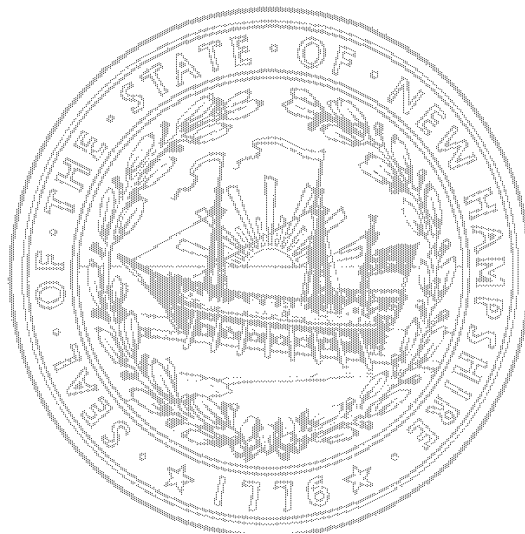


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SENATE CALENDAR

MEETINGS AND NOTICES

**THE SENATE WILL MEET IN SESSION FOR ORGANIZATION DAY ON
WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 3, 2008 AT 10:00 A.M.**

NOTICE

Article 33, Part II of the New Hampshire Constitution requires the Secretary of State to summon each person who is chosen as a state senator to attend the opening session of the General Court. Thus, in accordance with the examination of the votes cast at the biennial election held November 4, 2008, you are hereby summoned to attend and take your seat as a state senator of the General Court on Wednesday, December 3, 2008 at 10:00 a.m. in the Senate Chamber in the State House.

Respectfully,

William M. Gardner, Secretary of State

PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO SENATE RULE 29

Amendment to Senate Rule 29

The new language is bold, italicized, and underlined

Amend Senate Rule 29 by replacing with the following:

29. The standing committees of the Senate shall be as follows: the Committee on Capital Budget, the Committee on Commerce, Labor and Consumer Protection, the Committee on Education, the Committee on Election Law and **Veterans'** Affairs, the Committee on Energy, Environment and Economic Development, the Committee on Executive Departments and Administration, the Committee on Finance, the Committee on Health and Human Services, the Committee on Judiciary, the Committee on Public and Municipal Affairs, the Committee on Rules and Enrolled Bills, the Committee on Transportation and Interstate Cooperation, the Committee on Ways and Means and the Committee on Wildlife, Fish and Game and Agriculture.

PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO SENATE RULE 48

Amendment to Senate Rule 48

Amend Senate Rule 48 by replacing with the following:

48. Deadlines:

(a) Friday, December 05, 2008, 4:00 p.m. - Last day for the Office of Legislative Services to accept drafting of a Senate Bill or Resolution with complete information for the 2009 Session.

(b) Monday, January 12, 2009, at 4:00 p.m. - Last day to sign-off legislation for the above filing period.

(c) Friday, January 16, 2009, at 4:00 p.m. - Last day to sign-off legislation for a Senate Bill recommended by a Study Committee or Commission created by a Senate Bill.

(d) Monday, February 23, 2009 - Friday, February 27, 2009: SENATE BREAK.

(e) Thursday, March 05, 2009 - Deadline for Policy Committees to ACT on all Senate money bills, except bills exempted pursuant to Senate Rule 26(b).

(f) Wednesday, March 25, 2009 - CROSSOVER - Last day to ACT on all remaining Senate Bills.

(g) Thursday, May 07, 2009 - Deadline for Policy Committees to ACT on all House money bills, except bills exempted pursuant to Senate Rule 26(b).

(h) Wednesday, May 27, 2009 - Last Day to ACT on all remaining House bills.

(i) Wednesday, June 10, 2009 - Last day to FORM Committees of Conference.

(j) Thursday, June 18, 2009 at 12:00 p.m. - Last day to SIGN Committee of Conference Reports.

(k) Wednesday, June 24, 2009 - Last day to ACT on Committee of Conference Reports.

MEETINGS

MONDAY, DECEMBER 1, 2008

COMMISSION TO STUDY THE CAUSES, EFFECTS, AND REMEDIATION OF SILTATION IN THE GREAT BAY ESTUARY (HB 216, Chapter 31:1, Laws of 2007)

9:00 a.m.	NH Department of Environmental Services Pease International Tradeport 50 International Drive Newington/Portsmouth, NH	Regular Meeting
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COMMISSION TO STUDY ISSUES RELATING TO STORMWATER (HB 1295, Chapter 71:1, Laws of 2008)

1:00 p.m.	Room 305, LOB	Regular Meeting
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COMMISSION TO STUDY THE CREATION OF AN ANIMAL CARE WORKER CLASSIFICATION (SB 318, Chapter 194:1, Laws of 2008)

1:00 p.m.	Room 103, SH	Final Meeting
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COMMISSION TO STUDY THE STATE HIGHWAY TRUST FUND (HB 103, Chapter 207:1, Laws of 2007)

1:30 p.m. Room 201, LOB Final Meeting
TASK FORCE TO DEVELOP LEGISLATION FOR EXPANDING ACCESS TO AFFORDABLE HEALTH INSURANCE FOR THE 2008 AND 2009 LEGISLATIVE SESSION (HB 305, Chapter 248:1, Laws of 2007)

2:00 p.m. Room 302, LOB Final Meeting
COMMISSION TO STUDY THE PREVENTION OF CHILDHOOD OBESITY (HB 1422, Chapter 219:1, Laws of 2008)

3:15 p.m. Room 205, LOB Regular Meeting

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 3, 2008

ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION OF CHILDREN/STUDENTS WITH DISABILITIES (RSA 186-C:3-b)

4:15 p.m. NH Department of Education Regular Meeting
 Londergan Hall, Room 15
 101 Pleasant Street
 Concord, NH

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 4, 2008

JOINT LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE ON ADMINISTRATIVE RULES (RSA 541-A:2)

Cancelled Rooms 306-308, LOB Continued Meeting
COMMISSION TO DEVELOP ALTERNATIVES TO THE DISPOSAL OF MEDICAL SHARPS IN HOUSEHOLD WASTE (HB 1502, Chapter 259:2, Laws of 2008)

10:00 a.m. Room 103, SH Regular Meeting

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 5, 2008

COMMISSION TO STUDY EMPLOYMENT ISSUES AFFECTING VETERANS (SB 237, Chapter 316:2, Laws of 2007)

9:00 a.m. Room 100, SH Regular Meeting

MONDAY, DECEMBER 8, 2008

CITIZENS TRADE POLICY COMMISSION (RSA 19-L:1)

9:00 a.m. Room 307, LOB Regular Meeting

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 10, 2008

COMMISSION TO PROPOSE A RETIREE HEALTH CARE BENEFITS FUNDING MODEL (HB 1645, Chapter 300:13, Laws of 2008)

10:00 a.m. Rooms 306-308, LOB Regular Meeting

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 11, 2008

COMMISSION TO STUDY INCENTIVES FOR PROVIDERS OF HOME AND COMMUNITY-BASED CARE (SB 496, Chapter 226:2, Laws of 2008)

10:00 a.m. Room 103, SH Regular Meeting

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 12, 2008

GUARDIAN AD LITEM BOARD (RSA 490-C:1)

1:00 p.m. Room 102, LOB Regular Meeting

MONDAY, DECEMBER 15, 2008

INTERAGENCY COORDINATING COUNCIL FOR WOMEN OFFENDERS (RSA 21-H:14-c)

9:00 a.m. Room 103, SH Regular Meeting

COMMISSION TO STUDY ISSUES RELATIVE TO GROUNDWATER WITHDRAWALS (SB 155, Chapter 305:1, Laws of 2003)

10:00 a.m. Room 100, SH Regular Meeting

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 18, 2008

JOINT LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE ON ADMINISTRATIVE RULES (RSA 541-A:2)

9:00 a.m. Rooms 306-308, LOB Regular Meeting

JOINT LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE ON ELDERLY AFFAIRS (RSA 17-H:2)

10:00 a.m. Brown Building Auditorium Regular Meeting
129 Pleasant Street
Concord, NH

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 19, 2008

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

9:30 a.m. Rooms 305-307, LOB Regular Meeting

MONDAY, DECEMBER 22, 2008

INTERAGENCY COORDINATING COUNCIL FOR WOMEN OFFENDERS (RSA 21-H:14-c)

Cancelled Room 100, SH Regular Meeting

NOTICES

Open enrollment for Senators to purchase or make changes to medical and/or dental insurance through the State health care program will be held from 12/01/08 to 12/31/08 with an effective date of 01/01/09. Those Senators who are already enrolled in the program, but wish to make changes should do so during open enrollment. Information and enrollment forms are available through Joyce Phinney or Mary Vinson, State House Room 113, or call 271-5685.

Sylvia B. Larsen, Senate President

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 24, 2008

Legislative Filing Period

As a reminder, the filing period for Legislative Service Requests for the 2009 Senate Session began on Wednesday, September 24, 2008.

Sylvia B. Larsen, Senate President

MONDAY, DECEMBER 1, 2008

Pursuant to RSA 326-D:10, IV, the Joint Health Council will meet at the NH Board of Nursing Office located at the Walker Building, 21 South Fruit Street, Concord, NH, on Monday, December 1, 2008 at 6:00 p.m.

Senator Iris W. Estabrook

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 3, 2008

Sheehan Phinney Capitol Group will be hosting the annual "Welcome Back" Reception for all House and Senate members and staff on Organizational Day, Wednesday, December 3, 2008 at the Concord Grille, following the close of Session (or at 3:00 p.m. should Session end early).

Sylvia B. Larsen, Senate President

Senator Theodore L. Gatsas

MONDAY, DECEMBER 8, 2008

The Children's Alliance of New Hampshire, in partnership with the NH Child Advocacy Network (NHCAN), will convene a Children's Summit December 8 to examine ways the New Hampshire state budget can support children and families in the state, even in this time of economic struggle. Participants will hear from guest speakers knowledgeable in state budgeting and children's issues, plus determine the 2009 NH Priorities for Children. The Summit will be 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. at the Holiday Inn, Concord. For more information and to register, visit ChildrenNH.org or call 225-2264.

Senator Kathleen Sgambati

MONDAY, DECEMBER 8, 2008

President Sara Jayne Steen invites members from Grafton, Carroll and Coos Counties to join her for a brunch and presentation on Monday, December 8, 2008 from 10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. at Samuel Reed Residence Hall, Plymouth State University.

Senator Deborah R. Reynolds

All legislators are invited to attend one in a series of manufacturing plant tours hosted by the Business & Industry Association and the NH Department of Resources and Economic Development. These events are designed to familiarize legislators with the important role that manufacturing plays in the New Hampshire economy. Legislators will have the opportunity to discuss economic issues with some of our state's top employers and receive current information on the state and national economy from recognized economists.

Monday, December 8: **Goss International**, 121 Technology Drive, **Durham**, 9:00 a.m. - Noon
Tuesday, December 9: **Hitchiner Manufacturing Co.**, 24 Beacon St., **Littleton**, 1:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Wednesday, December 10: **Elektrisola, Inc.**, 126 High St., **Boscawen**, 8:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.
Thursday, December 11: **Hendrix Wire & Cable**, 53 Old Wilton Rd., **Milford**, 9:00 a.m. - Noon
Thursday, December 11: **Sturm, Ruger & Co.**, 411 Sunapee St., **Newport**, 1:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.
Friday, December 12: **NH Ball Bearings**, 175 Jaffrey Rd, **Peterborough**, 8:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.
Monday, December 15: **Amphenol TCS**, 200 Innovative Way, Suite 201, **Nashua**, 8:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.

There is no cost to attend these informational meetings, but advance registration is requested and may be made by calling the BIA at (603) 224-5388, ext 113 or online at www.acteva.com/go/nhbia
Senator Michael W. Downing

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 11, 2008

On Thursday, December 11th 2008, NH Public Health Association hosts the fourth annual "Public Health and the Granite State: A Non-Partisan Overview for Policymakers." This session is ideal for newly elected legislators and those who would like to review public health concepts and the role of policy in public health. This popular hour-long session will be held at St. Paul's Church, 21 Centre Street, Concord. Registration and lunch at 11:45 a.m. For more information and to register, call 228-2983 or info@nhpha.org A follow-up session, "NH's Public Health Priorities," will be held on January 15, 2009.

Senator Kathleen G. Sgambati

SENATE SCHEDULE

Wednesday, September 24, 2008	Filing Period for the 2009 Senate Session Starts
Thursday, November 27, 2008	Thanksgiving Day (State Holiday)
Friday, November 28, 2008	Day after Thanksgiving (State Holiday)
Wednesday, December 3, 2008	Organization Day
Thursday, December 25, 2008	Christmas Day (State Holiday)
Thursday, January 1, 2009	New Year's Day (State Holiday)
Wednesday, January 7, 2009	Convening Day
Thursday, January 8, 2009	Inauguration Day
Monday, January 19, 2009	Martin Luther King Jr./Civil Rights Day (State Holiday)

VISITORS CENTER SCHEDULE - DECEMBER

State House Visitation Schedule 2008

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 December 2008. These listings are to ensure all members be notified in a timely manner of visitors from their district. Our schedule is tightly booked for the remainder of the school year and subject to changes. **Please contact the Visitors' Center concerning school tour booking information.** Legislators planning to meet with students should notify the Visitors' Center. Thank you for your continued participation with your School Visitation Program.

Virginia J. Drew, Director

Caitlin A. Daniuk, Public Information Administrator

Dec. 2	10:00/11:30 SH/HM	Grinnell School – Derry	82/4
Dec. 4	9:30/11:00 SH/HM	Weston Elementary School – Manchester	108/4
Dec. 5	10:00/11:15 SH/SC	Bicentennial Elementary School – Nashua	75/4
Dec. 8	10:00/11:30 SH/HM	Barka Elementary School – Derry	72/4
Dec. 9	10:00	Barka Elementary School – Derry	50/4
Dec. 9	11:30	Marlborough Elementary School	17/4
Dec. 10	10:00/11:30	Hills Garrison School – Hudson	100/4
Dec. 11	10:00/11:30 SH/HM	Swasey Central School – Brentwood	53/4
Dec. 12	11:30	Sanbornton Central School	45/4
Dec. 12	1:30	Rochester Home School High School	18/HS
Dec. 16	10:00/11:15 SH/HM	Derry Village School	80/4
Dec. 17	10:00	Dondero School – Portsmouth	46/4
Dec. 18	10:00/11:30 SH/HM	East Derry Memorial School	86/4
Dec. 19	11:30	New Durham School	29/4