



## **Action Minutes**

**October 17, 2025**

**Members Present:** Senators Lang, and Long, and Representatives Layon, Grote, Hakken-Phillips\*, Lynn, and McGuire. (\*) Indicates alternate member.

(\*\*) Part 1, Article 28-a of the N.H. Constitution was not an issue in the Committee's discussions or decisions in this meeting.

1. The meeting was convened at 9:00 a.m. by Sen. Lang as Chair.

Members present at this time, aside from Sen Lang, were Rep. Layon, Senator Long, and Representatives, Grote, Hakken-Phillips, Lynn, and McGuire.

2. Sen. Lang designated Rep. Hakken-Phillips as an alternate for Rep. Schmidt, who was absent.
3. The Committee discussed the minutes of the Committee meeting on September 18, 2025.

Rep. McGuire moved that the minutes be approved.

Sen. Long seconded.

Adopted.

4. The Committee discussed the following items on the Consent Agenda:

### **CONSENT AGENDA**

<b>FP 2025-35</b>	BOARD OF FAMILY MEDIATOR CERTIFICATION Organization and Public Information Fam 100 various
<b>FP 2025-74</b>	DEPARTMENT OF LABOR Workers' Compensation Appeals Advisor Board Lab 1600
<b>FP 2025-76</b>	BOARD OF PSYCHOLOGISTS Approved Continuing Education Units (CEUs) Psyc 402.01
<b>FP 2025-63</b>	DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES FORMER DIVISION OF HUMAN SERVICES Evaluation and Treatment of Income He-W 854 various

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- FP 2025-97** DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES  
FORMER DIVISION OF HUMAN SERVICES  
Institutional Residence  
He-W 606.18, and He-W 624.01
- FP 2025-153** DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES  
FORMER DIVISION OF HUMAN SERVICES  
Electronic Benefit Transfer and Electronic Stolen Benefit Replacement  
He-W 671.01, and He-W 671.05
- FP 2025-160** DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES  
FORMER DIVISION OF HUMAN SERVICES  
General Program Information  
He-W 520
- FP 2025-94** BOARD OF EDUCATION  
General Application Instructions for Educator Credentials  
Ed 505.08
- FP 2025-170** FISH AND GAME DEPARTMENT  
Wanton Waste Prohibited  
Fis 313
- EXRF 2025-5** DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY  
Rules for Telephone Utilities  
En 404.02(b), En 404.02(e), En 408.01(b), En 408.02(a)-(f), and En 409.01
- FP 2025-88** BOARD OF PODIATRY  
License Renewal and Continuing Education Requirements  
Pod 400
- FP 2025-91** DEPARTMENT OF LABOR  
Safety and Health of Employees  
Lab 1400
- FP 2025-122** DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES  
OIL AND REMEDIATION PROGRAMS  
Various Contaminated Site Management Rules  
Env-Or 600
- FP 2025-123** DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES  
OIL AND REMEDIATION PROGRAMS  
Groundwater Release Detection Permits  
Env-Or 700
- FP 2025-124** DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES  
OIL AND REMEDIATION PROGRAMS  
Brownfields Program Under RSA 147-F  
Env-Or 800

- FP 2025-171** FISH AND GAME DEPARTMENT  
Guides  
Fis 1300
- FP 2025-174** FISH AND GAME DEPARTMENT  
Lake Trout, Salmon, and Black Bass Rules  
Fis 401, Fis 403, Fis 406, Fis 408
- FP 2025-181** DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES  
FORMER DIVISION OF HUMAN SERVICES  
Aid to the Needy Blind Program  
He-W 502
- INT 2025-15** DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES  
SOLID WASTE PROGRAMS  
Solid Waste Management Fund  
Env-Sw 2200

Rep. Lynn moved that the Committee approve the Consent Agenda, that is, approve Final Proposals 2025-35, 2025-74, 2025-76, 2025-63, 2025-97, 2025-153, 2025-160, 2025-94, and 2025-170; approve Preliminary Objection Response EXRF 2025-5; and conditionally approve Final Proposals 2025-88, 2025-91, 2025-122, 2025-123, 2025-124, 2025-171, 2025-174, and 2025-181, and Interim Rule 2025-15, based on the agencies' Conditional Approval Requests or amended Conditional Approval Requests.

Rep. Layon seconded.

Adopted.

5. The Committee discussed Final Proposal 2025-158 from the Department of Health and Human Services, Former Division of Human Services (Laboratory Services). Allyson Raadmae and Sarah Morris testified on behalf of the Department.

Rep. Lynn moved to approve the Final Proposal.

Rep. Grote seconded.

Adopted.

6. The Committee discussed Final Proposal 2025-169 from the Department of Natural and Cultural Resources (The Operation of Wood Processing Mills and Wood Concentration Yards; The Harvesting of Timber; Floating Timber; Forestry Health; Forest Fire Service; Administrative Fines; Enhanced Penalties). Chief Steven Sherman testified on behalf of the Department.

Rep. Layon expressed concerns that language found in Ncr 561.04 and Ncr 561.05 of the proposed rules pertaining to permissible burning materials and a limitation on burning material greater than 5" in diameter exceeded the scope of the Department's statutory authority.

Sen. Lang moved to postpone Final Proposal 2025-169 and waive the JLCAR deadline of November 18, 2025.

Rep. Grote seconded.

Adopted.

7. The Committee discussed Final Proposal 2025-173 from the Fish and Game Department (Fishing Tournaments: Definitions, Reporting, and Derby Rules). Marty Mobley and John MaGee testified on behalf of the Department.

OLS raised concerns about an unnoticed change to the rules pertaining to the amount of time an individual would have to pay an entry fee before their spot in a tournament was forfeit.

Sen. Lang moved to postpone Final Proposal 2025-173.

Rep. Lynn seconded.

Adopted.

8. The Committee discussed a change to the form used by agencies to submit notice of proposed Interim Rules.

Sen. Lang left the meeting at this time. Rep. Layon assumed responsibilities of Chair.

Rep. McGuire moved to approve the change to the form.

Rep. Lynn seconded.

Approved.

9. The Committee cancelled the continued meeting by consensus.
10. The Committee discussed adjournment. By consensus, the Committee adjourned at 9:36 a.m.