

Re: HB 1692 – An Act Relative to the Legislative Youth Advisory Council
Position: Support

Dear Members of the New Hampshire House Committee on Legislative Administration,

My name is Lucy Adjemian, and I am a student from Durham, New Hampshire. I am writing in support of HB 1692, An Act Relative to the Legislative Youth Advisory Council, which strengthens an existing program that provides meaningful civic education and youth engagement.

The Legislative Youth Advisory Council (LYAC) gives students hands-on exposure to the legislative process by allowing them to observe hearings, understand how legislation moves through the State House, and engage with real policy discussions. This experience helps students develop a practical understanding of government while encouraging long-term civic participation.

LYAC also serves as a constructive bridge between legislators and young people across the state. When the council operates with clear expectations and consistent procedures, students are better able to learn from the experience and share thoughtful perspectives informed by their communities.

HB 1692 does not seek to replace or fundamentally change LYAC, but rather to improve how it operates within the framework already established in statute. By clarifying membership structure, outlining application and appointment procedures, and creating more consistent timelines, the bill helps ensure that students can participate fully and that the council can function more effectively without changing its core mission.

For these reasons, I respectfully urge the committee to support HB 1692.

Sincerely,
Lucy Adjemian
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