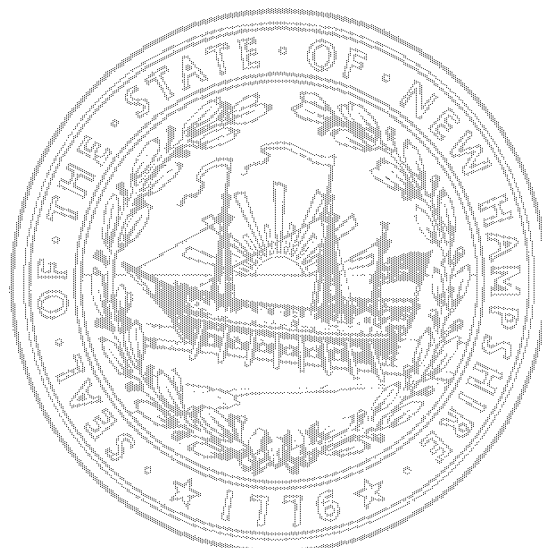


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STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE



Legislative

SENATE CALENDAR **VETO MESSAGE, MEETINGS & NOTICES**

VETO MESSAGE

July 12, 2001

To the Honorable Members of the General Court:

By the authority vested in me as Governor of New Hampshire, pursuant to Part II, Article 44 of the Constitution of New Hampshire, I have this day vetoed Senate Bill 164, an Act establishing a comprehensive statewide accountability system concerning an adequate education.

I have long supported strong school accountability legislation. Making schools accountable for their performance is critical to improving the education we provide our children.

Senate Bill 164 is advertised as a school accountability bill. Yet, it contains no provisions whatsoever to hold school districts accountable for their performance. As President George W. Bush has emphasized so strongly in his national educational reform proposal, "without consequences for failure, there is no pressure to succeed." To call S.B. 164, in the form in which it left the legislative committee of conference and has arrived on my desk, an "accountability" bill is disingenuous. I cannot support legislation which is more symbolic than substantive on an issue as critically important as school accountability.

Several have said to me in the last few days that S.B. 164 "is better than nothing." I disagree strongly. S.B. 164 imposes many new duties on the Department of Education, but fails to provide the Department with sufficient funding to successfully carry out those additional responsibilities. When this bill first passed the Senate on May 9, 2001, it appropriated more than double the funding it now contains. Unfortunately, the very people in the legislature who have loudly fought meaningful school accountability measures for the last four years are the same people who in conference committee removed the modest accountability provisions from the Senate version of S.B. 164 and slashed the resources the Department of Education would need to succeed.

As amended by the House, this legislation seeks to make teachers more accountable by making it easier to terminate teachers in about half of the school districts in this state. While I support streamlining the process for removing non-performing teachers, it makes little sense to make teachers more accountable without making school districts more accountable.

I am also concerned by the expansion of duties assigned to the so-called legislative oversight committee. This is another example of the disturbing trend of the legislative branch to interject itself into the day-to-day operations of the executive branch.

I am disappointed that Senate Bill 164 has arrived at my desk in this form, leaving me with no choice but to veto it.

Respectfully submitted,

Jeanne Shaheen
Governor

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SB 60, relative to the authority of the board of tax and land appeals to assess attorney's fees.

SB 90, relative to misdemeanor jury trials.

SB 96-FN, repealing the requirements for resident and nonresident licenses to carry concealed weapons.

SB 97-FN, requiring the annual registration of manufactured housing parks.

SB 116-FN, relative to motor vehicle offenses which result in the death or serious bodily injury of another.

SB 180-FN-A, establishing the Hooksett district court as a full-time court and making an appropriation therefor.

SB 185, relative to push-polling.

SB 195-FN, permitting the department of regional community-technical colleges to lease building space from the Pease development authority in exchange for a reduction in Pease development authority's debt owed to the state.

HB 101, (New Title) requiring registered lobbyists to sign a statement concerning false statements or misrepresentation of material facts.

HB 130, relative to the maintenance of boundaries and fences.

HB 153, lowering the minimum medical cost coverage for motor vehicle liability policies.

HB 196-L, (New Title) relative to the penalty for failure to license a dog or renew a dog license.

HB 211-FN, establishing a restricted probationary permit to drive and correcting the ignition interlock program laws.

HB 304-FN, relative to insurance coverage for prostate cancer testing.

HB 614, relative to certain duties, responsibilities, and authority of the fiscal committee.

HB 697, extending the reporting date for the healthy kids subcommittee and clarifying the mission statement of the healthy kids corporation.

HB 748-FN-A-L, (2nd New Title) revising the definition of an adequate education and revising the weighted pupil formula used to calculate the cost of an adequate education.

MEETINGS

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 26, 2001

PRIVACY TASK FORCE (HB 702, CHAPTER 256:7, Laws of 2001) Rooms 210-211, LOB

9:00 a.m. Regular Meeting

COMMISSION ON APPELLATE SYSTEM REFORM (HB 135, Chapter 159:2, Laws of 2001)
Room 201, LOB

10:00 a.m. Regular Meeting

PUBLIC HIGHER EDUCATION STUDY COMMITTEE (RSA 187-A:28-a) Collage for
Lifelong Learning, Bow, NH

10:00 a.m. Regular Meeting

MONDAY, OCTOBER 29, 2001

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

9:00 a.m. Regular Meeting

CHARITABLE BINGO OPERATIONS (SB 131, Chapter 100:1, Laws of 2001) Room 102, LOB

10:00 a.m. Regular Meeting

● **PLEASE NOTE THE FOLLOWING MEETING HAS BEEN CANCELLED AND RESCHEDULED FOR OCTOBER 30TH**

PUBLIC HEALTH AND ENVIRONMENT RELATIONSHIP (HB 1390, Chapter 114, Laws of 2000) Room 205, LOB

Cancelled. Regular Meeting

● **PLEASE NOTE THE FOLLOWING MEETING HAS BEEN RESCHEDULED FROM OCTOBER 30TH**

NEW BUDGET SYSTEM DEVELOPMENT (HB 170, Chapter 158:39, Laws of 2001) Room 301, LOB

1:00 p.m. Presentation Meeting

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 30, 2001

COMMISSION ON EDUCATION OF DEAF AND HARD OF HEARING PERSONS IN NEW HAMPSHIRE (HB 1283, Chapter 43:1, Laws of 2000) Room 205, LOB

9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. Regular Meeting

CAPITAL BUDGET OVERVIEW COMMITTEE Room 201, LOB

9:30 a.m. Regular Meeting

ASSESSING STANDARDS BOARD (RSA 21-J:14-a) Room 301, LOB

10:00 a.m. Regular Meeting

ENCRYPTION OF CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION (HB 142, Chapter 31:1, Laws of 2001) Room 302, LOB

10:00 a.m. Regular Meeting

PRESCRIPTION DRUG ACCESS STUDY COMMITTEE (SB 367, Chapter 208:2, Laws of 2000, Extended by SB 37, Chapter 51, Laws of 2001) Room 103, SH

10:00 a.m. Regular Meeting

● **PLEASE NOTE THE FOLLOWING MEETING HAS BEEN RESCHEDULED FROM OCTOBER 29TH ALSO THIS MEETING HAS A ROOM CHANGE**

PUBLIC HEALTH AND ENVIRONMENT RELATIONSHIP (HB 1390, Chapter 114, Laws of 2000) Rooms 206 - 208, LOB

10:00 a.m. Regular Meeting

● **PLEASE NOTE THE FOLLOWING MEETING HAS A ROOM CHANGE**

STATE OPERATED TRAILS USED BY ALL TERRAIN VEHICLES (HB 717, Chapter 259:2, Laws of 2001) Rooms 306-308, LOB

10:00 a.m. Regular Meeting

TELECOMMUNICATIONS OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE (RSA 374:22-h) Room 304, LOB

10:00 a.m. Regular Meeting

CREATION OF AT-HOME INFANT CHILD CARE PROGRAM (HB 405, Chapter 240:1, Laws of 2001) Room 307, LOB

11:00 a.m. Regular Meeting

PRIVATE INDIVIDUALS, INFORMATION OBTAINED, MAINTAINED AND EMPLOYED BY DIVISION OF CHILDREN, YOUTH AND FAMILIES (SB 123, Chapter 99:1, Laws of 2001) Room 101, LOB

11:00 a.m. Regular Meeting

● PLEASE NOTE THE FOLLOWING MEETING HAS BEEN CANCELLED AND RESCHEDULED FOR OCTOBER 29TH

NEW BUDGET SYSTEM DEVELOPMENT (HB 170, Chapter 158:39, Laws of 2001) Room 102, LOB

Cancelled Presentation Meeting

UNIVERSAL DISTRIBUTION OF VACCINES TO CHILDREN, STABLE FUNDING SOURCES (HB 532, Chapter 94:2, Laws of 2001) Room 205, LOB

1:00 p.m. Regular Meeting

JUSTICE FOR LOW-INCOME CITIZENS, METHODS OF REDUCING COST (HB 121, Chapter 20:1, Laws of 2001) Room 208, LOB

2:30 p.m. Regular Meeting

STATUS OF VETERANS IN NH (HB 397, Chapter 27, Laws of 2001) Rooms 306-308, LOB

6:00 p.m. Regular Meeting

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 31, 2001

STATE HOUSE OPEN TO THE PUBLIC ON WEEKENDS (HB 163, Chapter 8:1, Laws of 2001) Room 307, LOB

9:00 a.m. Regular Meeting

HOSPITAL BUSINESS PRACTICES AND MANAGED CARE ORGANIZATIONS NETWORKS (HB 112 Chapter 104:1 Laws of 2001) Room 302, LOB

10:00 a.m. Regular Meeting

TASK FORCE ON RE-ESTABLISHING THE LAWRENCE, MA TO MANCHESTER NH AND THE CONCORD TO LEBANON RAIL SERVICE (HB 258, Chapter 271:1, Laws of 2001) Room 203, LOB

10:00 a.m. Organizational Meeting

PERSONS LICENSED UNDER THE REAL ESTATE PRACTICE ACT, REGULATION AND COMPENSATION (SB 71, Chapter 65:1, Laws of 2001) Room 104, LOB

1:00 p.m. Regular Meeting

RECODIFICATION OF LAWS RELATING TO THE JOINT COMMITTEE ON LEGISLATIVE FACILITIES (RSA17-E:2) AND THE APPLICATION OF THE RIGHT-TO-KNOW-LAW (HB 574, Chapter 61:2, Laws of 2001) Room 100, SH

1:00 p.m. Regular Meeting

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 2, 2001

COMMISSION ON APPELLATE SYSTEM REFORM (HB 135, Chapter 159:2, Laws of 2001) Room 201, LOB

10:00 a.m. Regular Meeting

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 5, 2001

OSTEOPOROSIS ADVISORY COUNCIL (RSA 126-I:3) Room 102, LOB

9:30 a.m. - 11:00 a.m. Subcommittee Work Session

● **PLEASE NOTE THE FOLLOWING MEETING HAS BEEN RESCHEDULED FROM NOVEMBER 12TH**

CERTIFICATE OF NEED STATUTE TASK FORCE (RSA 151-C:16) Room 307, LOB

10:00 a.m. Regular Meeting

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 6, 2001

HOSPITAL BUSINESS PRACTICES AND MANAGED CARE ORGANIZATIONS

NETWORKS (HB 112, Chapter 104:1, Laws of 2001) Room 302, LOB

10:00 a.m. Regular Meeting

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 7, 2001

COMMISSION ON THE STATUS OF COMMUNITY - TECHNICAL EDUCATION (SB 503, Chapter 272:35, Laws of 1998, Extended by SB 15, Chapter 43, Laws of 2001) Community Technical College, Pease Campus

10:00 a.m. Regular Meeting

IMPACT OF PAY & BENEFITS FOR CHILD CARE WORKERS ON QUALITY OF CARE FOR CHILDREN (HB 451, Chapter 244, Laws of 2001) Joint Meeting With COMMISSION TO EXAMINE CHILD CARE RESOURCES FOR PARENTS WHO WORK OTHER THAN FIRST SHIFT (HB 260, Chapter 273:2, Laws of 2001) Room 206, LOB

10:00 a.m. Regular Meeting

LONG RANGE CAPITAL PLANNING AND UTILIZATION COMMITTEE Room 201, LOB

1:30 p.m. Regular Meeting

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 8, 2001

HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE (RSA 126-A:13) Room 102, LOB

1:30 p.m. Regular Meeting

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 9, 2001

WORKER'S COMPENSATION ADVISORY COUNCIL (RSA 281-A:24) Room 306, LOB

9:00 a.m. Regular Meeting

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 12, 2001

● **PLEASE NOTE THE FOLLOWING MEETING HAS BEEN CANCELLED AND RESCHEDULED FOR NOVEMBER 5TH**

CERTIFICATE OF NEED STATUTE TASK FORCE (RSA 151-C:16) Room 203, LOB

Cancelled Regular Meeting

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 13, 2001

ASSESSING STANDARDS BOARD (RSA 21-J:14-a) Room 301, LOB

10:00 a.m. Regular Meeting

LEGISLATIVE PERFORMANCE AUDIT AND OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE Room 103, SH

10:00 a.m. Regular Meeting
HOSPITAL BUSINESS PRACTICES AND MANAGED CARE ORGANIZATIONS NETWORKS (HB 112, Chapter 104:1, Laws of 2001) Room 302, LOB

1:00 p.m. Regular Meeting
GUARDIANS AD LITEM BOARD Room 103, LOB

2:00 p.m. Regular Meeting

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 14, 2001

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

9:00 a.m. Regular Business

9:30 a.m. Audit: State of New Hampshire

Department of Safety

Division of Fire Safety

Performance Audit

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PET OVERPOPULATION COMMITTEE (RSA 437-A:7) Room 103, SH

10:00 a.m. Regular Meeting

SENATE WILDLIFE & RECREATION COMMITTEE (SB 146, relative to personal watercraft) Room 101, LOB

10:00 a.m. Executive Session

HOUSE WAYS AND MEANS COMMITTEE HAS INVITED THE SENATE WAYS AND MEANS COMMITTEE TO ATTEND A PRESENTATION BY ROSS GITTELL ON ECONOMIC FORECAST Room 202, LOB

10:00 a.m. Presentation Meeting

WATER WITHDRAWALS ON INSTREAM FLOWS (SB 330, Chapter 242:1, Laws of 2000, Extended by HB 612, Chapter 138, Laws of 2001) Room 305, LOB

1:00 p.m. Regular Meeting

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 15, 2001

HOUSE WAYS AND MEANS COMMITTEE HAS INVITED THE SENATE WAYS & MEANS COMMITTEE TO ATTEND A PRESENTATION BY RUSSELL THIBEAULT ON ECONOMIC FORECASTS Room 202, LOB

10:00 a.m. Presentation Meeting

CONSUMER PROTECTION EFFORT IN NEW HAMPSHIRE (HB 109, Chapter 12:1, Laws of 2001) Room 302, LOB

10:00 a.m. Regular Meeting

NH CIVIL WAR MEMORIALS COMMISSION (RSA 21-K:18) Room 203, LOB

2:00 p.m. Regular Meeting

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 16, 2001

JOINT LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE ON ADMINISTRATIVE RULES (RSA 541-A: 2) Rooms 306-308, LOB

9:00 a.m. Regular Meeting

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

9:00 a.m. Regular Meeting

TASK FORCE TO STUDY PRIVACY ISSUES AS THEY PERTAIN TO FEDERAL LAW
(HB 702, Chapter 256:8, Laws of 2001) Rooms 210 - 211, LOB

9:00 a.m. Regular Meeting

**GOVERNOR'S COMMISSION ON ALCOHOL AND DRUG ABUSE PREVENTION,
INTERVENTION, AND TREATMENT** (RSA 12-J:1) Rooms 202-204, LOB

9:30 a.m. Regular Meeting

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 19, 2001

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

9:30 a.m. Regular Meeting

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 20, 2001

ASSESSING STANDARDS BOARD (RSA 21-J:14-a) Room 301, LOB

10:00 a.m. Certification Subcommittee Meeting

ASSESSING STANDARDS BOARD (RSA 21-J:14-a) Room 307, LOB

10:00 a.m. Procedural Manual Subcommittee Meeting

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 26, 2001

NEW HAMPSHIRE COLLEGE TUITION SAVINGS PLAN ADVISORY COMMISSION
(RSA 195-H:2) Room 103, SH

10:00 a.m. Regular Meeting

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 27, 2001

ASSESSING STANDARDS BOARD (RSA 21-J:14-a) Room 301, LOB

10:00 a.m. Regular Meeting

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 4, 2001

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

9:00 a.m. Regular Meeting

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 7, 2001

OSTEOPOROSIS ADVISORY COUNCIL (RSA 126-I:3) Room 102, LOB

9:30 a.m. - 11:00 a.m. Subcommittee Work Session

MONDAY, DECEMBER 10, 2001

CERTIFICATE OF NEED STATUTE TASK FORCE (RSA 151-C:16) Room 203, LOB

10:00 a.m. Regular Meeting

MONDAY, DECEMBER 17, 2001

INTERBRANCH CRIMINAL AND JUVENILE JUSTICE COMMISSION Room 101, LOB

10:00 a.m. Steering Committee Regular Meeting

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 18, 2001

**ARCHITECTURALLY SECURE FACILITIES AND COMMUNITY SHELTER CARE
FACILITIES FOR JUVENILES, NEED AND LOCATION (SB 55, Chapter 97:2, Laws of
2001) Room 201, LOB**

9:00 a.m. Regular Meeting

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 21, 2001

**JOINT LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE ON ADMINISTRATIVE RULES (RSA 541-A:2)
Rooms 306-308, LOB**

9:00 a.m. Regular Meeting

NOTICES

State House Complex
Flu Vaccine Clinic

sponsored by the
Concord Regional
Visiting Nurse Association

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 14, 2001

9:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.. Room 102, LOB

Once again, it's time to think about protecting yourself from the flu. Our clinic will not be open to the general public, but is certainly intended for the convenience of everyone in the State House Complex. Adult family members are welcome, but children should receive the vaccine from their own healthcare provider if warranted. Members and staff who have healthcare coverage from CIGNA or Medicare need only bring their membership card and the VNA will bill those companies directly. The cost is \$10 per person for all others, payable at the time of immunization, and may be reimbursable to the client from other insurance companies. Most health insurance providers have a process and form for that purpose.

Anyone who wishes to decrease the risk of developing influenza is encouraged to receive the flu vaccine. Persons at high risk for developing complications from influenza and are considered high priority for immunization would include. (Those over 65, people with diabetes, or suppressed immune systems; chronic heart, lung and kidney disease, severe anemia or Residents of nursing homes.

Household contacts of the above persons are also considered high priority. Those 50-64 who are not at high risk, but wish to decrease the chances of developing influenza, and younger adults in good health who regularly obtain the flu vaccine are encouraged to attend.

For more information about the clinic please contact Health Services at Ext. 2757, or come by our office in the basement of the State House, Rm. 30, just inside the Park Street entrance. Questions specific to the vaccine can be answered by the VNA at 224-4093, or your healthcare provider.

Senator Arthur P. Klemm, Jr.
Barbara Leahy, RN
Margaret Lind, RN

VISITORS CENTER SCHEDULE - OCTOBER

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 **October 2001**. 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. Our schedule is tightly booked for the remainder of the school year. Please contact the Visitors' Center concerning school tour booking information. Thank you for your continued participation with your School Visitation Program.

Kenneth Leidner, Director

DATE	TIME	GROUP	CLASS/Size
Oct. 26	9:30 & 11:00	Southwick School-Northfield	4/60
Oct 29	10:30	St. Patrick's School-Jaffrey	4/20
Oct. 30	11:00 & 12:30	Windham Center School	4/75
Oct. 31	11:00 & 12:30	Sandown Central School	4/100

VISITORS CENTER SCHEDULE -NOVEMBER

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DATE	TIME	GROUP	CLASS/Size
Nov. 1	11:00	Jennie Blake Elementary- Hill	4/30
Nov. 2	9:30 & 11:00	Reed's Ferry School - Merrimack	4/56
Nov. 5	9:30 & 11:00	Reed's Ferry School - Merrimack	4/56
Nov. 6	11:00	CornerStone Christian Academy- Epsom	4/10
Nov. 7	9:45 & 11:15	Mastricola Elementary - Merrimack	4/75
Nov. 8	9:45 & 11:15	Mastricola Elementary - Merrimack	4/50
Nov. 9	9:30 & 11:00	Lincoln St. Elementary - Exeter	4/60
Nov. 9	10:30	Irish Trade Group	
Nov. 13	10:00	Alstead Primary School	4/20
Nov. 13	11:00	Stark Village School	4/16
Nov. 14	9:30 & 11:30	Kearsage Middle School- New London	7/75
Nov. 15	10:00	Faith Christian Academy- Bedford	4/10
Nov. 15	10:00	Nashua Christian Academy	4/14
Nov. 15	11:00	Goshen Lempster Cooperative School	4/12
Nov. 16	9:30 & 11:00	Lincoln St. Elementary - Exeter	4/60

Nov. 16	10:00 & 11:15	New Durham Elementary	4/40
Nov. 19	9:30 & 11:00	Riddle Brook Elementary - Bedford	4/75
Nov. 20	9:30 & 11:00	Riddle Brook Elementary - Bedford	4/50
Nov. 21	9:30 & 11:00	Danville Elementary	4/64
Nov. 26	9:30 & 11:00	Wilkins Elementary - Amherst	4/50
Nov. 27	9:30 & 11:00	Wilkins Elementary - Amherst	4/50
Nov. 28	9:30 & 11:00	Kearsage Regional - New London	4/82
Nov. 28	2:00	Rivermead Retirement Community- Peterborough	13
Nov. 29	9:30	Villa Augustine School - Goffstown	4/41
Nov. 29	10:00	Bluff Elementary - Claremont	4/45
Nov. 30	9:30 & 11:00	Wilkins Elementary- Amherst	4/50