

Cote, David
 Flanagan, Jack
 Gidge, Kenneth
 Graham, John
 Hansberry, Daniel
 Heden, Ruth
 Jeudy, Jean
 LeBrun, Donald
 MacKay, Mariellen
 McCarthy, Michael
 Murphy, Kelleigh
 Ober, Russell III
 Ramsey, Peter
 Rosenwald, Cindy
 Shattuck, Gilman
 Spratt, Stephen
 Vail, Suzanne
 Winters, Joel

Culbert, Patrick
 Gage, Ruth
 Goley, Jeffrey
 Hackel, Paul
 Hansen, Peter
 Infantine, William
 Kelley, John
 LeVasseur, Richard
 Manley, Jonathan Sr
 McCloskey, David
 Nelson, Mary
 Parison, James
 Renzullo, Andrew
 Rowe, Robert
 Shaw, Barbara
 Stroud, Kathleen
 Walsh, Robert Jr
 Woodbury, David

DiSilvestro, Linda
 Gale, Sylvia
 Gorman, Mary
 Haefner, Robert
 Harriott-Gathright, Linda
 Jack, Martin
 Kopka, Angeline
 Levesque, Melanie
 Marston, Dick
 McNamara, Richard
 O'Brien, Michael Sr
 Pellegrino, Tony
 Rhodes, Brian
 Sanborn, Laurie
 Soucy, Timothy
 Sullivan, Peter
 Willette, Robert

Eaton, Richard
 Gargas, Carolyn
 Grady, Brenda
 Hammond, Jill
 Heath, Mary
 Jasper, Shawn
 Kurk, Neal
 Long, Patrick
 Martel, Andre
 Murotake, David
 O'Neil, William
 Porter, Marjorie
 Rokas, Ted
 Schmidt, Janice
 Souza, Kathleen
 Takesian, Charlene
 Williams, Kermit

MERRIMACK

Bartlett, Christy
 Carson, Clyde
 Frazer, June
 Hess, David
 Kidder, David
 Moffett, Howard
 Schamberg, Thomas
 Turcotte, Alan

Bouchard, Candace
 Davis, Frank
 French, Barbara
 Hirsch, Geoffrey
 Kotowski, Frank
 Patten, Dick
 Shurtleff, Stephen
 Walz, Mary Beth

Burns, Scott
 Ebel, Karen
 Gile, Mary
 Hunt, Jane
 Lockwood, Priscilla
 Ratzki, Mario
 Smith, Todd
 Webb, Leigh

Carey, Lorrie
 Frambach, Mary
 Henle, Paul
 Karrick, David Jr
 MacKay, James
 Rogers, Katherine
 Tilton, Joy

ROCKINGHAM

Abrami, Patrick
 Bick, Patrick
 Cali-Pitts, Jacqueline
 Cushing, Robert Jr
 Duarte, Joe
 Flockhart, Eileen
 Hoelzel, Kathleen
 Lundgren, David
 McMahon, Charles
 Packard, Sherman
 Schlachman, Donna
 Sweeney, Joe
 Waterhouse, Kevin
 Whittemore, Lisa

Allen, Mary
 Borden, David
 Charron, Gene
 Dana, Romeo
 Emerick, J. Tracy
 Griffin, Mary
 Khan, Aboul
 Major, Norman
 Moody, Marcia
 Pantelakos, Laura
 Sedensky, John
 Sytek, John
 Wazlaw, Brian

Andrews-Ahearn, E. Elaine
 Briden, Steven
 Chirichiello, Brian
 DeSimone, Debra
 Ferrante, Beverly
 Harris, Jeffrey
 Kolodziej, Walter
 Mann, Maureen
 Muns, Chris
 Peckham, Michele
 Sherman, Thomas
 Till, Mary
 Webb, James Sr

Belanger, Ronald
 Cahill, Michael
 Copeland, Timothy
 Devine, James
 Fesh, Robert
 Heffron, Frank
 Lovejoy, Patricia
 McKinney, Betsy
 O'Connor, John
 Priestley, Anne
 St.James, Kevin
 Ward, Gerald
 Weyler, Kenneth

STRAFFORD

Baber, William
 Burdwood, Greg
 Gray, James
 Hubbard, Pamela
 Malloy, Dennis
 Rogers, Rose Marie
 Stevens, Audrey

Berube, Roger
 Burke, Rachel
 Grossman, Kenneth
 Jones, Laura
 Miller, David
 Rollo, Deanna
 Verschueren, James

Bickford, David
 Gardner, Janice
 Hooper, Dorothea
 Kaen, Naida
 Mullen, John Jr
 Schmidt, Peter
 Wall, Janet

Bixby, Peter
 Grassie, Anne
 Horrigan, Timothy
 Ketel, Stephen
 Perry, Robert
 Spainhower, Dale
 Ward, Kenneth

SULLIVAN

Cloutier, John
 Irwin, Virginia
 Schmidt, Andrew

Gagnon, Raymond
 Lefebvre, Benjamin
 Smith, Steven

Gottling, Suzanne
 O'Hearne, Andrew
 Sweeney, Cynthia

Grenier, James
 Osgood, Joe
 Tanner, Linda

NAYS 41 BELKNAP

Comtois, Guy
 Sylvia, Michael

Cormier, Jane

Fink, Charles

Greemore, Robert Jr

CARROLL

None

CHESHIRE

None

COOS

Rappaport, Laurence

GRAFTON

None

HILLSBOROUGH

Boehm, Ralph
Daniels, Gary
Notter, Jeanine
Peterson, Lenette
Vaillancourt, Steve

Cebrowski, John
Hopper, Gary
O'Brien, William
Sandblade, Emily
Villeneuve, Moe

Christiansen, Lars
Lambert, George
Ober, Lynne
Straight, Philip
Warden, Mark

Coffey, James
Murphy, Keith
Palmer, Stephen
Ulery, Jordan

MERRIMACK

Hoell, J.R.

McGuire, Carol

McGuire, Dan

ROCKINGHAM

Baldasaro, Alfred
Gordon, Richard
Sapareto, Frank

Comerford, Timothy
Itse, Daniel
Tucker, Pamela

Dumaine, Dudley
Kappler, Lawrence

Elliott, Robert
Rice, Frederick

STRAFFORD

Beaudoin, Steven

Groen, Warren

Parsons, Robbie

SULLIVAN

None

and the 2013 Special Session House Rules were adopted.

RESOLUTION**INTRODUCTION OF SPECIAL SESSION BILL**

Drafting and introduction having been approved by the Rules Committee, Rep. Shurtleff offered the following: **RESOLVED**, that in accordance with the list in the possession of the clerk, Special Session House Bill numbered 1 shall be by this resolution read a first and second time by the therein listed title, sent for printing and referred to the therein designated committee.

Rep. Hunt spoke against and yielded to questions.

Rep. Vaillancourt spoke against.

MOTION TO RECESS

Rep. William O'Brien moved that the House stand in recess to allow a copy of **SS HB 1-FN-A**, relative to access to health insurance coverage, to be distributed to the members.

Rep. Pantelakos requested a roll call; sufficiently seconded.

YEAS 136 - NAYS 187**YEAS 136****BELKNAP**

Burchell, Richard
Fink, Charles
Luther, Robert
Worsman, Colette

Comtois, Guy
Flanders, Donald
Sylvia, Michael

Cormier, Jane
Greemore, Robert Jr
Tilton, Franklin

Fields, Dennis
Holmes, Stephen
Vadney, Herbert

CARROLL

Chandler, Gene
Morrow, Harry

Cordelli, Glenn
Nelson, Bill

Crawford, Karel
Umberger, Karen

McConkey, Mark
Wright, Donald

CHESHIRE

Hunt, John

Johnson, Jane

COOS

Rappaport, Laurence

Richardson, Herbert

Rideout, Leon

GRAFTON

Doolan, Ralph Jr

Gionet, Edmond

Ladd, Rick Jr

Shackett, Jeffrey

HILLSBOROUGH

Barry, Richard
Cebrowski, John
Flanagan, Jack
Hopper, Gary
Lambert, George
Martel, Andre

Boehm, Ralph
Christiansen, Lars
Graham, John
Infantine, William
LeBrun, Donald
McCarthy, Michael

Burt, John
Coffey, James
Haefner, Robert
Jasper, Shawn
LeVasseur, Richard
Murotake, David

Byron, Frank
Daniels, Gary
Hansen, Peter
Kurk, Neal
Marston, Dick
Murphy, Keith

Murphy, Kelleigh
Ober, Russell III
Peterson, Lenette
Sandblade, Emily
Ulery, Jordan
Willette, Robert

Notter, Jeanine
Palmer, Stephen
Renzullo, Andrew
Souza, Kathleen
Vaillancourt, Steve

O'Brien, William
Parison, James
Rowe, Robert
Straight, Philip
Villeneuve, Moe

Ober, Lynne
Pellegrino, Tony
Sanborn, Laurie
Stroud, Kathleen
Warden, Mark

MERRIMACK

Hess, David
McGuire, Carol

Hoell, J.R.
McGuire, Dan

Kotowski, Frank
Smith, Todd

Lockwood, Priscilla

ROCKINGHAM

Abrami, Patrick
Bick, Patrick
Copeland, Timothy
Duarte, Joe
Ferrante, Beverly
Harris, Jeffrey
Khan, Aboul
McKinney, Betsy
Peckham, Michele
Sapareto, Frank
Sytek, John

Allen, Mary
Charron, Gene
Danais, Romeo
Dumaine, Dudley
Fesh, Robert
Hoelzel, Kathleen
Kolodziej, Walter
McMahon, Charles
Priestley, Anne
Sedensky, John
Tucker, Pamela

Baldasaro, Alfred
Chirichiello, Brian
DeSimone, Debra
Elliott, Robert
Gordon, Richard
Itse, Daniel
Lundgren, David
O'Connor, John
Rice, Frederick
St.James, Kevin
Webb, James Sr

Belanger, Ronald
Comerford, Timothy
Devine, James
Emerick, J. Tracy
Griffin, Mary
Kappler, Lawrence
Major, Norman
Packard, Sherman
Sanders, Elisabeth
Sweeney, Joe
Weyler, Kenneth

STRAFFORD

Beaudoin, Steven
Jones, Laura

Bickford, David
Mullen, John Jr

Groen, Warren
Parsons, Robbie

Horrigan, Timothy

SULLIVAN

Smith, Steven

NAYS 187

BELKNAP

Gulick, Ruth

Huot, David

CARROLL

Lavender, Tom

Ticehurst, Susan

CHESHIRE

Ames, Richard
Eaton, Daniel
Parkhurst, Henry
Tatro, Bruce

Berch, Paul
Johnsen, Gladys
Robertson, Timothy
Weber, Lucy

Butynski, William
Ley, Douglas
Sad, Tara
Weed, Charles

Chase, Cynthia
Mann, John
Shepardson, Marjorie
Young, Harry

COOS

Coulombe, Gary
Moynihan, Wayne

Enman, Larry
Theberge, Robert

Hammon, Marcia
Thomas, Yvonne

Hatch, William

GRAFTON

Aguiar, James
Cooney, Mary
Lauer, Linda
Pastor, Beatriz
White, Andrew

Almy, Susan
Ford, Susan
Lovett, Sid
Smith, Suzanne

Benn, Bernard
Friedrich, Carol
Massimilla, Linda
Sykes, George

Brown, Rebecca
Harding, Laurie
Mulholland, Catherine
Townsend, Charles

HILLSBOROUGH

Backus, Robert
Brown, Pamela
Connor, Evelyn
Eaton, Richard
Gidge, Kenneth
Hackel, Paul
Heath, Mary
Kelley, John
MacKay, Mariellen
Nelson, Mary
Ramsey, Peter
Shattuck, Gilman
Sullivan, Peter
Williams, Kermit

Beaulieu, Jane
Campbell, David
Cote, David
Gage, Ruth
Goley, Jeffrey
Hammond, Jill
Heden, Ruth
Kopka, Angeline
Manley, Jonathan Sr
O'Brien, Michael Sr
Rokas, Ted
Shaw, Barbara
Takesian, Charlene
Winters, Joel

Boisvert, Ronald
Carroll, Douglas
Culbert, Patrick
Gale, Sylvia
Gorman, Mary
Hansberry, Daniel
Jack, Martin
Levesque, Melanie
McCloskey, David
O'Neil, William
Rosenwald, Cindy
Soucy, Timothy
Vail, Suzanne
Woodbury, David

Booras, Efstathia
Chandley, Shannon
DiSilvestro, Linda
Gargas, Carolyn
Grady, Brenda
Harriott-Gathright, Linda
Judy, Jean
Long, Patrick
McNamara, Richard
Porter, Marjorie
Schmidt, Janice
Spratt, Stephen
Walsh, Robert Jr

MERRIMACK

Bartlett, Christy
 Carson, Clyde
 Frazer, June
 Hirsch, Geoffrey
 MacKay, James
 Rogers, Katherine
 Turcotte, Alan

Bouchard, Candace
 Davis, Frank
 French, Barbara
 Hunt, Jane
 Moffett, Howard
 Schamberg, Thomas
 Walz, Mary Beth

Burns, Scott
 Ebel, Karen
 Gile, Mary
 Karrick, David Jr
 Patten, Dick
 Shurtleff, Stephen
 Watrous, Rick

Carey, Lorrie
 Frambach, Mary
 Henle, Paul
 Kidder, David
 Ratzki, Mario
 Tilton, Joy
 Webb, Leigh

ROCKINGHAM

Andrews-Ahearn, E. Elaine
 Cahill, Michael
 Heffron, Frank
 Muns, Chris
 Till, Mary
 Whittemore, Lisa

Borden, David
 Cali-Pitts, Jacqueline
 Lovejoy, Patricia
 Pantelakos, Laura
 Ward, Gerald

Briden, Steven
 Cushing, Robert Jr
 Mann, Maureen
 Schlachman, Donna
 Waterhouse, Kevin

Burtis, Elizabeth
 Flockhart, Eileen
 Moody, Marcia
 Sherman, Thomas
 Wazlaw, Brian

STRAFFORD

Baber, William
 Burke, Rachel
 Grossman, Kenneth
 Ketel, Stephen
 Rogers, Rose Marie
 Stevens, Audrey

Berube, Roger
 Gardner, Janice
 Hooper, Dorothea
 Malloy, Dennis
 Rollo, Deanna
 Verschueren, James

Bixby, Peter
 Grassie, Anne
 Hubbard, Pamela
 Miller, David
 Schmidt, Peter
 Wall, Janet

Burdwood, Greg
 Gray, James
 Kaen, Naida
 Perry, Robert
 Spainhower, Dale
 Ward, Kenneth

SULLIVAN

Cloutier, John
 Lefebvre, Benjamin
 Tanner, Linda

Gagnon, Raymond
 O'Hearne, Andrew

Gottling, Suzanne
 Schmidt, Andrew

Irwin, Virginia
 Sweeney, Cynthia

and the motion failed.

The question now being introduction of *SS HB 1-FN-A*, relative to access to health insurance coverage.
 Rep. Rosenwald spoke in favor.

Rep. Itse requested a roll call; sufficiently seconded.

YEAS 183 - NAYS 141**YEAS 183****BELKNAP**

Arsenault, Beth
 Raymond, Ian

DiMartino, Lisa

Gulick, Ruth

Huot, David

CARROLL

Buco, Thomas
 White, Syndi

Butler, Edward

Lavender, Tom

Ticehurst, Susan

CHESHIRE

Ames, Richard
 Eaton, Daniel
 Parkhurst, Henry
 Tatro, Bruce

Berch, Paul
 Johnsen, Gladys
 Robertson, Timothy
 Weber, Lucy

Butynski, William
 Ley, Douglas
 Sad, Tara
 Weed, Charles

Chase, Cynthia
 Mann, John
 Shepardson, Marjorie
 Young, Harry

COOS

Coulombe, Gary
 Moynihan, Wayne

Enman, Larry
 Theberge, Robert

Hammon, Marcia
 Thomas, Yvonne

Hatch, William

GRAFTON

Aguiar, James
 Cooney, Mary
 Lauer, Linda
 Pastor, Beatriz
 White, Andrew

Almy, Susan
 Ford, Susan
 Lovett, Sid
 Smith, Suzanne

Benn, Bernard
 Friedrich, Carol
 Massimilla, Linda
 Sykes, George

Brown, Rebecca
 Harding, Laurie
 Mulholland, Catherine
 Townsend, Charles

HILLSBOROUGH

Backus, Robert
 Brown, Pamela
 Connor, Evelyn
 Gage, Ruth
 Gorman, Mary
 Hansberry, Daniel

Beaulieu, Jane
 Campbell, David
 Cote, David
 Gale, Sylvia
 Grady, Brenda
 Harriott-Gathright, Linda

Boisvert, Ronald
 Carroll, Douglas
 DiSilvestro, Linda
 Gidge, Kenneth
 Hackel, Paul
 Heath, Mary

Booras, Efsthia
 Chandley, Shannon
 Eaton, Richard
 Goley, Jeffrey
 Hammond, Jill
 Heden, Ruth

Jack, Martin
Levesque, Melanie
McCloskey, David
O'Neil, William
Rokas, Ted
Shaw, Barbara
Vail, Suzanne
Woodbury, David

Jeudy, Jean
Long, Patrick
McNamara, Richard
Porter, Marjorie
Rosenwald, Cindy
Soucy, Timothy
Walsh, Robert Jr

Kelley, John
MacKay, Mariellen
Nelson, Mary
Ramsey, Peter
Schmidt, Janice
Spratt, Stephen
Williams, Kermit

Kopka, Angeline
Manley, Jonathan Sr
O'Brien, Michael Sr
Rhodes, Brian
Shattuck, Gilman
Sullivan, Peter
Winters, Joel

MERRIMACK

Bartlett, Christy
Carson, Clyde
Frazer, June
Hirsch, Geoffrey
Moffett, Howard
Schamberg, Thomas
Walz, Mary Beth

Bouchard, Candace
Davis, Frank
French, Barbara
Hunt, Jane
Patten, Dick
Shurtleff, Stephen
Watrous, Rick

Burns, Scott
Ebel, Karen
Gile, Mary
Karrick, David Jr
Ratzki, Mario
Tilton, Joy
Webb, Leigh

Carey, Lorrie
Frambach, Mary
Henle, Paul
MacKay, James
Rogers, Katherine
Turcotte, Alan

ROCKINGHAM

Andrews-Ahearn, E. Elaine
Cahill, Michael
Heffron, Frank
Muns, Chris
Till, Mary

Borden, David
Cali-Pitts, Jacqueline
Lovejoy, Patricia
Pantelakos, Laura
Ward, Gerald

Briden, Steven
Cushing, Robert Jr
Mann, Maureen
Schlachman, Donna
Wazlaw, Brian

Burtis, Elizabeth
Flockhart, Eileen
Moody, Marcia
Sherman, Thomas
Whittemore, Lisa

STRAFFORD

Baber, William
Burke, Rachel
Hooper, Dorothea
Ketel, Stephen
Rogers, Rose Marie
Stevens, Audrey

Berube, Roger
Gardner, Janice
Horriggan, Timothy
Malloy, Dennis
Rollo, Deanna
Verschueren, James

Bixby, Peter
Grassie, Anne
Hubbard, Pamela
Miller, David
Schmidt, Peter
Wall, Janet

Burdwood, Greg
Grossman, Kenneth
Kaen, Naida
Perry, Robert
Spainhower, Dale
Ward, Kenneth

SULLIVAN

Cloutier, John
Lefebvre, Benjamin
Tanner, Linda

Gagnon, Raymond
O'Hearne, Andrew

Gottling, Suzanne
Schmidt, Andrew

Irwin, Virginia
Sweeney, Cynthia

NAYS 141

BELKNAP

Burchell, Richard
Fink, Charles
Luther, Robert
Worsman, Colette

Comtois, Guy
Flanders, Donald
Sylvia, Michael

Cormier, Jane
Greemore, Robert Jr
Tilton, Franklin

Fields, Dennis
Holmes, Stephen
Vadney, Herbert

CARROLL

Chandler, Gene
Merrow, Harry

Cordelli, Glenn
Nelson, Bill

Crawford, Karel
Umberger, Karen

McConkey, Mark
Wright, Donald

CHESHIRE

Hunt, John

Johnson, Jane

COOS

Rappaport, Laurence

Richardson, Herbert

Rideout, Leon

GRAFTON

Doolan, Ralph Jr

Gionet, Edmond

Ladd, Rick Jr

Shackett, Jeffrey

HILLSBOROUGH

Barry, Richard
Cebrowski, John
Daniels, Gary
Haefner, Robert
Jasper, Shawn
LeVasseur, Richard
Murotake, David
O'Brien, William
Parison, James
Rowe, Robert
Straight, Philip
Vaillancourt, Steve

Boehm, Ralph
Christiansen, Lars
Flanagan, Jack
Hansen, Peter
Kurk, Neal
Marston, Dick
Murphy, Keith
Ober, Lynne
Pellegrino, Tony
Sanborn, Laurie
Stroud, Kathleen
Villeneuve, Moe

Burt, John
Coffey, James
Gargas, Carolyn
Hopper, Gary
Lambert, George
Martel, Andre
Murphy, Kelleigh
Ober, Russell III
Peterson, Lenette
Sandblade, Emily
Takesian, Charlene
Warden, Mark

Byron, Frank
Culbert, Patrick
Graham, John
Infantine, William
LeBrun, Donald
McCarthy, Michael
Notter, Jeanine
Palmer, Stephen
Renzullo, Andrew
Souza, Kathleen
Ulery, Jordan
Willette, Robert

MERRIMACK

Hess, David
Lockwood, Priscilla

Hoell, J.R.
McGuire, Carol

Kidder, David
McGuire, Dan

Kotowski, Frank
Smith, Todd

ROCKINGHAM

Abrami, Patrick
Bick, Patrick
Copeland, Timothy
Duarte, Joe
Ferrante, Beverly
Harris, Jeffrey
Khan, Aboul
McKinney, Betsy
Peckham, Michele
Sapareto, Frank
Sytek, John
Weyler, Kenneth

Allen, Mary
Charron, Gene
Danaïs, Romeo
Dumaine, Dudley
Fesh, Robert
Hoelzel, Kathleen
Kolodziej, Walter
McMahon, Charles
Priestley, Anne
Sedensky, John
Tucker, Pamela

Baldasaro, Alfred
Chirichiello, Brian
DeSimone, Debra
Elliott, Robert
Gordon, Richard
Itse, Daniel
Lundgren, David
O'Connor, John
Rice, Frederick
St.James, Kevin
Waterhouse, Kevin

Belanger, Ronald
Comerford, Timothy
Devine, James
Emerick, J. Tracy
Griffin, Mary
Kappler, Lawrence
Major, Norman
Packard, Sherman
Sanders, Elisabeth
Sweeney, Joe
Webb, James Sr

STRAFFORD

Beaudoin, Steven
Jones, Laura

Bickford, David
Mullen, John Jr

Gray, James
Parsons, Robbie

Groen, Warren

SULLIVAN

Grenier, James

Osgood, Joe

Smith, Steven

and the motion was adopted.

INTRODUCTION OF SPECIAL SESSION HOUSE BILL**First, second reading and referral**

SS HB 1-FN-A, relative to access to health insurance coverage. (Sherman, Rock 24; Rosenwald, Hills 30; Gilmour, Dist 12: Finance)

RESOLUTION

Rep. Shurtleff offered the following: **RESOLVED**, that the House now adjourn from the early session, that the business of the late session be in order at the present time.
Adopted.

UNANIMOUS CONSENT

Reps. Infantine, Notter, Baldasaro and Vaillancourt addressed the House.

MOTION TO PRINT REMARKS

Rep. Shurtleff moved that the remarks made by Rep. Infantine be printed in the Permanent Journal.
Adopted.

REMARKS

Rep. Infantine: Thank you, Madam Speaker. Fellow Representatives, I rise today in memory of one of our colleagues, Sahir Tahir or as many of you knew him as, "Saggy." Unfortunately, Saggy passed away on October 16th. When I first ran for this House, I heard about this person that I should meet in Manchester by the name of Saggy and I wondered who is Saggy and what is a Saggy, being a different and bizarre name. I came to know, like and very much respect Saggy. Saggy came to this country from Pakistan in 1972. He became an American citizen in 1978 and became the first Muslim to be elected to the legislature in this country. Saggy was elected for five different terms. He served from 2000 to 2010. By trade he was an engineer. I asked him, what does that entail? What do you do all the time? If there was ever a fire or a tornado in a large building somewhere, he would go out and inspect it to make sure it was structurally sound. So he got to go all over this country and see a lot of great things and I believe that helped him here as a legislator. There was a very poignant moment for Saggy right here at this podium, Madam Speaker. It was your first term as Speaker. Another one of our colleagues, Mike Whalley, had passed away and Saggy came to this podium here and talked about how Mike came up to him one day and asked him, "What does Saggy mean?" I don't know if this is true or not, but Saggy said it meant "little man." Now, Saggy may have been small in stature but he was a giant when it came to his love for New Hampshire, this country and this legislature. I learned of Saggy's death from Mark Hayward. He is a reporter for the Union Leader and he had written on a Facebook page that, "Saggy loved this country more than many people who were born here" and he truly did. I know that came across here as a legislator. Not only did Saggy support the legislature here; he was very generous. He did well for himself as an individual and he gave back to the community as well. So, it is with sadness that I have to stand here and talk about Saggy. I don't think anyone here ever saw him crass or angry. He was always willing to compromise. He was always willing to get something done. He embodied what is so special and unique about the New Hampshire legislature. Saggy has a wonderful wife and three great children. May he rest in peace. Thank you very much, Madam Speaker.

MOMENT OF SILENCE

A moment of silence was observed in honor and in memory of the former Representative from Manchester, the Honorable Saghir Tahir.

MOTION TO PRINT REMARKS

Rep. Shurtleff moved that the remarks made by Rep. Notter be printed in the Permanent Journal. Adopted.

REMARKS

Rep. Notter: Thank you, Madam Speaker. Retired Lt. Colonel Robert P. Kingsbury, of Laconia, was laid to rest with military honors in the New Hampshire Veteran's Cemetery, in Boscawen, on Sept. 10. He passed away Sept. 7, at the age of 87. He served in the 162nd NH State Legislature from 2010-12. I would like to tell you a little about the distinguished veteran that I knew. It must have been late August 2006 when I got an invitation in the mail to an event celebrating Constitution Day. "Constitution Day celebration!" I exclaimed to myself. "Awesome! I love New Hampshire!" I didn't know a single soul at the start of that event, but I made new friends that day, including the representative from Freemont, Dan Itse, a now former representative from Merrimack, Peyton Hinkle, and a gentleman with a quilt on his Army uniform. Another friend I made that day was a cable talk show host from Windham, Bill McNally. From Mr. McNally, I learned that the Army veteran was Lt. Col. Bob Kingsbury, who was in Patton's Third Army in World War II. It was an honor for me to meet him. My father was in Patton's Third Army, too. One month later, I was hosting my own cable talk show. One of my first guests was the sergeant who blew the wall on the beach at Normandy, the late Noel Dube, of Pepperell, Mass. God rest his soul. Meanwhile, Colonel Kingsbury sent me a two-disc documentary titled "Patton's Ghost Corps." He is featured several times on Disc 2. When I had the colonel on my show, he called me, "Miss Jeanine." His war stories were prudent for family viewing, but after the taping he gave me more details about the terrible things he saw in WWII. Colonel Kingsbury was a Libertarian who ran many times for state representative. Once he joined the Republican party, he won the election. He sat in front of me, in the second row of Section 3. He was hard-of-hearing, and often passed hand-written notes to those around him ... along with his pen ... so we could write back. He served with me on the committee of State and Federal Relations and Veterans Affairs. The representative from Londonderry, Al Baldasaro, was our chairman. Sometimes it appeared that Rep. Kingsbury was napping during committee. There was never any snoring, but his eyes were closed and his face looked relaxed. But then he would shoot his hand up to ask a question. So, he wasn't sleeping. He was concentrating. My favorite memory was the time he addressed someone who was testifying, with "Thank you, Mr. Witness." My friend, Bob, was known to me as Colonel, Representative and then as the Honorable Kingsbury. At his memorial, I learned that at his church he was known as "Brother Kingsbury." He was a respected and cherished member of his church and to other groups as well. Camp Constitution Press published, "First Scout for General Patton," the WWII memoirs of Pvt. Robert Kingsbury. A distant cousin of the current majority leader of the 163rd New Hampshire State Legislature gave me a copy. As lead rifleman, there were never Americans in front of Pvt. Kingsbury, only behind him. Among other things, he wrote about the bravest men he's ever met, the ones who didn't make it, and a scoundrel or two. The deprivation of our soldiers was something he could never forget. They were often ill-equipped, freezing and always very hungry. I liked the chapter describing the various rations. The better rations never seemed to make it to the front lines and the "C" rations were frozen solid during the winter. With no permission to light fires to defrost them, they were useless to our troops. As for the "D" rations, he pondered the existence of Hell. He surmised that if there is there is a Hell, then surely it must be a place where the diet is nothing but D bars for all eternity. He received a Purple Heart, a Combat Infantry Badge and a Bronze Star, but his main memory of combat was, "essentially, complete physical exhaustion." Staying active in the Army Reserves is how he got promoted to lieutenant colonel. He lived a full life and was a well-read man. Having donated his entire library to the John Birch Society, his collection of books filled a van. A mutual friend allowed me to look over a small portion of his books. I knew we shared a love of history, but I didn't know that he was also interested in deep-sea shipwreck discoveries, or that he, too, read the memoirs of Cardinal Minzenty, who was once a prisoner of the communists. I took both of those books home with me as well as "Patton's Third Army." After helping to liberate the concentration camps in Europe, my father was haunted by what he saw. He was never eager to share his experiences with us. I remember having a long conversation with Colonel Kingsbury about Patton's Third Army. He didn't know my dad, but I feel that, in a way, I could almost hear my own father talking to me through this fellow veteran of WWII. The Patton book is full of page markers. I'm wondering if the marked pages document events that my late friend personally experienced. I know that Bob Kingsbury is in a better place now, at peace, and not a single D ration in sight. He certainly must have heard the words, "Well done good and faithful servant." May his memory be eternal. Thank you.

MOMENT OF SILENCE

A moment of silence was observed in honor and in memory of the former Representative from Laconia, the Honorable Robert Kingsbury.

MOTION TO PRINT REMARKS

Rep. Itse moved that the remarks quoted by Rep. Baldasaro be printed in the Permanent Journal.
Adopted.

REMARKS

Rep. Baldasaro: Thank you, Madam Speaker. Fellow Representatives, I was going to make this short and sweet by reading two proclamations this morning, but they weren't done. So, I adjusted at about 10:00 this morning and said, well, what is more deserving than speaking on the Commandant of the Marine Corps message. For many out here that are in the Concord area on Sunday morning at 07:45 in the morning in front of the State House, Marines from all over the state, Americans, no party affiliation, we come as Marines, will be out front of the State House where there is a Marine on top of the State House who will raise the Marine Corps flag. It will be flown for 24 hours on behalf of the United States Marine Corps birthday. The Marines were established November 10, 1775. I was fortunate, like many before me, that was here 22 years, 3 months and 18 days. Who's counting? What I decided to do was get the message from the Commandant of the Marine Corp, who puts out a message every year and it goes as follows:

For 238 years, the United State Marine Corps has proudly served our great Nation with unfailing valor – bolstered by the enduring fortitude of our fellow Marines, our families, and our friends. This is why each year on November 10th, Marines from all generations gather together, in groups large and small, to celebrate the birthday of our Corps and to reflect on the proud legacy and warrior ethos we share. This is what unites us as Marines. From our first battle at New Providence to today in Afghanistan, Marines have always shown that they were made of tougher stuff – that when the enemy's fire poured in from all angles, and the situation was grim, Marines unequivocally knew that their fellow Marines would stay behind their guns, fight courageously, and drive the enemy from the battlefield. We have always known hardship, fatigue, and pain... but we have never known what it is to lose a battle! Marines of generations past built our reputation as the most disciplined and honorable warriors to ever set foot on a battlefield, and we have triumphed in every battle because our Corps has always focused on *iron discipline* and *combat excellence*. This is who we are.... this is what we do! It matters not whether you carried an M-1, an M-14, or M-16. It matters not whether you fought on a lonely island in the Pacific, assaulted a citadel in the jungle, or marched up to Baghdad. It matters not whether you are a grunt, a pilot or a loggie. What matters is that, when the chips were down and things got tough, your fellow Marines could count on you to stand and fight.....and fight you did! This year, we celebrate the anniversary of several epic battles in our celebrated history: the 70th anniversary of the 2nd Marine Division landing on Tarawa, the 45th anniversary of the Battle of Hue City, and the 10th anniversary of the "March Up" to Baghdad. Marines who fought in these legendary battles each made their mark upon the history of our Corps. They have passed a rich and illustrious legacy on to us – a much heralded reputation. It is ours to jealously guard, and it is up to us to make our own marks and thus proudly pass it on to the generations of Marines who will follow. Sergeant Major Michael Barrett joins me in congratulating each of you. Because of you, your selfless service, and your many sacrifices, our Corps remains strong and ready to respond to any crisis. Throughout history, Marines have faced tough times and there will be tough times ahead, but there is no challenge we cannot overcome if we remain honorable and always faithful to our Nation, our Constitution and each other. Happy Birthday, Marines!

Semper Fidelis,

James F. Amos, General, U.S. Marine Corps
Commandant of the Marine Corps

I remember my younger days and Ronald Reagan being the President and there is one statement that I will always remember. He said, "Many people..." I think it was 1984. "Many people live a lifetime not knowing who they are. Marines don't have that problem." Now, Veterans Day, November 11th. Busy weekend for many of us veterans sitting in this room because we are at the cemetery Monday at 11:00 a.m. Some of us are at the State House Sunday. Many of us are at lunches and breakfasts and in the Marine Corps lunch that goes on every year, not publicized, but Marines show up from all over the state. I think its 200-250 Marines for a birthday lunch. But anyways, since I did not have a resolution to speak on, I pulled a speech by a young Marine Corps Corporal, Roy Elsner, Corporal, 5th Marine Division. He served from 1943 to 1946 and I found this very fitting to be spoken to the House to understand the respect that we have for those that served before me and I'm sure those that will serve after.

An Iwo Jima Memory
By Roy A. Elsner, Corporal
5th Marine Division 1943-1946

It was the 19th day of February
And I watched the Marines parade,
As they went proudly marching past
I thought, "the memories never fade."

For 21 days I watched us die,
My mind wanted to shout.
It was vivid in that time of dread
When a bomb burst knocked me out.

I remembered that awful battle,
My friends screaming loud,
“Watch that bastard over there,”
And now my head is bowed.

The 5th, the 4th, the 3rd Marines,
Into hell they did charge.
Into a bloody cacophony of scenes
With Corps spirit looming large.

Iwo, Iwo Jima,
We can tell you it was so,
From Motoyama Airfield,
The Marines blood did flow.

And up those ashen terraces
To Suribachi we struggled on,
Meeting the enemy face to face
As he killed us one by one.

We landed in volcanic ash,
Our boots made a sucking sound
As we tried to make a dash
And gain the higher ground.

Manila John showed us how
To kill or be killed.
But in just an hour or so,
That mighty heart was stilled.

Basilone had led the way
With machine gun spouting flame,
A game he loved to play
Living up to his famous name.

Thank you, Madam Speaker.

Everything went black,
I struggled to get up,
My left arm just went slack
I howled like an injured pup.

Something warm was blinding me,
I couldn't dope it out.
Through a crimson haze I tried to see,
I was hit, there was no doubt.

The head wound hurt, the arm was numb,
My body I couldn't control.
So up I jumped and ran like hell
And began to feel so-o-o-o cold.

The doctor said, “You're lucky Mac,
As he cleaned the arm wound with a cloth.
“You lost the back of it,
But I don't have to take it off.”

The hospitals, the white starched sheets
The surgery lights ablaze,
Nurses in uniforms so neat,
The next 5 months was all a haze.

So now as I reminisce
And so many years have passed,
I give thanks to Almighty God
That I survived at last.

But how about the guys who didn't?
Almost seven thousand of our Marines,
Who on Iwo Jima gave their all,
And now look on heaven's scenes.

MOTION TO PRINT REMARKS

Rep. Gladys Johnsen moved that the remarks made by Rep. Vaillancourt be printed in the Permanent Journal.
Adopted.

REMARKS

Rep. Vaillancourt: Thank you, Madam Speaker. I never thought I'd have to be here speaking in praise of cultural diversity because we have reached a point in our society where everybody seems to accept it. I remember when I was 4 or 5 years old growing up in a very small town in Vermont, lily-white Vermont, the first black face I ever saw was when some apple pickers from Jamaica who were there for the season came to shop at a grocery store across the street from where I lived. I would see these apple pickers every year. My brother and I went back to pick some apples in the same community of Shoreham, Vermont this year and sure enough we saw the same black faced apple pickers. We've come a long way in terms of cultural diversity from when I was 4 or 5 years old to the time now when we see all kinds of people in the New Hampshire House. My friend from Manchester spoke about Saggy Tahir earlier and how he was of Pakistani heritage. I've actually asked the House research to look up the speech that Saggy gave under unanimous consent at the time of troubles between the US and Pakistan several years ago. I'm not sure if it was ever entered into the Permanent Journal, but we are trying to find it and if it is I think those are words we can all read again today to talk about how we have come to accept people and should not denigrate anybody for their nationality or their heritage. When I was living in Berlin, Germany, a friend of mine met a Russian Air Force bomber and we were invited by this bomber to spend a weekend with this Russian pilot on the Air Force base Northeast of Berlin. His name was Valery, his wife was Olga and they had a little son named Dimitri. I've just been reading some Russian history lately so this comes back to mind. They were the most wonderful people in the world and from what I hear the Russian people have a sense of being that way. So when I hear denigration of any group of people, even people that we're supposedly not supposed to like, like the Russians, I am truly saddened. As I was standing at the polls at Ward 8 a couple of days ago – cold day, but a bright and warm day. Not that many people voted, but I saw three oriental people going to vote. I think they were Vietnamese, but who knows. That was the most pleasant experience I had all day of seeing those three people that had come to this country and made a life here and were taking time to go vote. In an age when we take cultural

diversity for granted, I think we should be proud of it. As happy as I was to hear that story about Saggy Tahir that the other Manchester Representative and as proud as I was to know this person with such a kind and gentle soul, I was saddened this week when I heard somebody running for office talking about those of another nationality coming out of woodwork. That's the kind of comment we can live without. We need everybody coming, no matter what their nationality, to vote and I understand that in a couple of weeks we will have another member of this House with a nationality of Indian descent, I believe. We'll be stronger because of that. We've made so much progress since I was a young person. I think we need to continue to make that progress and never make comments against somebody because of their nationality or their diversity. Thank you.

RECESS MOTION

Rep. Shurtleff moved that the House stand in recess for the purposes of the introduction of bill, receiving Senate messages and messages from the Governor.

Adopted.

The House recessed at 11:35 a.m.

RECESS