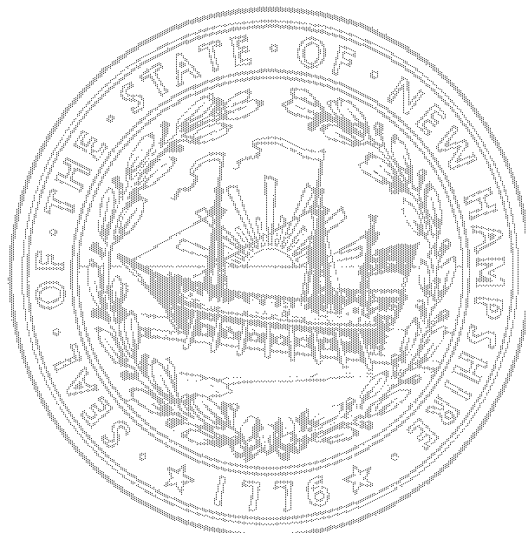


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SENATE CALENDAR

MEETINGS AND NOTICES

MEETINGS

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

STATE PARK SYSTEM ADVISORY COUNCIL (RSA 216-A:3-k)

12:30 p.m. NH Charitable Foundation Regular Meeting
37 Pleasant Street
Concord, NH

EQUALIZATION STANDARDS BOARD (RSA 21-J:14-c)

1:00 p.m. Local Government Center Regular Meeting
25 Triangle Park Drive
Concord, NH

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

COMMISSION TO STUDY THE FEASIBILITY OF AUTHORIZING AND THE DEPLETION SCHEDULES FOR, FUTURE COLAS TO BE ISSUED AT DIFFERENT RATES TO OR WITHIN EACH SUBGROUP WITHIN THE SPECIAL ACCOUNT (HB 1645, Chapter 300:21, Laws of 2008)

1:00 p.m. Rooms 301-303, LOB Regular Meeting

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 12, 2008

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

11:00 a.m. Room 103, SH Non-public session of the Complaint
Review Committee

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)

Cancelled Room 100, SH Regular Meeting
ELECTRONIC BALLOT COUNTING DEVICE ADVISORY COMMITTEE (HB 285, Chapter 134:1, Laws of 2008)

1:00 p.m. HAVA Conference Room Regular Meeting
Archives and Record Management Building
71 South Fruit Street
Concord, NH

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 16, 2008

FISCAL COMMITTEE OF THE GENERAL COURT (RSA 14:30-a)

9:00 a.m. Rooms 210-211, LOB Organizational Meeting and Regular Business

STATE RETIREE HEALTH PLAN COMMISSION (RSA 100-A:56)

10:00 a.m. Room 104, LOB Regular Meeting
COMMISSION TO STUDY FUNDING OF SCHOOL BUILDING AID (SB 321, Chapter 296:7, Laws of 2008)

1:00 p.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

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 7, 2009

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

4:00 p.m. NH Department of Education Regular Meeting
Londergan Hall, Room 15
101 Pleasant Street
Concord, NH

MONDAY, JANUARY 12, 2009

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

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

TUESDAY, JANUARY 13, 2009

ADVISORY COUNCIL ON UNEMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION (RSA 282-A:128)

9:00 a.m. NH Employment Security Regular Meeting
Conference Room 2
32 South Main Street
Concord, NH

FRIDAY, JANUARY 23, 2009

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

10:00 a.m. Room 102, LOB 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 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

Friday, December 05, 2008, at 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.

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 12, 2009, at 4:00 p.m.	Last day to sign-off legislation for the above filing period.
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.
Monday, January 19, 2009	Martin Luther King Jr./Civil Rights Day (State Holiday)
Monday, February 23, 2009 - Friday, February 27, 2009	SENATE BREAK.
Thursday, March 05, 2009	Deadline for Policy Committees to ACT on all Senate money bills, except bills exempted pursuant to Senate Rule 26(b).
Wednesday, March 25, 2009	CROSSOVER - Last day to ACT on all remaining Senate Bills.
Thursday, May 07, 2009	Deadline for Policy Committees to ACT on all House money bills, except bills exempted pursuant to Senate Rule 26(b).
Wednesday, May 27, 2009	Last day to ACT on all remaining House bills.
Wednesday, June 10, 2009	Last day to FORM Committees of Conference.
Thursday, June 18, 2009, at 12:00 p.m.	Last day to SIGN Committee of Conference Reports.
Wednesday, June 24, 2009	Last day to ACT on Committee of Conference Reports.

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. 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

SENATE STANDING COMMITTEES

2009-2010

CAPITAL BUDGET

Thursday, 8:30 a.m. - 10:00 a.m.

Harold W. Janeway, Chairman
Margaret Wood Hassan, Vice Chairman
Lou D'Allesandro
Molly M. Kelly
Theodore L. Gatsas
Michael W. Downing

COMMERCE, LABOR AND CONSUMER PROTECTION

Tuesday, 8:30 a.m. - 10:00 a.m.

Margaret Wood Hassan, Chairman
Betsi L. DeVries, Vice Chairman
Deborah R. Reynolds
Jacalyn L. Cilley
Peter E. Bragdon
Sheila Roberge

EDUCATION

Tuesday, 10:15 a.m. - 12:15 p.m.

Molly M. Kelly, Chairman
Amanda Merrill, Vice Chairman
Martha Fuller Clark
Bette R. Lasky
Peter E. Bragdon
Robert J. Letourneau

ELECTION LAW AND VETERANS' AFFAIRS

Tuesday, 8:30 a.m. - 10:00 a.m.

Bette R. Lasky, Chairman
Matthew Houde, Vice Chairman
Amanda Merrill
Sharon M. Carson
William P. Denley

ENERGY, ENVIRONMENT AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Thursday, 8:30 a.m. - 10:00 a.m.

Martha Fuller Clark, Chairman
Amanda Merrill, Vice Chairman
Jacalyn L. Cilley
Bette R. Lasky
Bob Odell
William P. Denley

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENTS AND ADMINISTRATION

Tuesday, 2:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Jacalyn L. Cilley, Chairman
Martha Fuller Clark, Vice Chairman
Betsi L. DeVries
Michael W. Downing
Sharon M. Carson

FINANCE

Thursday, 10:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

Lou D'Allesandro, Chairman
Harold W. Janeway, Vice Chairman
Sylvia B. Larsen
Margaret Wood Hassan
Kathleen G. Sgambati
John T. Gallus
Bob Odell

HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Tuesday, 8:30 a.m. - 10:00 a.m.

Kathleen G. Sgambati, Chairman
Peggy Gilmour, Vice Chairman
Molly M. Kelly
John T. Gallus
Michael W. Downing

JUDICIARY

Tuesday, 2:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Deborah R. Reynolds, Chairman
Bette R. Lasky, Vice Chairman
Matthew Houde
Sheila Roberge
Robert J. Letourneau

PUBLIC AND MUNICIPAL AFFAIRS

Thursday, 8:30 a.m. - 10:00 a.m.

Betsi L. DeVries, Chairman
Matthew Houde, Vice Chairman
Kathleen G. Sgambati
Sheila Roberge
John S. Barnes, Jr.

RULES AND ENROLLED BILLS

Tuesday, 4:00 p.m. - 4:30 p.m.

Deborah R. Reynolds, Chairman
Lou D'Allesandro, Vice Chairman
Mathew Houde
Peter E. Bragdon
Michael W. Downing

TRANSPORTATION AND INTERSTATE COOPERATION

Thursday, 10:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

Robert J. Letourneau, Chairman
Peggy Gilmour, Vice Chairman
Martha Fuller Clark
Molly M. Kelly
Theodore L. Gatsas

WAYS AND MEANS

Tuesday, 10:15 a.m. - 12:15 p.m.

Bob Odell, Chairman
Lou D'Allesandro, Vice Chairman
Harold W. Janeway
Deborah R. Reynolds
Peggy Gilmour
Michael W. Downing
William P. Denley

WILDLIFE, FISH AND GAME AND AGRICULTURE

Tuesday, 2:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.

John T. Gallus, Chairman
Harold W. Janeway, Vice Chairman
Amanda Merrill
Peggy Gilmour
Theodore L. Gatsas