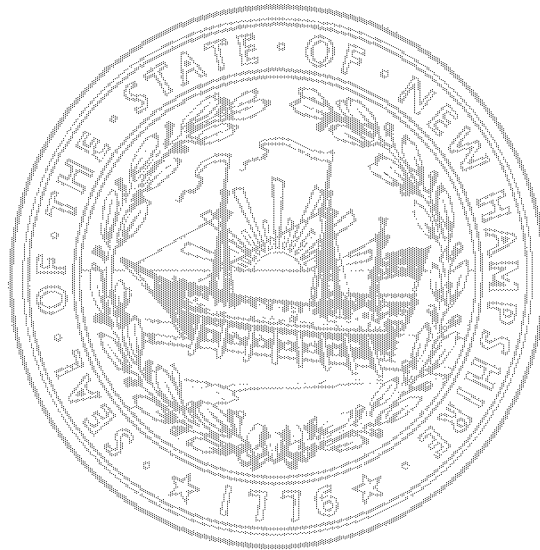


March 27, 2000

No. 19

STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE



Legislative

SENATE CALENDAR

REPORTS, HEARINGS, MEETINGS & NOTICES

**THE SENATE WILL MEET IN SESSION ON THURSDAY, MARCH 30,
2000 AT 10:00 A.M.**

LAID ON THE TABLE

HB 542-FN-A, (2nd New Title) repealing the legacies and succession tax.

HB 617-FN-A-L, relative to funding and monitoring seacoast harbor issues.

HB 723-FN, relative to standby and emergency guardianship proxies.

SB 132, requiring the removal of the telecommunications tower on Mount Kearsarge.

SB 203, authorizing electronic games of chance at racetracks.

SB 218-FN-L, regulating the land application of sewage sludge.

SB 329, relative to the display of tobacco products.

SB 337-FN, (New Title) requiring any person applying for or renewing a driver's license to be checked through the National Crime Information Center (NCIC) for outstanding warrants or court defaults, as a precondition to issuance, and authorizing interest penalties on unpaid violations.

SB 365-L, [New Title]relative to the adoption of bonds or notes in school districts and municipalities.

SB 379-FN, relative to lottery scratch tickets.

SB 399-FN-A, making an appropriation to the fish and game department for the purposes of the wildlife damage control program.

SB 406, clarifying water pollution control restrictions.

SB 429-FN, relative to claims before the state commission for human rights.

SB 433, relative to the age at which a minor may purchase or possess handguns and ammunition.

SB 462-FN-A-L, establishing a reformed public school financing system for ensuring educational adequacy for all children, and establishing a state public education assistance system funded solely with state tax revenues, and making an appropriation therefor.

REPORTS

EDUCATION

HB 273, (New Title) establishing a school building aid oversight committee. Vote 6-0

Inexpedient to Legislate, Senator Eaton for the committee.

HB 514-L, (New Title) relative to change of school assignment and transfers of public school pupils. Vote 6-0

Inexpedient to Legislate, Senator D'Allesandro for the committee.

HB 699-FN-A, establishing the granite state scholars program and making an appropriation therefor. Vote 6-0

Ought to Pass, Senator McCarley for the committee.

HB 1362-L, relative to the reconsideration of cost apportionment within a cooperative school district. Vote 6-0

Ought to Pass, Senator Larsen for the committee.

SB 360, adopting a pupil safety and violence prevention act. Vote 7-0

Ought to pass with amendment, Senator Larsen for the committee.

ENERGY & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

HB 1179, relative to final orders of the public utilities commission. Vote 5-0

Ought to Pass, Senator Fraser for the committee.

HB 1318, (New Title) establishing a committee to study the instability of kerosene, gasoline, diesel fuel, and home heating fuel prices. Vote 4-0

Ought to Pass, Senator Disnard for the committee.

HB 1462, (New Title) extending the report date and changing the membership and duties of the committee to study methods to promote the use of renewable energy sources. Vote 4-0

Ought to Pass, Senator Below for the committee.

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENTS AND ADMINISTRATION

HB 1175, relative to license renewal for dental hygienists. Vote 6-0

Ought to Pass, Senator Francoeur for the committee.

HB 1301, relative to regional appointments to the state committee on aging. Vote 6-0

Ought to pass with amendment, Senator D'Allesandro for the committee.

JUDICIARY

HB 312, (New Title) relative to the carrying of firearms in courthouses. Vote 5-0

Ought to Pass, Senator Trombly for the committee.

HB 568, (New Title) establishing a program for performance evaluations of judges. Vote 6-0

Ought to Pass, Senator Brown for the committee.

PUBLIC AFFAIRS

HB 1264-FN, relative to the unlawful use of theft detection shielding devices. Vote 5-0

Ought to pass with amendment, Senator Disnard for the committee.

HB 1413, relative to the rights of ownership of cemetery plots or burial spaces. Vote 4-0

Ought to pass with amendment, Senator Roberge for the committee.

TRANSPORTATION

HB 279-FN-A, relative to refinancing the cost and rehabilitation of the Cheshire Bridge. Vote 4-0

Ought to Pass, Senator Below for the committee.

HB 630-FN-L, relative to the Skyhaven airport transfer plan. Vote 3-1

Ought to Pass, Senator Gordon for the committee.

HB 1161, making technical changes to the New Hampshire Aeronautics Act and establishing a committee to study revisions to the state aeronautics laws. Vote 4-0

Ought to pass with amendment, Senator Roberge for the committee.

HB 1588, relative to the authority of the department of transportation regarding rail safety inspections. Vote 4-0

Ought to pass with amendment, Senator Gordon for the committee.

HB 1613, exempting police officers on bicycles from certain motor vehicle laws and rules. Vote 3-0

Ought to Pass, Senator Roberge for the committee.

COMMITTEE OF CONFERENCE

HB 553, (New Title) establishing a commission on the status of men.

Tuesday, 3/28/00, Room 100, SH 3:00 p.m.

Senate Conferees: Senators Cohen, Larsen, Brown

House Conferees: Representatives Sapareto, Zolla, Boyce, Burkush

AMENDMENTS

Senate Education

March 22, 2000

2000-3917s

04/10

Amendment to SB 360

Amend RSA 193-F:2 as inserted by section 1 of the bill by replacing it with the following:

193-F:2 Purpose and Intent. The general court hereby finds that:

I. All pupils have the inalienable right to attend public schools that are safe, secure, and peaceful. Violence is the number one cause of death for young people and has become a public health problem of epidemic proportion. One of the legislature's highest priorities must be to protect our children from the plague of violence.

II. The fastest growing violent crime is hate crime, and it is incumbent upon us to ensure that all pupils attending public school are protected from potentially violent discrimination. Educators see how violence affects youth every day; they know first hand that youth cannot learn if they are concerned about their safety. This chapter is designed to protect the institution of learning as well as our pupils.

III. Not only do we need to address the issue of school violence but we also must strive to reverse the increase in teen suicide. The number of teens who attempt suicide, as well as the number who actually kill themselves, has risen substantially in recent years. Teen suicides in the United States have doubled in number since 1960 and every year over a quarter of a million adolescents in the United States attempt suicide. Approximately 4,000 of these attempts every year are completed. Suicide is the third leading cause of death for youths 15 through 24 years of age. To combat this problem we must seriously examine these grim statistics and take

immediate action to ensure all pupils are offered equal protection from discrimination under New Hampshire law.

Amend RSA 193-F:4 as inserted by section 1 of the bill by replacing it with the following:

193-F:4 Discrimination Prohibited.

I. No person shall be subjected to discrimination, including harassment, on the basis of sex, ethnic group identification, race, national origin, religion, color, mental or physical disability, or sexual orientation in any program or activity conducted by an educational institution that receives, or benefits from, state financial assistance or enrolls pupils who receive state pupil financial aid.

II. Each local school board shall adopt policies relative to non-discrimination and harassment which are consistent with the provisions of this chapter and with the rules adopted by the state board of education.

III. Any school employee who has witnessed or knows of an incident involving any of the activities prohibited under this chapter shall report the incident to a person with authority to remedy the incident, who shall in turn report the incident to the superintendent.

IV. The remedy required in paragraph III shall be defined by the local school board. The local school board shall provide opportunities for educators to have sufficient knowledge and skills to be effective in preventing or responding to acts prohibited under this chapter.

V. A school employee who has reported violations under this chapter to the person with authority, or who has intervened under paragraph III, shall be immune from any cause of action which may arise from the failure to remedy the reported incident.

VI. For purposes of this section, "person with authority" means the principal.

VII. Any school employee acting under the provisions of this chapter shall be immune from any cause of action for any act taken pursuant to this chapter.

Amend the bill by replacing all after section 1 with the following:

2 New Subparagraph; State Board of Education; Rulemaking; Pupil Safety and Violence Prevention Rules Added. Amend RSA 21-N:9, II by inserting after subparagraph (bb) the following new subparagraph:

(cc) Procedures for local school boards and persons with authority to respond to, and provide relief and remedy for, reported incidents of pupil discrimination and harassment prohibited by RSA 193-F, which shall include due process procedures at the local school board level.

3 Effective Date. This act shall take effect January 1, 2001.

Senate Executive Departments and Administration
March 21, 2000
2000-3905s
05/09

Amendment to HB 1301

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

1 Committee Established; Organization; Meetings; Expenses; Membership. Amend RSA 161-F:7 to read as follows:

161-F:7 Committee Established; Organization; Meetings; Expenses.

I. There shall be a state committee on aging which shall consist of 18 members. ~~[Three]~~
The governor shall appoint 15 members ~~[shall be appointed by the governor]~~ with the approval of the council ~~[from each of the 5 councilor districts established under RSA 662:2].~~

Those appointed by the governor shall include at least one member from each county.

The committee shall also include the chairman of the joint legislative committee on elderly affairs, one representative appointed by the speaker of the house, and one senator appointed by the president of the senate. Each of the members shall serve for a term of 3 years except the legislative members' terms shall be co-terminous with their 2-year legislative terms. At least 8 members shall be 60 years of age or older at the time of their appointment, and not more than 8 members shall be of the same political party. Nine members shall constitute a quorum. No member shall serve more than 2 consecutive terms, and no member shall have a material financial interest in any agency receiving federal or other funds administered by the ~~[committee]~~
division of elderly and adult services.

II. The governor shall name one member of the committee to act as chairman. ~~[His]~~
The term of office as chairman shall be for 2 years. The chairman shall call the first meeting of the ~~[council]~~ **committee**. The committee shall elect a vice-chairman and a clerk.

III. The committee shall meet no less than once in each 3-month period.

IV. All members of the committee shall be reimbursed for actual expenses, including any necessary in-state travel connected with committee business at the mileage rate established for state employees, within the limits of the appropriation made therefor.

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

Public Affairs
March 27, 2000
2000-3953s
05/10

Amendment to HB 1264-FN

Amend the bill by replacing section 2 with the following:

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

Public Affairs
March 22, 2000
2000-3927s
09/01

Amendment to HB 1413

Amend the bill by replacing section 4 with the following:

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

Senate Transportation
March 27, 2000
2000-3956s
09/04

Amendment to HB 1161

Amend paragraph I of section 4 of the bill by replacing it with the following:

I. The voting members of the committee shall be 7 members of the house of representatives, appointed by the speaker of the house.

Amend the bill by replacing section 6 with the following:

6 Chairperson; Quorum. The members of the study committee shall elect a chairperson from among the members. The first meeting of the committee shall be called by the first-named member. The first meeting of the committee shall be held within 45 days of the effective date of this section. Four members of the committee shall constitute a quorum.

Senate Transportation
March 24, 2000
2000-3950s
04/09

Amendment to HB 1588

Amend RSA 367:55, III as inserted by section 2 of the bill by replacing it with the following:

III. The commissioner shall employ such expert, professional, or other assistance as is necessary to carry out the activities of this section, provided that a former railroad employee shall not perform inspections within the same railroad division in which he or she formerly worked for a period of one year from the date the person terminated his or her railroad employment.

HEARINGS

TUESDAY, MARCH 28, 2000

ENERGY & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, Room 105A, SH

- 2:45p.m. **HCR 31**, urging the New Hampshire congressional delegation to take action to keep the international border crossing between the United States and Canada, in the town of Pittsburg, New Hampshire, open 24 hours a day.
- 3:00 p.m. **HB 1559-FN**, (New Title) establishing a committee to study the organization and functions of the New Hampshire state port authority.
- 3:15 p.m. **HB 1470**, relative to divestiture of electric utility assets.

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENTS AND ADMINISTRATION, Room 101, LOB

- 1:00 p.m. **SB 457**, relative to ownership of certified public accounting firms.
- 1:20 p.m. **SB 458**, increasing the salary of the executive secretary of the retirement system and changing the title to executive director.
- 1:40 p.m. **HB 51**, (New Title) providing for the voluntary registration of commercial maple producers and maple packers.
- 2:00 p.m. **HB 725**, relative to rulemaking under the administrative procedures act.

INSURANCE, Room 103, SH

- 9:30 a.m. **HB 1311**, relative to payment of employer contributions for unemployment compensation.
- 9:50 a.m. **HB 1510-FN**, relative to establishing a medical savings account plan for providing state employee health care benefits.
- 10:20 a.m. **HB 1512-FN**, (New Title) establishing a committee to study the feasibility of implementing a paid family and medical leave insurance program and potential funding sources to support it.

● **PLEASE NOTE: HB 618-FN-A, WILL BE RESCHEDULED TO A DATE UNDETERMINED.**

PUBLIC INSTITUTIONS, HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES, Room 102, LOB

- 1:00 p.m. **HB 1502**, (New Title) relative to lead paint abatement.
- 1:30 p.m. **HB 1256**, clarifying certain health care laws.
- Rescheduled **HB 618-FN-A**, (New Title) establishing a voucher program for smoking cessation.

TRANSPORTATION, Room 104, LOB

- 2:45 p.m. **HB 1334-L**, relative to posting municipal roads.
- 3:00 p.m. **HB 1169**, relative to gates and bars on class VI roads.
- 3:15 p.m. **HB 1165-FN-L**, reclassifying certain roads in the towns of Northfield, Tilton, and Waterville Valley.
- 3:30 p.m. **HB 1614**, naming 2 bridges.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 29, 2000

JUDICIARY, Room 103, SH

- 10:00 a.m. **HB 1448**, relative to the partition of real property.

- 10:20 a.m. **HB 1233**, relative to interest on judgments.
- 10:40 a.m. **HB 628**, relative to the relocation of the principal residence of a child.
- 11:00 a.m. **HB 713-FN**, relative to penalties for multiple DWI offenses.

PUBLIC AFFAIRS, Room 104, LOB

- 1:00 p.m. **SB 461**, establishing a committee to study the creation of a flag to honor all police departments in the state.
- 1:15 p.m. **HB 1199**, establishing a study committee on funding for affordable housing.
- 1:30 p.m. **HB 1166**, relative to confidentiality and information collection by the department of agriculture, markets, and food.
- 1:45 p.m. **HB 1531**, relative to the preemption of local regulations of firearms.

THURSDAY, MARCH 30, 2000

INTERNAL AFFAIRS, Room 103, LOB

- 2:45 p.m. **HB 1592**, relative to the display of the United States flag.
- 3:00 p.m. **HB 1149**, commemorating the anniversary of the founding of certain branches of the United States armed forces.
- 3:30 p.m. **HB 1156**, establishing June 20th each year as Destroyer Escort Day.

FRIDAY, MARCH 31, 2000

FINANCE, Room 103, SH

- 1:00 p.m. **HB 1504**, relative to submission of biennial budget estimates by agencies.
- 1:30 p.m. **HB 1171**, restricting the payment of salaries to suspended judicial officers.

EXECUTIVE SESSION TO FOLLOW

TUESDAY, APRIL 4, 2000

ENVIRONMENT, Room 104, LOB

- 10:30 a.m. **HB 648-FN**, relative to a sludge testing program.
- 10:50 a.m. **HB 1416-FN**, establishing a brownfields cleanup revolving loan fund.
- 11:10 a.m. **HB 1258-FN**, relative to invasive plant, insect, and fungal species.
- 11:30 a.m. **HB 1235**, (New Title) relative to defining surface waters.
- 11:50 a.m. **HB 1127**, establishing a committee to study the application and appeal procedures for excavating and dredging permits.
- 12:10 p.m. **SB 460-FN**, establishing a grant program to reimburse eligible districts served by municipal waste combustors.

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENTS AND ADMINISTRATION, Room 101, LOB

- 1:00 p.m. **HB1583**, increasing the education requirement for estheticians and manicurists and relative to the board of barbering, cosmetology, and esthetics.
- 1:20 p.m. **HB 1172**, providing staggered terms for agricultural advisory board members.
- 1:40 p.m. **HB 1234**, (New Title) relative to special commissions to perform marriages in New Hampshire.
- 2:00 p.m. **HB 1321**, relative to certain funds collected by order of the public utilities commission.

INSURANCE, Room 103, SH

9:00 a.m. **HB 1282**, establishing a committee to study the possibility of self-insuring state employees.

9:30 a.m. **HB 1326**, relative to managed care programs under workers' compensation.

PUBLIC INSTITUTIONS, HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES, Room 102, LOB

1:00 p.m. **HB 405-FN**, (2nd New Title) relative to the annual funding of placement costs for juvenile diversion and alternative disposition programs and relative to an effectiveness study of such programs.

2:00 p.m. **HB 1337**, repealing the New Hampshire foundation for mental health.

TRANSPORTATION, Room 104, LOB

3:00 p.m. **HB 1106**, making the widening of Interstate 93 from Manchester to the Massachusetts border a state priority.

3:20 p.m. **HB 505-FN**, establishing a special license plate for veterans.

3:40 p.m. **HB 1268**, relative to certain vehicle registrations.

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 5, 2000

EDUCATION, Room 105-A, SH

9:00 a.m. **HB 413**, relative to the renovation of regional vocational education centers, and making an appropriation therefor.

WORK SESSION

JUDICIARY, Room 103, SH

10:00 a.m. **HB 522**, relative to the public's access to sex offender registry information.

10:35 a.m. **HB 297-FN**, (New Title) permitting a jury trial in the superior court for alleged violations of the state law against discrimination for a certain time period or with the written assent of the commission for human rights after an action has been filed with the commission.

11:15 a.m. **HB 1239**, relative to durable powers of attorney.

THURSDAY, APRIL 6, 2000

INTERNAL AFFAIRS, Room 103, LOB

2:45 p.m. **HB 1368-FN**, establishing a Civil War memorials commission for the construction and maintenance of New Hampshire Civil War monuments and memorials.

3:15 p.m. **HB 1573**, (New Title) relative to the funding of the salary of the director of emergency medical services and making an appropriation therefor.

TUESDAY, APRIL 11, 2000

ENVIRONMENT, Room 104, LOB

9:00 a.m. **HB 1185**, extending the report date of the committee established to study mercury source reduction and recycling issues to November 1, 2000.

9:15 a.m. **HJR 25**, urging the United States Secretary of Agriculture, the Director of the Drug Enforcement Administration, and the Director of the Office of National Drug Control Policy to revise regulations to permit the controlled, experimental cultivation of industrial hemp in New Hampshire.

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENTS AND ADMINISTRATION, Room 101, LOB

1:00 p.m. **HB 1160**, relative to access to the enhanced 911 system.

- 1:30 p.m. **HB 1450-FN**, (New Title) relative to hearings and appeals of equal pay claims.
2:00 p.m. **HB 1535-FN**, (New Title) relative to creation of a commission to study the state's increasing appellate caseload and solutions to the increasing appellate caseload.

● **PLEASE NOTE THE ADDITION OF HB 1390 TO THE FOLLOWING HEARINGS.**

PUBLIC INSTITUTIONS, HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES, Room 102, LOB

- 1:00 p.m. **HB 1272**, allowing school nurses to possess and administer epinephrine for certain emergency treatment.
2:00 p.m. **HB 427**, relative to the laws requiring a prescription to possess hypodermic needles and modifying the drug paraphernalia laws applying to syringes.
2:30 p.m. **HB 1390**, (New Title) establishing a commission to study the relationship between public health and the environment.

TRANSPORTATION, Room 104, LOB

- 2:45 p.m. **HB 1357-FN**, relative to the sale of state-owned property in the towns of Belmont and Laconia.
3:00 p.m. **HB 1322**, relative to the regulation of certain outdoor advertising devices.
3:20 p.m. **HB 1143-FN**, relative to renaming New Hampshire route 28 in the town of Wolfeboro as the "Gary Parker Memorial Highway."

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 12, 2000

PUBLIC AFFAIRS, Room 104, LOB

- 1:00 p.m. **HB 1194**, relative to the composition of planning boards in certain cities.
1:15 p.m. **HB 1582**, (New Title) establishing a committee to study workplace policies and practices of small businesses for their effect on New Hampshire employees and their families.
1:30 p.m. **HB 1327**, relative to residency of prisoners for purposes of voter registration.
2:00 p.m. **HB 1331**, relative to campaign contributions by corporations.

MONDAY, APRIL 17, 2000

JUDICIARY, Room 306-308, LOB

- 10:00 a.m. **HB 1548-FN**, abolishing the death penalty.

TUESDAY, APRIL 18, 2000

PUBLIC INSTITUTIONS, HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES, Room 102, LOB

- 1:00 p.m. **HB 1607**, establishing a study committee to consider legislation reducing to zero the number of mentally retarded or developmentally disabled individuals in the state who are not receiving or have not received medicaid services.
2:00 p.m. **HCR 24**, relative to integration of people with disabilities.

TUESDAY, APRIL 25, 2000

PUBLIC INSTITUTIONS, HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES, Room 102, LOB

- 1:00 p.m. **HB 310**, (New Title) providing that the department of agriculture, markets, and food shall not conduct meat inspections unless and until such time as the United States Department of Agriculture withdraws its meat inspection program from the state.
- 1:30 p.m. **HCR 20**, urging Congress to stop the collection of certain kinds of information from patients in a home health care setting.
- 2:00 p.m. **HB 1464**, relative to the licensing process for new health care facility construction.

TUESDAY, MAY 2, 2000

PUBLIC INSTITUTIONS, HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES, Room 102, LOB

- 1:00 p.m. **HB 1579-FN**, (New Title) establishing certain penalties for violations of the youth tobacco laws and clarifying a definition under the indoor smoking act.
- 2:00 p.m. **HB 1602-FN**, establishing the New Hampshire task force on deafness and hearing loss.

TUESDAY, MAY 9, 2000

PUBLIC INSTITUTIONS, HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES, Room 102, LOB

- 1:00 p.m. **HJR 20**, urging the United States Congress to fully fund the Ricky Ray Hemophilia Relief Fund Act for HIV victims.
- 1:30 p.m. **HB 1139**, establishing a committee to study involuntary emergency admission hearings.
- 2:00 p.m. **HB 1319**, extending the reporting date of the committee studying negotiated risk agreements and requiring the department of health and human services to conduct a study.

TUESDAY, MAY 16, 2000

PUBLIC INSTITUTIONS, HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES, Room 102, LOB

- 1:00 p.m. **HB 1541-L**, relative to the cremation of deceased persons.
- 1:20 p.m. **HB 1571-FN**, relative to claims arising from clinical services provided to the department of corrections.

MEETINGS

TUESDAY, MARCH 28, 2000

SUBCOMMITTEE OF THE FISCAL COMMITTEE OF THE GENERAL COURT FOR REQUESTING PROPOSALS OF TAX SIMULATION & FORECASTING MODELS Room 102, LOB

9:00-11:00 a.m. Regular Meeting

SENATE FISCAL TASK FORCE COMMITTEE Manchester - Aldermanic Chamber

6:00-8:00 p.m. Regular Meeting

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 29, 2000

SUBCOMMITTEE OF THE FISCAL COMMITTEE OF THE GENERAL COURT FOR REQUESTING PROPOSALS OF TAX SIMULATION & FORECASTING MODELS Room 102, LOB

9:00-11:00 a.m. Regular Meeting

SENATE FISCAL TASK FORCE COMMITTEE Room 103, SH

3:00 p.m. Regular Meeting

NH DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION McLaughlin Middle School 290 Mammoth Road Manchester, NH - Salem-Manchester, 10418-C I-93 Widening

7:00 p.m. Officials Meeting

THURSDAY, MARCH 30, 2000

NH DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION Knightly Meeting Room Town Hall 33 Geremonty Drive Salem, NH - Salem-Manchester, 10418-C I-93 Widening

7:00 p.m. Officials Meeting

NH DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION Hollis Town Hall 7 Monument Sq. Hollis, NH - Hollis 12648 Main St / Broad St / Ash St. Sidewalk and Connector

7:00 p.m. Public Officials Meeting

FRIDAY, MARCH 31, 2000

OSTEOPOROSIS ADVISORY COUNCIL (RSA 126-I:3) Room 205, LOB

9:00-11:00 a.m. Regular Meeting

● PLEASE NOTE THE FOLLOWING MEETING HAS BEEN CANCELLED.

ADEQUATE EDUCATION & EDUCATION FINANCING COMMISSION (RSA 198:49, I) Room 210-211, LOB

Cancelled. Regular Meeting

ELECTRIC UTILITY OVERSIGHT (RSA 374-F:5) Room 302-304, LOB

10:00 a.m. Regular Meeting

PET OVERPOPULATION (RSA 437-A:7) Room 301-303, LOB

10:00 a.m. Regular Meeting

MONDAY, APRIL 3, 2000

COMMISSION ON THE STATUS OF COMMUNITY- TECHNICAL EDUCATION (SB 503, Chapter 272:35 - Laws of 1998) Room 207, LOB

10:00 a.m. Regular Meeting

SEED STERILIZATION OR "TERMINATOR" TECHNOLOGY STUDY (HB 291, Chapter 282, Laws 1999) Room 303, LOB

1:00 p.m. Regular Meeting

**SUBCOMMITTEE OF THE FISCAL COMMITTEE OF THE GENERAL COURT FOR
REQUESTING PROPOSALS OF TAX SIMULATION & FORECASTING MODELS** Room
102, LOB

2:30-4:30 p.m. Regular Meeting

NH DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION Colebrook Town Hall Court Room 10 Bridge
Street Colebrook, NH - Colebrook, 13255 Replacement of 3 Bridges Along 3 sections of NH 26

7:00 p.m. Public Info Meeting

TUESDAY, APRIL 4, 2000

ROUTES 11 AND 140 UPGRADE STUDY (HB 541, Chapter 145, Laws 1999) Belmont Middle
School Cafeteria.

7:00 P.M. Regular Meeting

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 5, 2000

FISCAL COMMITTEE OF THE GENERAL COURT Room 210-211, LOB

9:00a.m. Regular Business

9:30 a.m. Audit:

Sweepstakes Commission Management Letter for the Year Ended June 30, 1999

SENATE FISCAL TASK FORCE COMMITTEE Room 103, SH

3:00 p.m. Regular Meeting

THURSDAY, APRIL 6, 2000

NH DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION Meredith Fire Stn. Conference Room 286 D.W.
Hwy (Rte 3) Meredith, NH - Meredith, 11386 Alterations to US Rt. 3 & Parade Road

7:00 p.m. Public Hearing

FRIDAY, APRIL 7, 2000

ADEQUATE EDUCATION & EDUCATION FINANCING (RSA 198:49,I) Room 210-211, LOB

9:30 a.m. Regular Meeting

CAPITAL BUDGET Room 103, SH

12:00 p.m. Presentation / slide show of USNH Capital Projects all Senators and House
Public Works committee members are invited to attend. Bring your lunch - Coffee
and Dessert will be provided.

MONDAY, APRIL 10, 2000

PERINATAL ALCOHOL TOBACCO AND OTHER DRUG USE TASK FORCE (RSA
132:19) Room 101, LOB

9:00 a.m. Regular Meeting

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 12, 2000

UPDATING NH LAWS RELATED TO FENCES STUDY (HB 1154, Chapter 62, Laws of 1998) Room 301, LOB

1:00 p.m. Regular Meeting

SENATE FISCAL TASK FORCE COMMITTEE Room 103, SH

3:00 p.m. Regular Meeting

THURSDAY, APRIL 13, 2000

SENATE FISCAL TASK FORCE COMMITTEE Nashua - Auditorium

7:30-9:30 p.m. Regular Meeting

FRIDAY, APRIL 14, 2000

ADEQUATE EDUCATION & EDUCATION FINANCING (RSA 198:49,I) Room 210-211, LOB

9:30 a.m. Regular Meeting

MONDAY, APRIL 17, 2000

DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITY WAITLIST FUND ALLOCATION OVERSIGHT (RSA 171- A: 1-B) Room 206, LOB

9:30 a.m. Regular Meeting

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 19, 2000

SENATE FISCAL TASK FORCE COMMITTEE Room 103, SH

3:00 p.m. Regular Meeting

NH DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION Dover City Hall Auditorium 288 Central Avenue Dover, NH - Dover- Rollinsford, 13063 Oak Street intersection with Broadway and Rollins Road in the City of Dover and Town of Rollinsford

7:00 p.m. Public Hearing

FRIDAY, APRIL 21, 2000

JOINT LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE ON ADMINISTRATIVE RULES, Rooms 306-308, LOB

9:00 a.m. Regular Meeting

ADEQUATE EDUCATION & EDUCATION FINANCING (RSA 198:49,I) Room 210-211, LOB

9:30 a.m. Regular Meeting

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 26, 2000

SENATE FISCAL TASK FORCE COMMITTEE Room 103, SH

3:00 p.m. Regular Meeting

NH DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION Stratford Town Hall Route 3 Stratford, NH -
Stratford 13005A U.S. Route 3 near Hollow Road

7:00 p.m. Public Hearing

FRIDAY, APRIL 28, 2000

ADEQUATE EDUCATION & EDUCATION FINANCING (RSA 198:49,I) Room 210-211, LOB

9:30 a.m. Regular Meeting

MONDAY, MAY 1, 2000

NH DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION Wolfeboro Public Library PO Box 710 259 S.
Main Street Wolfeboro, NH - Wolfeboro 12358 NH Route 28/ NH Route 109 (Center St.) Bridge
#112/110 over Smith River

7:00 p.m. Public Hearing

FRIDAY, MAY 5, 2000

WORKERS' COMPENSATION ADVISORY BOARD (RSA 281- A:62) Room 306, LOB

9:00-10:00 a.m. Regular Meeting

MONDAY, MAY 8, 2000

PERINATAL ALCOHOL TOBACCO AND OTHER DRUG USE TASK FORCE (RSA
132:19) Room 101, LOB

9:00 a.m. Regular Meeting

WEDNESDAY, MAY 10, 2000

UPDATING NH LAWS RELATED TO FENCES STUDY (HB 1154, Chapter 62, Laws of
1998) Room 301, LOB

1:00 p.m. Regular Meeting

FRIDAY, MAY 12, 2000

OSTEOPOROSIS ADVISORY COUNCIL (RSA 126-I:3) Room 205, LOB

9:00-11:00 a.m. Regular Meeting

MONDAY, MAY 15, 2000

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

1:00 p.m. Regular Meeting

WELLNESS PREVENTION COUNCIL (RSA 126-M:3) Room 205, LOB

3:00-4:00p.m. Regular Meeting

FRIDAY, MAY 19, 2000

**JOINT LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE ON ADMINISTRATIVE RULES, Rooms 306-308,
LOB**

9:00 a.m. Regular Meeting

FRIDAY, JUNE 9, 2000

OSTEOPOROSIS ADVISORY COUNCIL (RSA 126-I:3) Room 205, LOB

9:00-11:00 a.m. Regular Meeting

MONDAY, JUNE 12, 2000

**PERINATAL ALCOHOL TOBACCO AND OTHER DRUG USE TASK FORCE (RSA
132:19) Room 101, LOB**

9:00 a.m. Regular Meeting

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 14, 2000

**UPDATING NH LAWS RELATED TO FENCES STUDY (HB 1154, Chapter 62, Laws of
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1:00 p.m. Regular Meeting

FRIDAY, JUNE 16, 2000

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9:00 a.m. Regular Meeting

MONDAY, JULY 10, 2000

**PERINATAL ALCOHOL TOBACCO AND OTHER DRUG USE TASK FORCE (RSA
132:19) Room 101, LOB**

9:00 a.m. Regular Meeting

FRIDAY, JULY 21, 2000

**JOINT LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE ON ADMINISTRATIVE RULES, Rooms 306-308,
LOB**

9:00 a.m. Regular Meeting

MONDAY, AUGUST 14, 2000

**PERINATAL ALCOHOL TOBACCO AND OTHER DRUG USE TASK FORCE (RSA
132:19) Room 101, LOB**

9:00 a.m. Regular Meeting

FRIDAY, AUGUST 18, 2000

**JOINT LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE ON ADMINISTRATIVE RULES, Rooms 306-308,
LOB**

9:00 a.m. Regular Meeting

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 11, 2000

**PERINATAL ALCOHOL TOBACCO AND OTHER DRUG USE TASK FORCE (RSA
132:19) Room 101, LOB**

9:00 a.m. Regular Meeting

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 15, 2000

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LOB**

9:00 a.m. Regular Meeting

MONDAY, OCTOBER 16, 2000

**PERINATAL ALCOHOL TOBACCO AND OTHER DRUG USE TASK FORCE (RSA
132:19) Room 101, LOB**

9:00 a.m. Regular Meeting

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 20, 2000

**JOINT LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE ON ADMINISTRATIVE RULES, Rooms 306-308,
LOB**

9:00 a.m. Regular Meeting

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 13, 2000

**PERINATAL ALCOHOL TOBACCO AND OTHER DRUG USE TASK FORCE (RSA
132:19) Room 101, LOB**

9:00 a.m. Regular Meeting

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 17, 2000

**JOINT LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE ON ADMINISTRATIVE RULES, Rooms 306-308,
LOB**

9:00 a.m. Regular Meeting

MONDAY, DECEMBER 11, 2000

**PERINATAL ALCOHOL TOBACCO AND OTHER DRUG USE TASK FORCE (RSA
132:19) Room 101, LOB**

9:00 a.m. Regular Meeting

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 15, 2000

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FISCAL NOTES NOW AVAILABLE IN THE SENATE CLERK'S OFFICE:

**SB 135, SB 176, SB 178, SB 186, SB 219, SB 228, SB 389, SB 390, SB 391, SB 392, SB 395,
SB 401, SB 402, SB 406, SB 410, SB 412, SB 413, SB 414, SB 415, SB 417, SB 421, SB 423,
SB 425, SB 429, SB 434, SB 436, SB 447, SB 449, SB 450, SB 458,**

NOTICES

Applications are available for the New Hampshire Order of Women Legislators Scholarship. Your constituents may pick them up in their college's financial aid office or you may get them from the House Secretarial Services Office on the 4th floor of the LOB. New Hampshire residents who are obtaining transitional education in their field endeavor toward a field of public service are eligible. All pertinent information is included in the scholarship application.

Senator Beverly Hollingworth

The Legislative Tourism Caucus will hold a meeting at the Eagles Nest Restaurant (directly across from State House) from 3:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. Wine and cheese will be served courtesy of the New Hampshire International Speedway, the New Hampshire Travel Council and the New Hampshire Lodging and Restaurant Association.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

TUESDAY, APRIL 11, 2000

“Director’s Report on the Newly-Created “Division” and Advisory Committee on Travel and
Tourism”

Speaker: Laurie Ostrander Klefos, Director, New Hampshire Division of Travel and Tourism Development.

WEDNESDAY, MAY 10, 2000

“Transportation and Tourism”

Speakers: J. Brian O'Neill, Assistant Airport Director, Manchester Airport; Carl Lindblade, Executive Director, Flying Yankee Restoration Group, Inc.

We hope that you will mark your calendar and join us as we explore issues of importance to the state's tourism industry as well as provide an opportunity to network with tourism representatives. These events are designed to be educational, yet informal. Each presentation will be followed by a question /answer period and open discussion of current tourism issues is strongly encouraged. Hope to see you there!

Senate President, Beverly Hollingworth

Senate Republican Leader, Carl Johnson

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 29, 2000

The New Hampshire Hospital Association, New Hampshire Healthcare Association and the New Hampshire Medical Society would like to invite legislators and their staff to attend a Crossover Luncheon on Wednesday, March 29th at the NH Historical Society's Tuck Library, next door to the LOB. Lunch will be available from noon until about 1:00 p.m. Please join us for this event.

Senator Ned Gordon

THURSDAY, MARCH 30, 2000

All Legislators and Legislative Staff are cordially invited to attend the New Hampshire Automobile Dealers Association "Crossover" Legislative Reception to be held on March 30, 2000 immediately following session at NHADA Headquarters, 507 South Street, Bow, NH 03304.

Senator Beverly Hollingworth

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 19, 2000

As provided in (RSA 14-A:4) there will be a health screening for members on Wednesday, April 19 from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. in Rooms 305-308 LOB. Our State House nurses, along with the Department of Health and Human Services have coordinated this event. Oral cancer, diabetes, glaucoma, and hypertension screenings and nutritional counseling will be among the services available to each member. All members are encouraged to attend.

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STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

SUPREME COURT

2000-148, OPINION OF THE JUSTICES

(MUNICIPAL BONDS)

ORDER

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SENATE RESOLUTION 12

Whereas, there is presently pending in the Senate, SB 365-LOCAL, "An Act relative to the adoption of bonds or notes in certain school districts and municipalities"; and

Whereas, there has been proposed to SB 365-LOCAL an amendment (document number 2000-3618s) which would generally reduce the voting majority required to authorize the issuance of bonds or notes in cities, towns, school districts, and village districts from 2/3 to 3/5; and

Whereas, SB 365-LOCAL with the proposed amendment does not provide for a local referendum accepting or declining the reduction in the voting majority; and

Whereas, questions have arisen concerning the constitutionality of SB 365-LOCAL with the proposed amendment; and

Whereas, it is important that the questions of the constitutionality of SB 365-LOCAL with the proposed amendment should be settled in the near future, and in any event before final passage by the Senate; now therefore, be it

Resolved by the Senate:

That the Justices of the Supreme Court be respectfully requested to give their opinion upon the following questions of law:

1. If SB 365-LOCAL with the proposed amendment is enacted, would it in any way violate the provisions of the first sentence of Part I, Article 39 of the New Hampshire Constitution, specifying that no law changing the charter or form of government of a particular city or town shall be enacted by the legislature except to become effective upon the approval of the voters in a local referendum provided for in the law?
2. If SB 365-LOCAL with the proposed amendment is enacted, would it in any way violate the provisions of the second sentence of Part I, Article 39 of the New Hampshire Constitution, specifying that general laws authorizing cities and towns to adopt or amend their charters or forms of government shall become effective only upon the approval of the voters in a local referendum?
3. If under SB 365-LOCAL with the proposed amendment the majority voting requirements would differ between local political subdivisions with and without the optional voting procedures under RSA 40:13, will this result in the infringement of any person's rights under the equal protection, voting, or due process protections of the state or federal constitutions?
4. Do any other aspects of SB 365-LOCAL with the proposed amendment violate or conflict with any provisions of the state constitution?

That the Clerk of the Senate transmit copies of this resolution and copies of SB 365-LOCAL, as amended by document number 2000-3618s, to the justices of the New Hampshire Supreme Court.

Typewritten memoranda on the questions presented by the request may be furnished by any legislator, attorney, organization, interested party, or member of the public on or before

April 17, 2000. An original and twelve copies of any memorandum must be filed with the Clerk's office.

Date: March 17, 2000

Attest: **HOWARD J. ZIBEL, CLERK**

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VISITORS' CENTER SCHEDULE – MARCH

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 March 2000. These listings will replace individual notifications in an effort to reduce paper usage and to ensure all members will be notified in a timely manner. Please contact the Visitors' Center for further information. Thank you for your continued participation with your School Visitation Program.

Kenneth Leidner, Director

DATE	TIME	GROUP	CLASS/Size
March 28	10:00&11:30	Hampstead Central	4/75
March 29	10:00&11:30	Hampstead Central	4/75
March 30	9:30 & 11:00	East Rochester Elem.	4/60
March 31	9:45	Maplewood Elem, Somersworth	3/50
March 31	11:00&12:30	Mastway Elem, Lee	4/50

