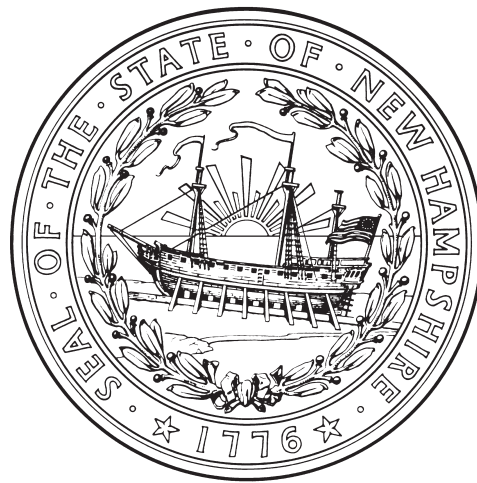


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OUTSTANDING BILLS

Pursuant to Senate Rule 3-23, all bills or resolutions remaining on the table upon adjournment of the first-year and at the end of session shall be made Inexpedient to Legislate at that time.

HB 334-LOCAL, relative to disposition of certain municipal records.

HB 407-FN, clarifying the non taxability of certain telecommunications devices and equipment.

HB 437, establishing a commission to study parental alienation.

HB 452, establishing a commission on the first-in-the-nation presidential primary.

HB 472-FN, relative to special number plates for certain veterans.

HB 641-LOCAL, allowing municipalities to collect an occupancy fee from operators of local room rentals.

HB 682-FN, establishing a water resources fund in the department of environmental services and charging certain application and permit fees.

HB 689-FN-A, establishing a student career and college investment program and making an appropriation therefor.

HB 719-FN-A, establishing the position of school nurse coordinator in the department of education and making an appropriation therefor.

HB 726-FN, establishing a secure forensic psychiatric hospital advisory council and establishing a new forensic psychiatric hospital and making an appropriation therefor.

SB 83-FN-A, increasing funding for the New Hampshire innovation research center and making an appropriation therefor.

SB 84-FN-A, making appropriations to the department of health and human services for homeless services expansion.

SB 91, relative to the release of a defendant pending trial.

SB 107-FN, relative to extended foster care under the child protection act.

SB 116-FN, relative to an assistance program for grandparents caring for minor children and making an appropriation therefor.

SB 117, relative to certain procedures conducted in teaching hospitals.

SB 130-FN, establishing positions in the department of justice and the department of safety to work in the cold case homicide unit.

SB 135-FN-A, relative to the rates of the business profits tax and the business enterprise tax.

SB 143, relative to administrative costs of state aid for special education.

SB 161, relative to the definition of pet vendor, the transfer of animals, and establishing the position of accounting clerk in the department of agriculture, markets, and food.

SB 170-FN-A, making an appropriation to fund the cross border drug interdiction program.

SB 202-FN-A, establishing a stormwater management and flood resilience fund within the department of environmental services and making an appropriation to the fund.

SB 213, relative to immunity for private campground owners.

SB 230-FN, requiring the attorney general to hire staff to supervise election law, campaign finance law, and lobbying matters.

SB 234-FN, establishing the position of director of the office of outdoor recreation industry development in the department of business and economic affairs.

SB 236-FN-A, making an appropriation to the department of health and human services for the purposes of upgrades to substance use disorder treatment facilities.

SB 243-FN, relative to the low and moderate income homeowners property tax relief program.

SB 247-FN-A, establishing a sunny day fund and grant program.

SB 253-FN, relative to statewide deployment of a real-time threat notification system for schools.

SB 259-FN, expanding eligibility for Medicaid for employed adults with disabilities age 65 and over.

SB 260-FN, establishing the New Hampshire pharmaceutical assistance pilot program for seniors and making an appropriation therefor.

SB 265-FN-LOCAL, relative to maintaining stabilization grants at the current level.

SB 266-FN, relative to funding for kindergarten pupils, keno revenues, and school building aid.

SB 277-FN-LOCAL, relative to grants to chartered public schools.

SB 280-FN-LOCAL, relative to the cost of an adequate education.

SB 281-FN-A-LOCAL, relative to mental health services for schools and making an appropriation therefor.

SB 291-FN, relative to the construction of new mental health facilities.

SB 294-FN-A-LOCAL, relative to juvenile diversion programs.

SB 301-FN-A-LOCAL, relative to the rates of the business profits tax and business enterprise tax, and relative to revenue sharing with cities and towns.

SB 303-FN, relative to state aid to school districts.

SB 306-FN, establishing the housing appeals board.

SB 308-FN-A, relative to the health care workforce and making appropriations therefor.

SB 309-FN-LOCAL, relative to stabilization grants for education.

SB 313-FN, establishing a citizen's right-to-know appeals commission and a right-to-know law ombudsman and making an appropriation therefor.

SB 317-FN, prohibiting sanctuary jurisdictions in New Hampshire.

SB 318, relative to donations to the education tax credit program.

Out of Recess. Call the Senate to Order.

MOTION TO ADJOURN FROM LATE SESSION

Senator Feltes moved that the Senate adjourn from the Late Session.

Adopted. Adjournment from the Late Session.

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January 8, 2020

The Senate reconvened at 10:00 a.m., a quorum being present.

The Reverend Jon Hopkins, chaplain to the Senate, offered the following prayer:

Let us Pray.

In this new year, we are thankful that all things are made new. We are thankful for those who serve in the New Hampshire State Senate, for all they have done in the past year, the good along with the hard things. We pray for wisdom, and compassion to lead them each step of this new year. We pray you would make them strong, and courageous for the road ahead. Give them ability, let their gifts flow freely, so that they will serve the people who have elected them. We pray for protection over their families and friends, help them to search for truth, keep them focused on what is pure and right, and all that the Senate does this year provide for the needs of the people of New Hampshire, so that the people may prosper under their leadership. Help them to be generous and kind, looking to the needs of others, and not to be consumed by their own. May this Senate be lovers of truth. May they seek joy and peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control. And through our lives, may we make a difference in this world. May this new year be happy, and prosperous because of the work done in this chamber. Amen.

Senator Sherman led the Pledge of Allegiance.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRESIDENT SOUCY: I'd like to ask all of you to take just a moment of reflection at this time to remember Joyce Phinney, who was an extraordinary member of our State House staff. And her bright smile, her easy laugh, her quick step, and who all of us will continue to remember in our thoughts. So, if we just take a moment.

PRESIDENT SOUCY: As all of you know and certainly as Senator Morse knows, when you stand up here, there's a lot of work and preparation that goes into getting ready for session. And every once in a while, you get to take a personal privilege, and go off script. And I'm going to do that for just a moment, at the great peril of upsetting the Clerk's office. But, I actually want to talk about the Clerk's office for a moment. We are about to embark on another year of session filled with numerous bills. We have staff throughout the building, that are going to work diligently with us. But, all of the work that we do flows through the Clerk's office, and they're really what keeps us running, and how we accomplish everything we do. So, I just wanted to take a moment to recognize the tenure of some of our important staff members.

Jack, would you come up here for just a moment. Jack Mullen, has already been with us for five years, provided five years of dedicated service. Jack always has an easy smile, is always even tempered, gets everything done, and is always looking out for the other members of his team. So, I want to recognize you Jack, on this occasion, for your five years of service.

Ann Knapp, would you come up to the podium for a moment. Ann has also been a truly dedicated member of the Senate Clerk's Office and team. Ann will work until it's dark and there's no one else left in the building. When we first completed the renovations and we're having our organization day, Ann was literally here on her hands and knees cleaning the night before, to make sure that everything would be perfect for all of us. And Ann, we want to thank you, for your twenty years of dedicated service to the State Senate.

And last but not least, every team needs a team leader. And every Senate President, needs someone at their right hand who's thinking ahead of them, who's got them prepared, and who's always got their back. And for the last thirty years in the Clerk's Office; it's only more recently Tammy's been the actual clerk, but Tammy has dedicated nearly more than half of her life to the Senate Clerk's Office. And I think we're all better for her service here in state government. So, thank you Tammy, for your thirty years.

Okay, I promise not to scare you guys any more.

INTRODUCTION OF PAGES

Senator Soucy introduced Abigail Buxton, and Travis Tucker, from Campbell High School, serving as Senate Pages for the day.

INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS

PRESIDENT SOUCY: I'd also like to mention that with us today, is Herb Turner, from Manchester. Herb will be acting as our Sergeant-at-Arms, so please welcome Herb as well.

INTRODUCTION OF LEGISLATION

Senator Feltes offered the following Resolution:

RESOLVED, that in accordance with the list in the possession of the Senate Clerk, the following legislation shall be by this Resolution read a first and second time by the therein listed title and be referred to the therein designated committee. Senate Bill 487 and Senate Bill 536 were inadvertently referred to the Committee on Election Law and Municipal Affairs and will be referred to the Committee on Judiciary. Adopted.

First and Second Reading and Referral

20-2962

CACR 19, relating to the American flag. Providing that no person shall burn an American flag except as a dignified means of disposing of a worn or damaged flag. (French, Dist 7; Morgan, Dist 23; Reagan, Dist 17; Giuda, Dist 2; Birdsell, Dist 19; Bradley, Dist 3; Morse, Dist 22; Baldasaro, Rock. 5; Election Law and Municipal Affairs)

20-2802

SB 411, relative to the direct shipping of liquor. (D'Allesandro, Dist 20; Morse, Dist 22; Commerce)

20-2965

SB 412, establishing a commission to study issues relating to corrections officers. (D'Allesandro, Dist 20; Morgan, Dist 23; Carson, Dist 14; Watters, Dist 4; Executive Departments and Administration)

20-2750

SB 413, authorizing the Girl Scouts of the Green and White Mountains to issue decals for multi-use decal plates. (Watters, Dist 4; Levesque, Dist 12; Hennessey, Dist 5; Chandley, Dist 11; Levesque, Straf. 4; Mulligan, Graf. 12; Walz, Merr. 23; Altschiller, Rock. 19; Transportation)

20-2986

SB 414, changing the formula for the distribution of highway funds in the Woodsville fire district. (Giuda, Dist 2; Ladd, Graf. 4; Ruprecht, Graf. 15; Transportation)

20-2880

SB 415-A, relative to travel insurance. (Cavanaugh, Dist 16; French, Dist 7; Watters, Dist 4; Hunt, Ches. 11; Commerce)

20-2892

SB 416, relative to domestic insurance company investments. (D'Allesandro, Dist 20; Watters, Dist 4; Hunt, Ches. 11; Commerce)

20-2904

SB 417, relative to negotiations by individual public employee bargaining units. (Cavanaugh, Dist 16; Commerce)

20-2906

SB 418, relative to workers' compensation auditable policies. (Cavanaugh, Dist 16; Bartlett, Merr. 19; Commerce)

20-3024

SB 419, relative to membership in risk pools. (Cavanaugh, Dist 16; Commerce)

20-2800

SB 421-FN, relative to educational assistance for members of the New Hampshire national guard. (D'Allesandro, Dist 20; Giuda, Dist 2; Birdsell, Dist 19; Carson, Dist 14; Feltes, Dist 15; Morse, Dist 22; Ford, Graf. 3; Ladd, Graf. 4; Education and Workforce Development)

20-2789

SB 422, relative to changes of registration of voters at primary elections. (Chandley, Dist 11; Levesque, Dist 12; Fuller Clark, Dist 21; Dargie, Hills. 23; M. Murray, Hills. 22; Radhakrishnan, Hills. 22; Martin, Hills. 23; Election Law and Municipal Affairs)

20-2893

SB 423, relative to the election of charter commission members. (D'Allesandro, Dist 20; Cavanaugh, Dist 16; Soucy, Dist 18; Long, Hills. 10; Election Law and Municipal Affairs)

20-2911

SB 424-LOCAL, relative to the property tax exemption for solar energy systems. (Bradley, Dist 3; Watters, Dist 4; Backus, Hills. 19; Merner, Coos 7; Election Law and Municipal Affairs)

20-2943

SB 425-LOCAL, prohibiting registers of deeds from charging fees to municipalities for copies of documents used for tax purposes. (Carson, Dist 14; Gray, Dist 6; Cavanaugh, Dist 16; Rice, Hills. 37; Renzullo, Hills. 37; Greene, Hills. 37; Election Law and Municipal Affairs)

20-3056

SB 426, relative to the right-to-know law. (Chandley, Dist 11; Pantelakos, Rock. 25; Election Law and Municipal Affairs)

20-2782

SB 427, establishing the New Hampshire youth climate and conservation council. (Watters, Dist 4; Morgan, Dist 23; Sherman, Dist 24; Hennessey, Dist 5; Fuller Clark, Dist 21; Bradley, Dist 3; Dietsch, Dist 9; Levesque, Dist 12; Feltes, Dist 15; Chandley, Dist 11; Spang, Straf. 6; Backus, Hills. 19; Bixby, Straf. 17; Energy and Natural Resources)

20-2967

SB 428, relative to notifications to the rivers coordinator of state agency actions affecting rivers. (D'Allesandro, Dist 20; Morgan, Dist 23; Chandley, Dist 11; Energy and Natural Resources)

20-3040

SB 429, establishing a committee to study the feasibility of building regional plastic to oil conversion plants throughout the state. (Chandley, Dist 11; Porter, Hills. 1; Balch, Hills. 38; Energy and Natural Resources)

20-2834

SB 430, relative to the child fatality review committee. (Carson, Dist 14; Bradley, Dist 3; Gray, Dist 6; Morgan, Dist 23; Rice, Hills. 37; Berrien, Rock. 18; Wall, Straf. 6; Lundgren, Rock. 5; Executive Departments and Administration)

20-2905

SB 431, establishing a commission to study the adoption of remote online notarization in New Hampshire. (Cavanaugh, Dist 16; Carson, Dist 14; Kahn, Dist 10; Butler, Carr. 7; Hennessey, Graf. 1; Executive Departments and Administration)

20-2942

SB 432, relative to the definition of “licensing agency” for purposes of licensing places of assembly. (Carson, Dist 14; Reagan, Dist 17; Proulx, Hills. 44; Executive Departments and Administration)

20-2944

SB 433, establishing October 2020 as eczema awareness month. (Carson, Dist 14; Bradley, Dist 3; Gray, Dist 6; Lundgren, Rock. 5; D. Thomas, Rock. 5; Packard, Rock. 5; Baldasaro, Rock. 5; McKinney, Rock. 5; Executive Departments and Administration)

20-2950

SB 434, relative to the purchasing authority of the department of administrative services. (Carson, Dist 14; Reagan, Dist 17; Rosenwald, Dist 13; Schuett, Merr. 20; Sytek, Rock. 8; McGuire, Merr. 29; Executive Departments and Administration)

20-2947

SB 435-FN-A, making a supplemental appropriation to the department of education for the purpose of funding the Hudson CTE center. (Carson, Dist 14; Morse, Dist 22; Watters, Dist 4; Giuda, Dist 2; D’Allesandro, Dist 20; Rice, Hills. 37; L. Ober, Hills. 37; Ulery, Hills. 37; Renzullo, Hills. 37; Finance)

20-2790

SB 436-FN, relative to the penalties for various motor vehicle violations. (Chandley, Dist 11; Rosenwald, Dist 13; Morgan, Dist 23; Dietsch, Dist 9; Williams, Hills. 4; Martin, Hills. 23; Vail, Hills. 30; Telerski, Hills. 35; Fields, Belk. 4; Judiciary)

20-2844

SB 437, relative to incarceration under a suspended sentence. (D’Allesandro, Dist 20; Judiciary)

20-2891

SB 438, establishing a commission to study the repeal of truth in sentencing. (D’Allesandro, Dist 20; Watters, Dist 4; McGuire, Merr. 29; Rodd, Merr. 6; Welch, Rock. 13; Judiciary)

20-2966

SB 439-FN, relative to penalties for violations of privacy. (D’Allesandro, Dist 20; Giuda, Dist 2; Bradley, Dist 3; Cavanaugh, Dist 16; Judiciary)

20-3018

SB 440, establishing the New Hampshire collaborative law act. (Chandley, Dist 11; Carson, Dist 14; Mulligan, Graf. 12; B. Griffin, Hills. 6; Judiciary)

20-3028

SB 441, relative to the definition of secured premises for the purpose of criminal trespass. (Chandley, Dist 11; Carson, Dist 14; Bradley, Dist 3; Gray, Dist 6; Kahn, Dist 10; Opderbecke, Straf. 15; Pantelakos, Rock. 25; Petrigno, Hills. 23; Judiciary)

20-3039

SB 442, relative to alternative dispute resolution. (Chandley, Dist 11; Hennessey, Dist 5; Levesque, Dist 12; Carson, Dist 14; Kahn, Dist 10; M. Smith, Straf. 6; Judiciary)

20-2941

SB 443, allowing judicial referees to issue orders in non-contested probate matters. (Carson, Dist 14; French, Dist 7; Gray, Dist 6; M. Smith, Straf. 6; B. Griffin, Hills. 6; Judiciary)

20-2948

SB 444, amending the alimony statute due to changes in federal tax law. (Carson, Dist 14; French, Dist 7; Rice, Hills. 37; M. Smith, Straf. 6; Wall, Straf. 6; Judiciary)

20-2836

SB 445, relative to residency of children of members of the armed forces. (Carson, Dist 14; Birdsell, Dist 19; Ward, Dist 8; Watters, Dist 4; Giuda, Dist 2; Massimilla, Graf. 1; Baldasaro, Rock. 5; Cleaver, Hills. 35; Packard, Rock. 5; Transportation)

20-3025

SB 446, relative to airport fees for transportation network companies. (Cavanaugh, Dist 16; Transportation)

20-3064

SB 447, relative to pharmacy audit provisions. (Cavanaugh, Dist 16; Soucy, Dist 18; Commerce)

20-2722

SB 448, relative to certification of an employee bargaining unit. (Feltès, Dist 15; Cavanaugh, Dist 16; Fuller Clark, Dist 21; Rosenwald, Dist 13; Commerce)

20-2815

SB 449, permitting tastings by distilleries at farmers markets. (Birdsell, Dist 19; Morgan, Dist 23; Ward, Dist 8; Bradley, Dist 3; O'Connor, Rock. 6; Williams, Hills. 4; Potucek, Rock. 6; Milz, Rock. 6; Commerce)

20-2816

SB 450, relative to brew pubs allowing customers to bring dogs to outdoor areas. (Birdsell, Dist 19; Morgan, Dist 23; Carson, Dist 14; Bradley, Dist 3; Sherman, Dist 24; O'Connor, Rock. 6; Milz, Rock. 6; Klee, Hills. 30; Commerce)

20-2865

SB 451-FN, establishing an administrative hearing procedure and penalty for an employer who fails to make payment of wages or who fails to secure workers' compensation coverage. (Feltès, Dist 15; Commerce)

20-2884

SB 452, making certain technical changes to the insurance laws. (French, Dist 7; Morgan, Dist 23; Bartlett, Merr. 19; Potucek, Rock. 6; Commerce)

20-2885

SB 453-FN, establishing an insurance regulatory sandbox program to temporarily test insurance technology products and services. (French, Dist 7; Morgan, Dist 23; Hunt, Ches. 11; Bartlett, Merr. 19; Commerce)

20-2853

SB 454, relative to the screening date for dyslexia. (Bradley, Dist 3; Rooney, Straf. 1; Hayward, Straf. 1; Education and Workforce Development)

20-2872

SB 455, prohibiting higher education institutions from discriminating on the basis of military, law enforcement, or veterans status. (Bradley, Dist 3; Watters, Dist 4; Fuller Clark, Dist 21; Giuda, Dist 2; Gray, Dist 6; Birdsell, Dist 19; Starr, Dist 1; D'Allesandro, Dist 20; Morse, Dist 22; Carson, Dist 14; Hinch, Hills. 21; Hennessey, Graf. 1; Baldasaro, Rock. 5; Education and Workforce Development)

20-2794

SB 456, relative to the use of capital reserve funds. (Bradley, Dist 3; Crawford, Carr. 4; Cordelli, Carr. 4; Election Law and Municipal Affairs)

20-2811

SB 457-LOCAL, establishing communications districts. (Dietsch, Dist 9; Bradley, Dist 3; Butler, Carr. 7; Thompson, Ches. 14; Election Law and Municipal Affairs)

20-2847

SB 458, relative to municipal regulation of vacation or short-term rentals. (Bradley, Dist 3; French, Dist 7; D'Allesandro, Dist 20; Election Law and Municipal Affairs)

20-2871

SB 459, relative to determining access to broadband. (Bradley, Dist 3; Giuda, Dist 2; McGhee, Hills. 40; Marsh, Carr. 8; Somssich, Rock. 27; Josephson, Graf. 11; Knirk, Carr. 3; Election Law and Municipal Affairs)

20-2874

SB 460, relative to enforcement of zoning violations. (Birdsell, Dist 19; Sherman, Dist 24; O'Connor, Rock. 6; Milz, Rock. 6; Chirichiello, Rock. 6; Election Law and Municipal Affairs)

20-2875

SB 461, relative to the use of cemetery trust funds. (Birdsell, Dist 19; Election Law and Municipal Affairs)

20-2854

SB 462-FN, relative to state energy management. (Bradley, Dist 3; Watters, Dist 4; Fuller Clark, Dist 21; Backus, Hills. 19; Merner, Coos 7; Energy and Natural Resources)

20-2882

SB 463, relative to aggregation of electric utility customers. (French, Dist 7; Gray, Dist 6; D'Allesandro, Dist 20; Giuda, Dist 2; Reagan, Dist 17; Bradley, Dist 3; Plumer, Belk. 6; Energy and Natural Resources)

20-2910

SB 464, establishing a committee to study the release of state land for the northern section of the Conway bypass. (Bradley, Dist 3; Butler, Carr. 7; Woodcock, Carr. 2; Kanzler, Carr. 2; Executive Departments and Administration)

20-2810

SB 465, relative to the cost estimate or fiscal note requirement for legislation proposing a study. (Dietsch, Dist 9; Finance)

20-2873

SB 466, relative to the patient's bill of rights. (Bradley, Dist 3; Cushing, Rock. 21; Klein-Knight, Hills. 11; Marsh, Carr. 8; Bouchard, Hills. 11; Health and Human Services)

20-2914

SB 467, relative to certain procedures conducted in teaching hospitals. (Bradley, Dist 3; Ward, Dist 8; Gray, Dist 6; Carson, Dist 14; Watters, Dist 4; Starr, Dist 1; Reagan, Dist 17; Giuda, Dist 2; Birdsell, Dist 19; Kahn, Dist 10; Health and Human Services)

20-2761

SB 468-FN, relative to prohibited sexual contact involving persons in a position of authority. (Bradley, Dist 3; Ward, Dist 8; Gray, Dist 6; Rosenwald, Dist 13; Carson, Dist 14; D'Allesandro, Dist 20; Starr, Dist 1; French, Dist 7; Reagan, Dist 17; Giuda, Dist 2; Birdsell, Dist 19; Chandley, Dist 11; Burroughs, Carr. 1; B. Griffin, Hills. 6; Judiciary)

20-2768

SB 469, relative to shooting ranges. (Dietsch, Dist 9; Kahn, Dist 10; Judiciary)

20-2881

SB 470, relative to the reporting of law enforcement misconduct to the police standards and training council. (French, Dist 7; Hennessey, Dist 5; Rodd, Merr. 6; Welch, Rock. 13; Judiciary)

20-2818

SB 471, relative to funds for the division of veterans services. (Birdsell, Dist 19; Giuda, Dist 2; Carson, Dist 14; Gray, Dist 6; Edwards, Rock. 4; Transportation)

20-2820

SB 472, establishing a committee to study gold star family decals. (Birdsell, Dist 19; Carson, Dist 14; French, Dist 7; Watters, Dist 4; Edwards, Rock. 4; Baldasaro, Rock. 5; Transportation)

20-2877

SB 473, relative to certificate of boating safety. (Birdsell, Dist 19; Ward, Dist 8; Watters, Dist 4; Torosian, Rock. 14; Transportation)

20-2771

SB 474, relative to the income tax on interest and dividends. (Dietsch, Dist 9; Ways and Means)

20-2912

SB 475, enabling municipalities to adopt a property tax credit for densely-built workforce housing. (Bradley, Dist 3; Josephson, Graf. 11; Major, Rock. 14; Dargie, Hills. 23; Ways and Means)

20-2769

SB 476, relative to parking restrictions at public access to public waters. (Dietsch, Dist 9; Election Law and Municipal Affairs)

20-3008

SB 477, establishing a council on the creative economy. (Fuller Clark, Dist 21; Dietsch, Dist 9; Chandley, Dist 11; Kahn, Dist 10; Danielson, Hills. 7; Wilhelm, Hills. 42; Commerce)

20-3031

SB 478, relative to food in cigar shops. (French, Dist 7; Morgan, Dist 23; Carson, Dist 14; Levesque, Dist 12; Bradley, Dist 3; Pearl, Merr. 26; Commerce)

20-3048

SB 479, establishing a committee to study the regulation of food trucks. (French, Dist 7; Rosenwald, Dist 13; Reagan, Dist 17; Gray, Dist 6; Giuda, Dist 2; Watters, Dist 4; Carson, Dist 14; Sherman, Dist 24; Levesque, Dist 12; Commerce)

20-2987

SB 480, relative to participation in school sports programs for female student athletes. (Giuda, Dist 2; Ward, Dist 8; Birdsell, Dist 19; Education and Workforce Development)

20-3016

SB 481, relative to chartered public school use of unused school district facilities. (French, Dist 7; Fuller Clark, Dist 21; Carson, Dist 14; Ward, Dist 8; Reagan, Dist 17; Giuda, Dist 2; Bradley, Dist 3; Hill, Merr. 3; L. Ober, Hills. 37; Weyler, Rock. 13; Ladd, Graf. 4; Cordelli, Carr. 4; Education and Workforce Development)

20-2773

SB 482, relative to building codes for tiny houses. (Fuller Clark, Dist 21; Sherman, Dist 24; Kahn, Dist 10; Testerman, Merr. 2; Election Law and Municipal Affairs)

20-2859

SB 483, relative to the property tax exemption for educational organizations. (Gray, Dist 6; Ward, Dist 8; Watters, Dist 4; Fuller Clark, Dist 21; Carson, Dist 14; Reagan, Dist 17; Giuda, Dist 2; Feltes, Dist 15; Kahn, Dist 10; Bradley, Dist 3; Election Law and Municipal Affairs)

20-2860

SB 484, establishing a commission to study payments in lieu of taxes. (Gray, Dist 6; P. Schmidt, Straf. 19; Election Law and Municipal Affairs)

20-2931

SB 485, relative to the disqualification of certain persons from performing duties as an election official. (Gray, Dist 6; Ward, Dist 8; Reagan, Dist 17; Birdsell, Dist 19; Bradley, Dist 3; Carson, Dist 14; Gay, Rock. 8; Election Law and Municipal Affairs)

20-3005

SB 487, repealing the housing appeals board and establishing a commission to advance affordable housing in New Hampshire. (Fuller Clark, Dist 21; Dietsch, Dist 9; Sherman, Dist 24; Grote, Rock. 24; Maggiore, Rock. 22; Le, Rock. 31; K. Murray, Rock. 24; Judiciary)

20-3012

SB 488, relative to public inspection of absentee ballot lists. (French, Dist 7; Carson, Dist 14; Reagan, Dist 17; Giuda, Dist 2; Bradley, Dist 3; Hill, Merr. 3; Plumer, Belk. 6; Forsythe, Merr. 8; Election Law and Municipal Affairs)

20-3013

SB 489, relative to the absentee ballot application process. (French, Dist 7; Reagan, Dist 17; Fuller Clark, Dist 21; Gray, Dist 6; Giuda, Dist 2; Bradley, Dist 3; Hill, Merr. 3; Pearl, Merr. 26; Election Law and Municipal Affairs)

20-3051

SB 490, prohibiting state vendors from making campaign contributions. (Fuller Clark, Dist 21; Read, Rock. 17; Porter, Hills. 1; Election Law and Municipal Affairs)

20-2736

SB 491, relative to shoreland water quality. (Fuller Clark, Dist 21; Grassie, Straf. 11; Gourgue, Straf. 25; Suzanne Smith, Graf. 8; Spang, Straf. 6; Energy and Natural Resources)

20-2766

SB 492, relative to the electric renewable portfolio standard. (Fuller Clark, Dist 21; Kahn, Dist 10; Moffett, Merr. 9; Wells, Merr. 1; Somssich, Rock. 27; Backus, Hills. 19; McGhee, Hills. 40; Energy and Natural Resources)

20-2767

SB 493-FN-A, relative to register of deeds fees used to support the land and community heritage investment program (LCHIP), and establishing a committee to study the economic impact of land conservation and to review the LCHIP surcharge. (Fuller Clark, Dist 21; Kahn, Dist 10; Malloy, Rock. 23; Tucker, Coos 5; Spang, Straf. 6; Danielson, Hills. 7; Energy and Natural Resources)

20-2774

SB 494, relative to the public utilities commission estimates of electricity production for customer-sited sources that are net metered and for which renewable energy certificates are not issued. (Fuller Clark, Dist 21; Backus, Hills. 19; Mann, Ches. 2; Moffett, Merr. 9; Energy and Natural Resources)

20-2775

SB 495, relative to biodiesel in class I electric renewable energy. (Fuller Clark, Dist 21; Bradley, Dist 3; Sherman, Dist 24; Malloy, Rock. 23; Cali-Pitts, Rock. 30; Energy and Natural Resources)

20-2809

SB 496-FN, relative to municipal water pollution control. (Watters, Dist 4; Fuller Clark, Dist 21; Chandley, Dist 11; Levesque, Dist 12; Spang, Straf. 6; Energy and Natural Resources)

20-2972

SB 497, relative to the class IV hydroelectric requirement under electric renewable portfolio standards. (Fuller Clark, Dist 21; Backus, Hills. 19; McGhee, Hills. 40; Mann, Ches. 2; Energy and Natural Resources)

20-3033

SB 498, relative to customer electrical energy storage. (Fuller Clark, Dist 21; Bradley, Dist 3; McGhee, Hills. 40; Backus, Hills. 19; Energy and Natural Resources)

20-3050

SB 499, requiring the public utilities commission to establish electric utility performance incentives and penalty mechanisms. (Fuller Clark, Dist 21; McGhee, Hills. 40; Backus, Hills. 19; Energy and Natural Resources)

20-2970

SB 500, relative to financial disclosures by legislators. (Fuller Clark, Dist 21; Gordon, Graf. 9; Wall, Straf. 6; Executive Departments and Administration)

20-2979

SB 501, relative to the Honor and Remember Flag. (Giuda, Dist 2; Fuller Clark, Dist 21; Watters, Dist 4; Gray, Dist 6; Bradley, Dist 3; Sherman, Dist 24; Panasiti, Hills. 22; Klee, Hills. 30; Executive Departments and Administration)

20-3019

SB 502, establishing a nursing review subcommittee. (Giuda, Dist 2; Fuller Clark, Dist 21; Watters, Dist 4; Sherman, Dist 24; Executive Departments and Administration)

20-3034

SB 503, relative to the task force on work and family. (Fuller Clark, Dist 21; Wallner, Merr. 10; Mulligan, Graf. 12; Diggs, Graf. 16; Executive Departments and Administration)

20-3083

SB 504, establishing a committee to study the effectiveness of outdoor therapy, art therapy, and music therapy as alternative covered treatments for individuals with post-traumatic stress disorder and substance abuse disorders. (Fuller Clark, Dist 21; Carson, Dist 14; Sherman, Dist 24; Danielson, Hills. 7; Spang, Straf. 6; Ladd, Graf. 4; Executive Departments and Administration)

20-2857

SB 505, relative to residential child care licensing of child care institutions or agencies. (Gray, Dist 6; Birdsell, Dist 19; Carson, Dist 14; Reagan, Dist 17; Sherman, Dist 24; Rosenwald, Dist 13; French, Dist 7; Ward, Dist 8; Fuller Clark, Dist 21; Bradley, Dist 3; Giuda, Dist 2; Watters, Dist 4; Morgan, Dist 23; Hennessey, Dist 5; Kahn, Dist 10; Chandley, Dist 11; Campion, Graf. 12; McMahon, Rock. 7; Health and Human Services)

20-2889

SB 506, establishing a commission to study workplace safety in health care settings. (Gray, Dist 6; Ward, Dist 8; Rosenwald, Dist 13; Watters, Dist 4; Fuller Clark, Dist 21; Carson, Dist 14; Giuda, Dist 2; Birdsell, Dist 19; Bradley, Dist 3; Sherman, Dist 24; Kahn, Dist 10; Health and Human Services)

20-2956

SB 507, relative to prescription medication for treatment or prevention of communicable disease. (Fuller Clark, Dist 21; Reagan, Dist 17; Gray, Dist 6; Woods, Merr. 23; MacKay, Merr. 14; Ebel, Merr. 5; Knirk, Carr. 3; Health and Human Services)

20-2734

SB 508, extending the statute of limitations for civil actions based on a sexual assault. (Fuller Clark, Dist 21; Kahn, Dist 10; Chandley, Dist 11; Reagan, Dist 17; Bradley, Dist 3; Feltes, Dist 15; Soucy, Dist 18; Gordon, Graf. 9; Altschiller, Rock. 19; K. Murray, Rock. 24; Cushing, Rock. 21; Abbas, Rock. 8; Judiciary)

20-2760

SB 509, relative to complaint procedures in cases before the commission for human rights. (Levesque, Dist 12; Fuller Clark, Dist 21; Sherman, Dist 24; Hennessey, Dist 5; Cleaver, Hills. 35; Radhakrishnan, Hills. 22; Judiciary)

20-2983

SB 510-FN-A, crediting excess funds in the investor education fund to the FRM victim's fund. (Giuda, Dist 2; D'Allesandro, Dist 20; Weyler, Rock. 13; L. Ober, Hills. 37; Ways and Means)

20-3074

SB 511, relative to the formula used to determine current use tax rates. (Giuda, Dist 2; Carson, Dist 14; Barry, Hills. 21; L. Ober, Hills. 37; Wuelper, Straf. 3; Weyler, Rock. 13; Ways and Means)

20-2918

SB 512, relative to transportation of beverages and wine. (French, Dist 7; Reagan, Dist 17; Giuda, Dist 2; Cavanaugh, Dist 16; Hunt, Ches. 11; Commerce)

20-2925

SB 513-FN, relative to vehicle repair standards. (Birdsell, Dist 19; Watters, Dist 4; Bradley, Dist 3; Packard, Rock. 5; Weyler, Rock. 13; Williams, Hills. 4; Steven Smith, Sull. 11; Commerce)

20-2954

SB 514, relative to alternative learning credit rules of the state board of education. (Dietsch, Dist 9; Kahn, Dist 10; Tanner, Sull. 9; Education and Workforce Development)

20-2961

SB 515, relative to a discrimination prevention policy in schools. (French, Dist 7; Reagan, Dist 17; Fuller Clark, Dist 21; Birdsell, Dist 19; Starr, Dist 1; Levesque, Dist 12; Rosenwald, Dist 13; Bradley, Dist 3; Carson, Dist 14; Kahn, Dist 10; Morse, Dist 22; St. Clair, Belk. 9; Education and Workforce Development)

20-2953

SB 516, relative to a property tax credit for active duty military personnel. (Dietsch, Dist 9; Carson, Dist 14; Morgan, Dist 23; Levesque, Dist 12; Williams, Hills. 4; Election Law and Municipal Affairs)

20-3017

SB 517, relative to the public information and permitting functions of the office of the commissioner in the department of environmental services. (Bradley, Dist 3; Fuller Clark, Dist 21; Giuda, Dist 2; Suzanne Smith, Graf. 8; Renzullo, Hills. 37; Energy and Natural Resources)

20-3061

SB 518, relative to group host net energy metering for low-income community solar projects, limited electrical energy producers storage systems and private sector sales, outdoor lighting policies, and aggregation of electric utility customers. (Feltel, Dist 15; Kahn, Dist 10; Watters, Dist 4; Fuller Clark, Dist 21; Energy and Natural Resources)

20-2915

SB 519, relative to special health care services licenses. (Bradley, Dist 3; Rosenwald, Dist 13; Dietsch, Dist 9; Fuller Clark, Dist 21; Chandley, Dist 11; Sherman, Dist 24; Hennessey, Dist 5; Knirk, Carr. 3; Hennessey, Graf. 1; Schapiro, Ches. 16; Marsh, Carr. 8; Fargo, Straf. 14; Executive Departments and Administration)

20-2917

SB 520, repealing the statute governing weather modification experimentation. (French, Dist 7; Carson, Dist 14; Gray, Dist 6; Ward, Dist 8; Giuda, Dist 2; Aron, Sull. 7; Camarota, Hills. 7; Potucek, Rock. 6; Executive Departments and Administration)

20-2964

SB 521, relative to prohibiting legislator participation or advocacy in matters directly related to their employment. (Bradley, Dist 3; Ward, Dist 8; French, Dist 7; Fuller Clark, Dist 21; Giuda, Dist 2; Birdsell, Dist 19; Starr, Dist 1; Morse, Dist 22; Carson, Dist 14; Executive Departments and Administration)

20-2913

SB 522, requiring providers to get a verbal acknowledgment for an initial prescription for opioids. (Bradley, Dist 3; Ward, Dist 8; Levesque, Dist 12; Hennessey, Dist 5; Reagan, Dist 17; Birdsell, Dist 19; Carson, Dist 14; Sherman, Dist 24; Hennessey, Graf. 1; Marsh, Carr. 8; Knirk, Carr. 3; Health and Human Services)

20-2920

SB 523, relative to the analysis of devices or instruments that produce evidence that may be admissible in court. (French, Dist 7; Ward, Dist 8; Reagan, Dist 17; Giuda, Dist 2; Pearl, Merr. 26; Aldrich, Belk. 2; Judiciary)

20-2921

SB 524-FN, relative to immunity from arrest or prosecution for prostitution for seeking medical assistance for reporting certain crimes. (French, Dist 7; Reagan, Dist 17; Judiciary)

20-3030

SB 525, relative to probate administration, distribution upon intestacy, and powers of attorney. (Feltes, Dist 15; Judiciary)

20-2924

SB 526, relative to disposal of abandoned cars. (Birdsell, Dist 19; Packard, Rock. 5; Transportation)

20-2919

SB 527-FN, relative to historical racing. (French, Dist 7; Birdsell, Dist 19; Abrami, Rock. 19; Ways and Means)

20-2922

SB 528, relative to games of chance. (French, Dist 7; Reagan, Dist 17; Bradley, Dist 3; Cavanaugh, Dist 16; Ways and Means)

20-2971

SB 530, relative to property tax exemptions for renewable energy systems. (Fuller Clark, Dist 21; Bradley, Dist 3; Backus, Hills. 19; Moffett, Merr. 9; McGhee, Hills. 40; Cali-Pitts, Rock. 30; Election Law and Municipal Affairs)

20-2852

SB 531, relative to prior authorizations under group health insurance policies and managed care. (Morgan, Dist 23; Kahn, Dist 10; Watters, Dist 4; Rosenwald, Dist 13; Fuller Clark, Dist 21; Hennessey, Dist 5; Sherman, Dist 24; Bradley, Dist 3; Cavanaugh, Dist 16; Gray, Dist 6; Knirk, Carr. 3; Marsh, Carr. 8; Woods, Merr. 23; Indruk, Hills. 34; Commerce)

20-3022

SB 532, relative to the purchase of structured settlement annuity contracts. (Levesque, Dist 12; Hennessey, Dist 5; Commerce)

20-2851

SB 533, establishing a committee to study the benefit of extended school recess. (Morgan, Dist 23; French, Dist 7; Hennessey, Dist 5; Carson, Dist 14; Owens, Rock. 4; Education and Workforce Development)

20-2894

SB 534, relative to state board of education rulemaking regarding criminal history records checks. (Morgan, Dist 23; Bradley, Dist 3; Gray, Dist 6; Education and Workforce Development)

20-2990

SB 535, authorizing school districts to adopt community service programs. (Levesque, Dist 12; Birdsell, Dist 19; Dolan, Rock. 5; McConnell, Rock. 11; Muscatel, Graf. 12; Education and Workforce Development)

20-2762

SB 536, establishing a committee to study the housing appeals board. (Morse, Dist 22; Birdsell, Dist 19; Judiciary)

20-2786

SB 537, proclaiming January 24 as Granny D. Day. (Levesque, Dist 12; Chandley, Dist 11; Carson, Dist 14; Watters, Dist 4; Dietsch, Dist 9; Fuller Clark, Dist 21; Hennessey, Dist 5; Kahn, Dist 10; Feltes, Dist 15; Ley, Ches. 9; Election Law and Municipal Affairs)

20-3021

SB 538, establishing a commission to study property tax exemptions for charitable organizations. (Levesque, Dist 12; Gray, Dist 6; Chandley, Dist 11; Election Law and Municipal Affairs)

20-2759

SB 539, relative to classification of certain employee positions. (Reagan, Dist 17; McGuire, Merr. 29; Executive Departments and Administration)

20-2798

SB 540, repealing the emergency medical services personnel licensure interstate compact. (Rosenwald, Dist 13; Carson, Dist 14; Chandley, Dist 11; Cavanaugh, Dist 16; Milz, Rock. 6; M. Pearson, Rock. 34; Executive Departments and Administration)

20-2824

SB 541, relative to the child abuse and neglect central registry. (Morgan, Dist 23; Sherman, Dist 24; Fuller Clark, Dist 21; Bradley, Dist 3; Berrien, Rock. 18; Long, Hills. 10; M. Pearson, Rock. 34; Executive Departments and Administration)

20-2896

SB 542, relative to membership on the professional standards board. (Morgan, Dist 23; Fuller Clark, Dist 21; Gray, Dist 6; Executive Departments and Administration)

20-2901

SB 543-FN, relative to group II retirement system status for certain department of corrections officials. (Reagan, Dist 17; Carson, Dist 14; French, Dist 7; Executive Departments and Administration)

20-3011

SB 544, relative to the filing of administrative rules by state agencies. (Reagan, Dist 17; Hatch, Coos 6; McGuire, Merr. 29; P. Schmidt, Straf. 19; Executive Departments and Administration)

20-2850

SB 545, establishing a committee to study the safety of residents and employees in long-term care facilities. (Morgan, Dist 23; Sherman, Dist 24; Fuller Clark, Dist 21; Carson, Dist 14; Gray, Dist 6; Health and Human Services)

20-2765

SB 546, relative to management of chronic pain. (Reagan, Dist 17; Health and Human Services)

20-3026

SB 547, relative to an electronic prescription drug program. (Morgan, Dist 23; Rosenwald, Dist 13; Fuller Clark, Dist 21; Health and Human Services)

20-3070

SB 548, relative to protections under the use of cannabis for therapeutic purposes program. (Reagan, Dist 17; French, Dist 7; Kahn, Dist 10; McGuire, Merr. 29; Seaworth, Merr. 20; Health and Human Services)

20-2825

SB 549, relative to the rebuttable presumption of harm under the child protection act. (Morgan, Dist 23; Fuller Clark, Dist 21; Bradley, Dist 3; Gray, Dist 6; Sherman, Dist 24; Berrien, Rock. 18; Rice, Hills. 37; M. Pearson, Rock. 34; Judiciary)

20-2829

SB 550, relative to investigatory interviews and evaluations under the child protection act. (Morgan, Dist 23; Gray, Dist 6; Sherman, Dist 24; Fuller Clark, Dist 21; Hennessey, Graf. 1; Berrien, Rock. 18; Long, Hills. 10; M. Pearson, Rock. 34; Judiciary)

20-2845

SB 551, adding a bail commissioner to the commission on pretrial detention, pretrial scheduling, and pretrial services, and relative to the release of a defendant pending trial. (Levesque, Dist 12; Welch, Rock. 13; Rodd, Merr. 6; Judiciary)

20-2791

SB 552, designating a portion of state route 125 as Officer Stephen Arkell Memorial Highway. (Morgan, Dist 23; French, Dist 7; D'Allesandro, Dist 20; Sherman, Dist 24; Morse, Dist 22; Gray, Dist 6; Watters, Dist 4; Cavanaugh, Dist 16; Chandley, Dist 11; Fuller Clark, Dist 21; Bradley, Dist 3; Carson, Dist 14; Rosenwald, Dist 13; M. Pearson, Rock. 34; McConnell, Rock. 11; Wallace, Rock. 12; Weyler, Rock. 13; Yokela, Rock. 33; Transportation)

20-2895

SB 553, relative to school employee and school volunteer criminal history record checks. (Morgan, Dist 23; Bradley, Dist 3; Education and Workforce Development)

20-2932

SB 554, establishing a committee to study state regulation of net neutrality. (Kahn, Dist 10; Fuller Clark, Dist 21; P. Schmidt, Straf. 19; Commerce)

20-3043

SB 555, relative to telemedicine coverage and reimbursements. (Kahn, Dist 10; Rosenwald, Dist 13; Fuller Clark, Dist 21; Gray, Dist 6; Bradley, Dist 3; Dietsch, Dist 9; Cavanaugh, Dist 16; Chandley, Dist 11; Soucy, Dist 18; Hennessey, Dist 5; Sherman, Dist 24; Marsh, Carr. 8; Snow, Hills. 19; Commerce)

20-3094

SB 556, relative to violence in schools. (Kahn, Dist 10; Luneau, Merr. 10; Morgan, Dist 23; Commerce)

20-2805

SB 557, relative to the advisory council on career and technical education. (Kahn, Dist 10; Morgan, Dist 23; Watters, Dist 4; Ladd, Graf. 4; Doherty, Merr. 20; Education and Workforce Development)

20-3087

SB 558, extending the reporting date of the commission to study school funding. (Kahn, Dist 10; Ward, Dist 8; Morgan, Dist 23; Luneau, Merr. 10; Ladd, Graf. 4; Wallner, Merr. 10; Heath, Hills. 14; Education and Workforce Development)

20-2908

SB 559, relative to municipal broadband infrastructure bonds. (Kahn, Dist 10; Levesque, Dist 12; Bradley, Dist 3; Hennessey, Dist 5; Barry, Hills. 21; Leishman, Hills. 24; Mann, Ches. 2; Harvey, Ches. 1; Election Law and Municipal Affairs)

20-2934

SB 560-LOCAL, relative to placing Keno on a warrant. (Kahn, Dist 10; Hennessey, Dist 5; Fuller Clark, Dist 21; Election Law and Municipal Affairs)

20-2935

SB 561, relative to the appointment of town clerks. (Kahn, Dist 10; Ward, Dist 8; Levesque, Dist 12; Reagan, Dist 17; Election Law and Municipal Affairs)

20-2936

SB 562, relative to a property tax relief program for repairs and updates of affordable older homes. (Kahn, Dist 10; Sherman, Dist 24; Chandley, Dist 11; Fuller Clark, Dist 21; Election Law and Municipal Affairs)

20-2938

SB 563, relative to authorizing the issuance of bonds or notes by a municipality. (Kahn, Dist 10; Morgan, Dist 23; Watters, Dist 4; Luneau, Merr. 10; Tanner, Sull. 9; Election Law and Municipal Affairs)

20-2785

SB 564, proclaiming August 31 as International Overdose Awareness Day. (Levesque, Dist 12; Watters, Dist 4; Fuller Clark, Dist 21; Gray, Dist 6; Rosenwald, Dist 13; Kahn, Dist 10; Birdsell, Dist 19; Bradley, Dist 3; Chandley, Dist 11; Morgan, Dist 23; Sherman, Dist 24; Hennessey, Dist 5; Cleaver, Hills. 35; Telerski, Hills. 35; Vail, Hills. 30; Executive Departments and Administration)

20-2870

SB 565, adding the chancellor of the university system of New Hampshire to the department of business and economic affairs council of partner agencies. (Kahn, Dist 10; Morgan, Dist 23; Fuller Clark, Dist 21; Watters, Dist 4; D'Allesandro, Dist 20; Soucy, Dist 18; Cavanaugh, Dist 16; Executive Departments and Administration)

20-2933

SB 566, relative to information submitted to the department of business and economic affairs regarding recruitment. (Kahn, Dist 10; Morgan, Dist 23; Soucy, Dist 18; Executive Departments and Administration)

20-2958

SB 567, relative to the commission on interdisciplinary primary care workforce. (Hennessey, Dist 5; Rosenwald, Dist 13; Fuller Clark, Dist 21; Gray, Dist 6; Carson, Dist 14; Campion, Graf. 12; Marsh, Carr. 8; Executive Departments and Administration)

20-2975

SB 568, establishing an oversight committee to the office of professional licensure and certification. (Kahn, Dist 10; Bradley, Dist 3; MacKay, Merr. 14; Edwards, Rock. 4; Meader, Ches. 6; Executive Departments and Administration)

20-3004

SB 569, relative to the borrowing authority of the university system of New Hampshire. (Kahn, Dist 10; Watters, Dist 4; Fuller Clark, Dist 21; Morgan, Dist 23; Luneau, Merr. 10; Heath, Hills. 14; Finance)

20-2952

SB 570, relative to the reimbursement of costs of training nursing assistants. (Kahn, Dist 10; Rosenwald, Dist 13; Ward, Dist 8; Giuda, Dist 2; Schamberg, Merr. 4; Woods, Merr. 23; Hennessey, Graf. 1; Health and Human Services)

20-3029

SB 571, relative to the uniform disclaimer of property interests act. (Feltès, Dist 15; Judiciary)

20-2731

SB 572-FN, relative to prohibited sexual contact involving persons in a position of authority. (Hennessey, Dist 5; Gray, Dist 6; Rosenwald, Dist 13; Fuller Clark, Dist 21; Feltès, Dist 15; Starr, Dist 1; Levesque, Dist 12; Kahn, Dist 10; Chandley, Dist 11; Watters, Dist 4; Cavanaugh, Dist 16; Carson, Dist 14; Bradley, Dist 3; Sherman, Dist 24; Tanner, Sull. 9; Judiciary)

20-3036

SB 573, relative to criminal threats to school safety. (Kahn, Dist 10; Watters, Dist 4; Ladd, Graf. 4; Hennessey, Dist 5; Chandley, Dist 11; Morgan, Dist 23; Luneau, Merr. 10; Judiciary)

20-3077

SB 574, relative to a petition for protective order filed on behalf of a child. (Hennessey, Dist 5; Cavanaugh, Dist 16; Soucy, Dist 18; Judiciary)

20-3079

SB 575, relative to appeals from the victims' assistance commission. (Kahn, Dist 10; Watters, Dist 4; Reagan, Dist 17; Hatch, Coos 6; Williams, Hills. 4; P. Schmidt, Straf. 19; Judiciary)

20-2982

SB 576, revising the authority of boards and commissions for technical and health professions regulated by the office of professional licensure and certification. (Giuda, Dist 2; Sherman, Dist 24; Executive Departments and Administration)

20-2796

SB 577-FN, relative to self-service storage insurance. (Watters, Dist 4; Cavanaugh, Dist 16; Van Houten, Hills. 45; Commerce)

20-2864

SB 578, changing the requirement a member of the sponsoring charitable organization to be present during certain games of chance. (Sherman, Dist 24; D'Allesandro, Dist 20; Leishman, Hills. 24; Commerce)

20-2867

SB 579, relative to e-delivery of insurance documents and commercial lines renewal notices. (Rosenwald, Dist 13; Morgan, Dist 23; Muscatel, Graf. 12; Indruk, Hills. 34; Commerce)

20-2869

SB 580, relative to the scope of medical payments under a motor vehicle insurance policy. (Rosenwald, Dist 13; Morgan, Dist 23; Williams, Hills. 4; Indruk, Hills. 34; Commerce)

20-3060

SB 581, amending the eligibility criteria for obtaining a part-time commercial lobster and crab license. (Watters, Dist 4; Fuller Clark, Dist 21; Cushing, Rock. 21; Laflamme, Coos 3; Commerce)

20-2744

SB 582, establishing a commission to differentiate the cost of education and the cost of care for children in a residential facility. (Ward, Dist 8; Morgan, Dist 23; Giuda, Dist 2; Ladd, Graf. 4; Cordelli, Carr. 4; Education and Workforce Development)

20-2780

SB 583, relative to the addition of climate and environmental sciences to the criteria for an adequate education. (Watters, Dist 4; Morgan, Dist 23; Rosenwald, Dist 13; Sherman, Dist 24; Kahn, Dist 10; Hennessey, Dist 5; Fuller Clark, Dist 21; Dietsch, Dist 9; Levesque, Dist 12; Moffett, Merr. 9; Education and Workforce Development)

20-2888

SB 584, relative to policies for students with head injuries. (Watters, Dist 4; Rosenwald, Dist 13; Giuda, Dist 2; Kahn, Dist 10; Cordelli, Carr. 4; Ladd, Graf. 4; Grassie, Straf. 11; Education and Workforce Development)

20-3002

SB 585, relative to requirements for a one year certificate of eligibility to teach. (Starr, Dist 1; Cordelli, Carr. 4; Education and Workforce Development)

20-2729

SB 586-FN, relative to certain expenditures by candidates and candidate committees. (Hennessey, Dist 5; Sherman, Dist 24; Election Law and Municipal Affairs)

20-2755

SB 587, relative to the duties and membership of the energy efficiency and sustainable energy board. (Watters, Dist 4; Hennessey, Dist 5; Morgan, Dist 23; Kahn, Dist 10; Fuller Clark, Dist 21; Bradley, Dist 3; Chandley, Dist 11; Dietsch, Dist 9; Feltes, Dist 15; Oxenham, Sull. 1; Backus, Hills. 19; Energy and Natural Resources)

20-2781

SB 588-FN, relative to wanton waste of an animal and prohibiting wildlife killing contests. (Watters, Dist 4; Kahn, Dist 10; Hennessey, Dist 5; Feltes, Dist 15; Read, Rock. 17; Kenney, Straf. 6; Energy and Natural Resources)

20-3023

SB 589, allowing the commissioner of the department of environmental services to waive certain requirements for seasonal docks. (Rosenwald, Dist 13; Renzullo, Hills. 37; Klee, Hills. 30; Vail, Hills. 30; Dutzy, Hills. 30; Energy and Natural Resources)

20-3046

SB 590, establishing a committee to develop science-based emissions reduction goals for the state of New Hampshire. (Sherman, Dist 24; Morgan, Dist 23; Rosenwald, Dist 13; Kahn, Dist 10; Fuller Clark, Dist 21; Watters, Dist 4; Bradley, Dist 3; Carson, Dist 14; Knirk, Carr. 3; Woods, Merr. 23; Ebel, Merr. 5; Marsh, Carr. 8; Fothergill, Coos 1; Energy and Natural Resources)

20-3058

SB 591, establishing a statewide solid waste disposal reduction goal. (Watters, Dist 4; Dietsch, Dist 9; Fuller Clark, Dist 21; Rosenwald, Dist 13; D'Allesandro, Dist 20; Chandley, Dist 11; Hennessey, Dist 5; Morgan, Dist 23; Kahn, Dist 10; Levesque, Dist 12; Bradley, Dist 3; Ebel, Merr. 5; M. Murray, Hills. 22; O'Connor, Rock. 6; Wolf, Merr. 5; Energy and Natural Resources)

20-2732

SB 592, relative to the Pease development authority board of directors. (Sherman, Dist 24; Fuller Clark, Dist 21; Morgan, Dist 23; Malloy, Rock. 23; Le, Rock. 31; Executive Departments and Administration)

20-2737

SB 593, relative to prohibiting unlicensed persons from using titles or descriptions of services for the practice of medicine. (Sherman, Dist 24; Giuda, Dist 2; Morgan, Dist 23; Cavanaugh, Dist 16; D'Allesandro, Dist 20; Fuller Clark, Dist 21; Marsh, Carr. 8; Goley, Hills. 8; Panasiti, Hills. 22; M. Pearson, Rock. 34; Woods, Merr. 23; Executive Departments and Administration)

20-2752

SB 594, relative to certification requirements for speech pathologists. (Reagan, Dist 17; French, Dist 7; Carson, Dist 14; McGuire, Merr. 29; Executive Departments and Administration)

20-2757

SB 595, relative to certain unclassified positions in the department of health and human services. (Reagan, Dist 17; French, Dist 7; Carson, Dist 14; McGuire, Merr. 29; Executive Departments and Administration)

20-2784

SB 596, relative to hearings of the New Hampshire board of nursing. (Ward, Dist 8; Rosenwald, Dist 13; French, Dist 7; Reagan, Dist 17; Fuller Clark, Dist 21; Bradley, Dist 3; Carson, Dist 14; Giuda, Dist 2; Birdsell, Dist 19; Marsh, Carr. 8; Executive Departments and Administration)

20-2848

SB 597, relative to licensure of physician assistants. (Sherman, Dist 24; Bradley, Dist 3; Gray, Dist 6; Salloway, Straf. 5; Marsh, Carr. 8; Executive Departments and Administration)

20-2740

SB 598, adding physician assistants to the law governing advance directives. (Sherman, Dist 24; Bradley, Dist 3; Gray, Dist 6; Salloway, Straf. 5; Marsh, Carr. 8; Schapiro, Ches. 16; Ticehurst, Carr. 3; Guthrie, Rock. 13; Health and Human Services)

20-2804

SB 599, relative to testing for lead in water in schools and child care facilities. (Rosenwald, Dist 13; Feltes, Dist 15; Cavanaugh, Dist 16; Kahn, Dist 10; D'Allesandro, Dist 20; Fuller Clark, Dist 21; Soucy, Dist 18; Hennessey, Dist 5; Sherman, Dist 24; Cloutier, Sull. 10; Wallner, Merr. 10; Stapleton, Sull. 5; Martin, Hills. 23; Hennessey, Graf. 1; Health and Human Services)

20-2823

SB 600-FN-LOCAL, requiring medication-assisted treatment for substance use disorders for prisoners incarcerated in a county correctional facility. (Sherman, Dist 24; Feltes, Dist 15; Morgan, Dist 23; McMahon, Rock. 7; Marsh, Carr. 8; Health and Human Services)

20-2842

SB 601, relative to the treatment of glaucoma and repealing the joint credentialing committee for optometrists. (Rosenwald, Dist 13; Carson, Dist 14; Chandley, Dist 11; Ward, Dist 8; Reagan, Dist 17; Cavanaugh, Dist 16; Grote, Rock. 24; P. Schmidt, Straf. 19; Health and Human Services)

20-2739

SB 602, establishing a committee to study the issue of unmarried cohabitants, domestic partnerships, and common law marriage. (Sherman, Dist 24; Fuller Clark, Dist 21; Kahn, Dist 10; Maggiore, Rock. 22; Cali-Pitts, Rock. 30; K. Murray, Rock. 24; Judiciary)

20-2778

SB 603-FN, relative to financial assistance for biomass and forest product workers. (Feltes, Dist 15; Fuller Clark, Dist 21; Hennessey, Dist 5; Cavanaugh, Dist 16; Commerce)

20-2741

SB 604, naming certain courtrooms in the tenth circuit district court. (Sherman, Dist 24; Edgar, Rock. 21; Loughman, Rock. 21; Bushway, Rock. 21; Cushing, Rock. 21; Janvrin, Rock. 37; Judiciary)

20-2746

SB 605-FN, relative to violations of privacy involving an unmanned aerial vehicle. (Ward, Dist 8; Birdsell, Dist 19; Steven Smith, Sull. 11; Erf, Hills. 2; Judiciary)

20-2992

SB 606, permitting a supreme court justice to sit as a circuit court judge. (Levesque, Dist 12; Judiciary)

20-3015

SB 607, relative to applicability of certain DWI prohibitions. (French, Dist 7; Hennessey, Dist 5; Reagan, Dist 17; Forsythe, Merr. 8; Pearl, Merr. 26; St. Clair, Belk. 9; Judiciary)

20-3027

SB 608, relative to animals in motor vehicles. (Sherman, Dist 24; Watters, Dist 4; Cavanaugh, Dist 16; Le, Rock. 31; Leishman, Hills. 24; K. Murray, Rock. 24; Grote, Rock. 24; Judiciary)

20-2758

SB 609, relative to passenger restraints. (Watters, Dist 4; Sherman, Dist 24; Rosenwald, Dist 13; Hennessey, Dist 5; Marsh, Carr. 8; Campion, Graf. 12; Berrien, Rock. 18; Transportation)

20-2777

SB 610, establishing a commission to evaluate the transportation climate initiative framework for a draft memorandum of understanding and associated modeling and scenarios. (Watters, Dist 4; Hennessey, Dist 5; Major, Rock. 14; Backus, Hills. 19; Ames, Ches. 9; Transportation)

20-2797

SB 611, relative to state vehicle inspection stations. (Watters, Dist 4; Birdsell, Dist 19; Steven Smith, Sull. 11; Williams, Hills. 4; Hunt, Ches. 11; Transportation)

20-2830

SB 612, relative to road skill examinations for applicants licensed in foreign jurisdictions. (Watters, Dist 4; Ward, Dist 8; Mangipudi, Hills. 35; Sykes, Graf. 13; Steven Smith, Sull. 11; Transportation)

20-2994

SB 613, relative to access to crash data. (Watters, Dist 4; Levesque, Dist 12; Hennessey, Dist 5; Telerski, Hills. 35; Transportation)

20-2996

SB 614, exempting the department of transportation from the notice requirement for lessors of real or personal property owned by the state or its political subdivisions. (Watters, Dist 4; Hennessey, Dist 5; Transportation)

20-2997

SB 615, relative to small unmanned aircraft. (Watters, Dist 4; Gray, Dist 6; Birdsell, Dist 19; Weyler, Rock. 13; Transportation)

20-2849

SB 616, establishing a committee to study the meals and rooms tax distribution formula. (Sherman, Dist 24; Fuller Clark, Dist 21; Kahn, Dist 10; Cali-Pitts, Rock. 30; Bushway, Rock. 21; Cushing, Rock. 21; Edgar, Rock. 21; Loughman, Rock. 21; Ways and Means)

20-3003

SB 617-FN, relative to a voluntary additional charge in the registry of deeds used to support the land and community heritage investment program (LCHIP), and establishing a committee to study the economic impact of land conservation and to review the LCHIP surcharge to the land and community heritage investment program. (Starr, Dist 1; Levesque, Dist 12; Bradley, Dist 3; Ways and Means)

SPECIAL ORDER

Without objection, the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources is special ordered to the end of the regular calendar. Adopted.

ENERGY AND NATURAL RESOURCES

SB 13, relative to limited electrical energy producers and net energy metering.

SB 73, requiring the public utilities commission to quantify and consider environmental and socioeconomic costs in state energy plans of electric utilities.

SB 75, establishing a commission to study the economic impact of national carbon pricing in New Hampshire.

SB 287-FN, requiring the commissioner of the department of environmental services to revise rules relative to perfluorinated chemical contamination in drinking water.

HB 466, relative to the capacity of electricity customer generators for eligibility for net energy metering.

HB 496, establishing a committee to identify the requirements needed to commit New Hampshire to a goal of at least 50 percent renewable energy for electricity by 2040.

HB 568, relative to the New Hampshire energy strategy.

HB 707, relative to settlement money from actions pertaining to the contamination of groundwater or drinking water.

HB 715-FN, relative to electrical energy storage.

SPECIAL ORDER

SB 302-FN will be removed from the Consent Calendar and without objection, is special ordered to Thursday, January 30, 2020. Adopted.

SPECIAL ORDER

Without objection, the following bill is special ordered to Thursday, January 30, 2020. Adopted.

COMMERCE

HB 263, relative to department of health and human services family reunification practices involving convicted sex offenders.

FN REPORT FOR JANUARY 8, 2020

Senator D'Allesandro recommends the waiver of referral to the Finance Committee, Senate Rule 4-5, for the following bills with a fiscal note or an appropriation of funds:

CONSENT CALENDAR:

COMMERCE

HB 717-FN, prohibiting prescription drug manufacturers from offering coupons or discounts to cover insurance copayments or deductibles.

EDUCATION AND WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT

SB 302-FN, relative to suspension and expulsion of pupils.

ELECTION LAW AND MUNICIPAL AFFAIRS

SB 229-FN, relative to audit recounts.

SB 231-FN, promoting truth in political advertising.

HB 479-FN, relative to eligibility for the low and moderate income homeowners property tax relief.

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENTS AND ADMINISTRATION

SB 222-FN, relative to licensure of pharmacy benefits managers.

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HB 487-FN, establishing a registry for the deaf, hard of hearing, and deaf/blind in the department of health and human services.

HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

SB 319-FN, requiring automated external defibrillators in health clubs.

REGULAR CALENDAR:**COMMERCE**

SB 227-FN, relative to multiple-employer welfare arrangements.

SB 248-FN, increasing the age for sales and possession of tobacco products.

HB 186, establishing a state minimum wage and providing for adjustments to the minimum wage.

HB 253, relative to criminal records checks in the employee application process.

HB 536-FN, adding biometric information to the consumer protection act.

HB 703-FN, relative to providing notice of the introduction of new high-cost prescription drugs.

ELECTION LAW AND MUNICIPAL AFFAIRS

SB 304-FN-A, relative to campaign contributions and expenditures, and making an appropriation therefor.

ENERGY AND NATURAL RESOURCES

HB 568, relative to the New Hampshire energy strategy.

HB 715-FN, relative to electrical energy storage.

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENTS AND ADMINISTRATION

HB 150-FN, relative to statements of financial interests filed by state officials.

HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

SB 181-FN, requiring monitoring of certain radioactive air pollutants.

JUDICIARY

SB 89-FN, relative to the penalties for violation of privacy.

SB 90-FN, relative to certain disclosures by health care provider facilities.

SB 295-FN, relative to the office of the child advocate.

SB 312-FN, relative to medical monitoring for exposure to toxic substances.

SB 315-FN, relative to claims against the state.

SB 316-FN, relative to the protection of personal information.

HB 481-FN-A-L, relative to the legalization and regulation of cannabis and making appropriations therefor.

TRANSPORTATION

HB 397-FN, relative to drivers' licenses for New Hampshire residents who do not possess a social security card.

WAYS AND MEANS

SB 244-FN, relative to taxes applicable to certain real estate investment trusts.

Senator D'Allesandro recommends the following bills be ordered to the Finance Committee upon being found Ought to Pass/Ought to Pass with Amendment:

CONSENT CALENDAR:**ELECTION LAW AND MUNICIPAL AFFAIRS**

SB 305-FN, relative to voter registrations accepted by other state agencies.

REGULAR CALENDAR:

ENERGY AND NATURAL RESOURCES

SB 287-FN, requiring the commissioner of the department of environmental services to revise rules relative to perfluorinated chemical contamination in drinking water—if Interim Study recommendation is overturned.

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENTS AND ADMINISTRATION

HB 121-FN, relative to the regulation of massage, reflexology, structural integrator and Asian bodywork therapy establishments—if Inexpedient to Legislate recommendation is overturned.

WAYS AND MEANS

SB 95-FN, establishing a working families property tax refund program—if Inexpedient to Legislate recommendation is overturned.

SB 223-FN, increasing the minimum gross business income required for filing a business profits tax return.

Without objection, the FN Report is adopted.

CONSENT CALENDAR REPORTS REMOVED

HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

HB 490, by Senator Bradley

CONSENT CALENDAR

Senator Feltes moved that the Consent Calendar, with the relevant amendments as printed in the day's Calendar be adopted and that all such bills found Ought-to-Pass be ordered as follows:

FN bills not waived under Senate Rule 4-5, to the Committee on Finance; non-FN bills approved for referral to Finance by the day's FN report, to the Committee on Finance; and all other bills, to Third Reading.

COMMERCE

SB 42, declaring Old Hampshire Applejack the state spirit of New Hampshire.

Inexpedient to Legislate, Vote 5-0. Senator French for the committee.

This bill would have designated Tamworth Distilling's Old New Hampshire Applejack as the state spirit.

Unlike other state symbols, this spirit would be promoting a trademarked brand. Further, this bill would not recognize other spirit makers and distilleries throughout the state who may produce a similar product.

SB 60, relative to advance notice to hourly employees of work schedules.

Interim Study, Vote 5-0. Senator Soucy for the committee.

This bill sought to require employers with more than fifteen employees to provide two weeks of advanced notice for work schedules. Some stakeholders raised concerns about meeting this requirement due to staff shortages and the unpredictable nature of their industries. The committee believes that more work needs to be done to address the technical concerns raised at and since the hearing.

SB 61, permitting private enforcement of the rights of construction and labor industry employees.

Interim Study, Vote 5-0. Senator Cavanaugh for the committee.

This bill would create a legal mechanism for employer or industry organizations to recover workers' compensation insurance premiums. This remedy has the potential to add funds into the New Hampshire general fund as well as to level the playing field for New Hampshire businesses. The committee found that this bill requires further study regarding its implementation and applicability in New Hampshire.

HB 233, relative to the group and individual health insurance market.

Interim Study, Vote 5-0. Senator French for the committee.

This bill sought to establish the provisions of the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act of 2009. It also contains similar language to SB4, which was signed into law by the governor; however, it is not as comprehensive. Since SB4 encompasses the aspects of this bill and includes more detailed language, the committee recommends a motion of interim study.

HB 272, relative to temporary workers.

Interim Study, Vote 5-0. Senator Morgan for the committee.

This bill sought to provide temporary workers with detailed information relating to their work assignment. The committee recommends a motion of interim study because there needs to be further input from those affected, primarily the agencies and temporary workers.

HB 717-FN, prohibiting prescription drug manufacturers from offering coupons or discounts to cover insurance copayments or deductibles.

Inexpedient to Legislature, Vote 5-0. Senator Morse for the committee.

This bill sought to prohibit manufacturers from offering discounts or coupons in order to lower premium costs. While that is an important effort, many individuals and families rely on manufacturer discounts or coupons to alleviate the burden of high prescription copayments or deductibles. Additionally, this legislation does not provide a safety net for individuals who may not be able to afford expensive prescription medication.

ELECTION LAW AND MUNICIPAL AFFAIRS

SB 46, relative to qualifications of the inspectors of election.

Inexpedient to Legislature, Vote 5-0. Senator Morgan for the committee.

This bill would have required that inspectors of election be registered to vote in the city or town where they serve. The committee felt that this would reduce the number of volunteers able to serve and is not necessary at this time.

SB 69, relative to short-term rentals.

Inexpedient to Legislature, Vote 5-0. Senator Birdsell for the committee.

The committee found that the bill requires additional study. This will enable the prime sponsor and affected stakeholders to reach a comprehensive compromise.

SB 152, relative to third party inspections conducted pursuant to a planning board approval.

Ought to Pass with Amendment, Vote 5-0. Senator Birdsell for the committee.

This bill as amended will require planning boards to develop a scope for any third-party inspections that are done during a construction project. In the absence of a third-party inspection, the planning board may require the applicant to provide certification stating that the project was built in accordance with the plans that were approved. This will provide protections from unforeseen financial burdens for the applicant as well as the contractors, while maintaining local control for the planning boards.

Election Law and Municipal Affairs

December 4, 2019

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Amendment to SB 152

Amend the bill by replacing section 1 with the following:

1 Administrative and Enforcement Procedures; Planning Board; Third Party Review and Inspection. Amend RSA 676:4-b, II to read as follows:

II. A planning board approval of a subdivision plat, site plan, or other land use application may require the applicant to reimburse the board for expenses reasonably incurred by obtaining third party inspection during the construction process. ***A planning board that requires third party inspection during the construction process shall, as part of the inspection process, develop a scope for the project inspection in consultation with the applicant. Alternatively, a planning board approval of a subdivision plat, site plan, or other land use application may ask the applicant to provide a signed certification from the site plan designer in lieu of the third party inspection, stating the project was built in accordance with the plans approved by the planning board. Should the planning board select this option, the site plan designer shall be a New Hampshire licensed professional engineer and the planning board may require that the certification be based on inspections at specified stages during the construction process.***

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AMENDED ANALYSIS

This bill requires that planning boards that mandate third party inspection during construction processes develop a scope for the inspection or, alternatively, ask the applicant to provide signed certification from the site plan designer stating the project was built in accordance with the plans approved by the planning board.

SB 157, making undeclared voters eligible to be inspectors.
Interim Study, Vote 5-0. Senator Levesque for the committee.

This bill would have permitted any inspector of election appointed be in equal numbers from both political parties and from undeclared voters. The committee determined that this legislation is significant and therefore needs more research to be certain election laws stay consistent.

SB 158, relative to town and city membership in a nonprofit, nonpartisan organization and prohibiting recipients of municipal or county funds from using such funds for lobbying.
Inexpedient to Legislate, Vote 5-0. Senator Levesque for the committee.

This bill would provide oversight to a municipality's lobbying activities. While the legislation has merit, the committee agreed that there would be unintended consequences that would negatively impact municipal efforts to be engaged in laws that will affect them.

SB 229-FN, relative to audit recounts.
Ought to Pass with Amendment, Vote 5-0. Senator Levesque for the committee.

This bill as amended will establish a committee to study the value of conducting post-election audits in New Hampshire. The committee found that having post-election audits may increase voter confidence and provide necessary checks and balances to the system.

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December 17, 2019
2019-2895s
06/08

Amendment to SB 229-FN

Amend the title of the bill by replacing it with the following:

AN ACT establishing a committee to study the value of conducting post-election audits in New Hampshire.

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

1 Committee Established. There is established a committee to study the value of conducting post-election audits in New Hampshire.

2 Membership and Compensation.

I. The members of the committee shall be as follows:

(a) Two members of the senate, appointed by the president of the senate.

(b) Five members of the house of representatives, appointed by the speaker of the house of representatives.

II. Members of the committee shall receive mileage at the legislative rate when attending to the duties of the committee.

3 Duties. The committee shall:

I. Determine reasons for conducting post-election audits;

II. Study how post-election audits are conducted;

III. Compare audits conducted by moderators to audits conducted by the secretary of state;

IV. Make a recommendation for or against conducting post-election audits in New Hampshire.

4 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 senate 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.

5 Report. The committee shall report its findings and any recommendations for proposed legislation to the president of the senate, the speaker of the house of representatives, the senate clerk, the house clerk, the governor, and the state library on or before November 1, 2020.

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

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AMENDED ANALYSIS

This bill establishes a committee to study the value of conducting post-election audits in New Hampshire.

SB 231-FN, promoting truth in political advertising.

Ought to Pass with Amendment, Vote 5-0. Senator Morgan for the committee.

This bill as amended will establish a committee to study truth in political advertising. In recent years, evidence has shown candidates in all parties have been the target of false advertising during elections. The duties of this committee will be to study ways to promote truth in political advertising and how best to investigate and address allegations of false political advertising in state elections.

Election Law and Municipal Affairs

December 5, 2019

2019-2889s

05/04

Amendment to SB 231-FN

Amend the title of the bill by replacing it with the following:

AN ACT establishing a committee to study truth in political advertising.

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

1 Committee Established. There is established a committee to study truth in political advertising.

2 Membership and Compensation.

I. The members of the committee shall be as follows:

(a) One member of the senate, appointed by the president of the senate.

(b) Four members of the house of representatives, appointed by the speaker of the house of representatives.

II. Members of the committee shall receive mileage at the legislative rate when attending to the duties of the committee.

3 Duties. The committee shall study ways to promote truth in political advertising and how best to investigate and address allegations of false political advertising in state elections. The committee shall solicit information and testimony from any individual or entity the committee deems relevant to the study.

4 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 senate member. The first meeting of the committee shall be held within 45 days of the effective date of this section. Three members of the committee shall constitute a quorum.

5 Report. The committee shall report its findings and any recommendations for proposed legislation to the president of the senate, the speaker of the house of representatives, the senate clerk, the house clerk, the governor, and the state library on or before November 1, 2020.

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

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AMENDED ANALYSIS

This bill establishes a committee to study truth in political advertising.

SB 305-FN, relative to voter registrations accepted by other state agencies.

Ought to Pass with Amendment, Vote 5-0. Senator Gray for the committee.

This bill as amended will allow the secretary of state to develop an online portal which will allow citizens to, complete a new voter application, request an absentee ballot, or request changes to the state's voter database such as name, domicile address, mailing address, and party affiliation. This will help to modernize those application processes and streamline the voting process.

Election Law and Municipal Affairs
 December 6, 2019
 2019-2890s
 11/04

Amendment to SB 305-FN

Amend the title of the bill by replacing it with the following:

AN ACT relative to the establishment of an election information portal.

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

1 Purpose. It is the intent of the legislature to modernize the application processes for new voter registration, requesting absentee ballots, and requesting changes to name, domicile, and party affiliation in the statewide voter database.

2 New Subdivision; Election Information Portal. Amend RSA 652 by inserting after section 27 the following new subdivision:

Election Information Portal

652:28 Election Information Portal.

I. The secretary of state is hereby authorized to develop, in consultation with the department of information technology, the department of safety, division of motor vehicles, and city and town clerks and supervisors of the checklist, an online election information portal which citizens may use to:

(a) Complete a new voter application.

(b) Request an absentee ballot.

(c) Request changes to the statewide centralized voter registration database, such as name, domicile address, mailing address, and party affiliation.

II. Voters electing to use the portal shall provide the same information and pursuant to the same time frames as outlined in statutes related to voter registration and maintenance of the statewide centralized voter registration database, including RSA 654:7, RSA 654:8, RSA 654:16 through RSA 654:19, and RSA 654:34, except that the information may be provided in a format the secretary of state deems suitable for electronic submission. Any information submitted to the portal shall be handled in a manner consistent with relevant voter and election laws, including RSA 654, and shall be retrievable and printable at any time including during the processing of the information. In addition, nonpublic data related to individual voter data shall remain confidential.

III. The secretary of state shall not implement any election information portal established pursuant to this section, such that the public can access or otherwise utilize such portal, until January 1, 2021.

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

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AMENDED ANALYSIS

This bill authorizes the secretary of state to develop an election information portal.

HB 130-L, relative to property tax relief for totally and permanently disabled veterans.
 Ought to Pass, Vote 5-0. Senator Birdsell for the committee.

This bill provides that a veteran who is 100 percent permanently and totally disabled be eligible for the property tax exemption under RSA 72:36-a. This will align New Hampshire with federal regulations governing total and permanent disability ratings and un-employability.

HB 303, relative to certification of building code compliance inspectors.
 Inexpedient to Legislate, Vote 5-0. Senator Sherman for the committee.

The committee received testimony from the Prime Sponsor that unintended consequences resulting from this bill need to be addressed. Although the original intent of the legislation is important, there is more study to be done to come up with language that will benefit all involved.

HB 381, repealing requirements for transfer of appropriations in Carroll county.
Inexpedient to Legislate, Vote 5-0. Senator Birdsell for the committee.

The bill would have repealed the procedures for transfers of departmental appropriations in Carroll county. The committee feels that more time is needed to see if the rules in statute already are effective or not before they are repealed.

HB 384, relative to access to historic burial sites on state-owned land.
Inexpedient to Legislate, Vote 5-0. Senator Sherman for the committee.

The committee found that the bill is only applicable to one case known statewide. Additionally, private remedies have been made by the Wiggins' to maintain public access to their ancestral burial lands. Those remedies included establishing a nonprofit corporation and obtaining a five-year land use permit from NH Fish and Game.

HB 479-FN, relative to eligibility for the low and moderate income homeowners property tax relief.
Interim Study, Vote 5-0. Senator Morgan for the committee.

This bill will increase the income and property value criteria for claimants of the low- and moderate-income homeowners property tax relief against statewide education property taxes. Understanding that the tax credit will come out of the Education Trust Fund, the Committee agreed that additional research should be done to ensure school funding is covered.

HB 556, allowing municipalities to process absentee ballots prior to election day.
Interim Study, Vote 5-0. Senator Sherman for the committee.

This bill would permit municipalities to process, but not count, absentee ballots prior to election day. The committee found that this legislation would represent significant change from current New Hampshire election laws and determined that additional time is needed to research the issue.

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENTS AND ADMINISTRATION

SB 113, relative to municipal authority regarding the state building code.
Ought to Pass with Amendment, Vote 5-0. Senator Carson for the committee.

This bill requires the Building Code Review Board to review any changes to municipal building codes before such changes are enforced. The Committee Amendment implements a mechanism to ensure that the proposed changes go before the BCRB before they would be presented to the legislative body of the municipality. The intent of this bill is to create an avenue for discussion between the BCRB and local code enforcement officers and fight the spread of patchwork building code regulations across the state which has created impediments to businesses trying to operate in multiple municipalities.

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December 17, 2019
2019-2896s
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Amendment to SB 113

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

1 Duties of the State Fire Marshal; Approval of Local Amendments. Amend RSA 153:4-a, I to read as follows:

I. The state fire marshal shall have the power to approve, disapprove, or allow exceptions to any fire safety rule of any state agency except fire safety rules established under RSA 227-L. The state fire marshal shall be responsible for supervising and enforcing all laws of the state relative to the protection of life and property from fire, fire hazards and related matters, and for certifying private firefighting units. The state fire marshal shall also **review and approve any local code, bylaw, or ordinance relative to fire safety prior to its adoption and enforcement by the municipality. The state fire marshal shall** assist the several counties, cities, towns, village districts, and precincts in supervising and enforcing local laws, bylaws, and ordinances where existent, relative to (a) the prevention of fires; (b) the storage, sale and use of combustibles; (c) the installation and maintenance of automatic or other fire alarm systems and fire extinguishing equipment; (d) the construction, maintenance, and regulation of fire escapes; (e) the means and adequacy of exit, in case of fire, from factories, asylums, hotels, hospitals, churches, schools, halls, theaters, amphitheaters, nursing and convalescent homes, and all other places in which numbers of persons work, live or congregate from time to time for any purpose; (f) the investigation of the cause, origin, and circumstances of fires; and (g) the transportation, storage, and physical handling of flammable liquids and gases which he believes dangerous to the lives or safety of the citizens of the state.

2 New Paragraph; Duties of the State Fire Marshal; Local Amendments to the State Fire Code. Amend RSA 153:4-a by inserting after paragraph IV the following new paragraph:

V. The state fire marshal, in consultation with the state advisory board of fire control, shall review and approve any local code, bylaw, or ordinance relative to fire safety prior to its adoption and enforcement by the municipality. The fire marshal may limit approval to the submitting municipality or the fire marshal may permit its adoption and enforcement on a statewide basis. A local fire safety code, bylaw, or ordinance approved on a statewide basis may be subsequently adopted and enforced by municipalities upon notice to the fire marshal of its adoption. The fire marshal, with the assistance of the state advisory board of fire control, shall maintain and publish a catalog of all municipal fire safety codes, bylaws, and ordinances.

3 State Fire Code; Rules. Amend RSA 153:5, V to read as follows:

V. The state fire marshal, and the local fire chief, in accordance with RSA 154:2, shall use the state fire code, including rules adopted under paragraph I, and any local codes adopted in accordance with ***RSA 153:4-a and*** RSA 47:22 or RSA 155-A:3, for the purposes of new construction, additions, and alterations. It is the intent of the legislature to avoid conflicts in the adoption and application of the state building code and the state fire code.

4 New Paragraph; New Hampshire Building Code; Local Amendment; Approval By Building Code Review Board or State Fire Marshal Required. Amend RSA 155-A:3 by inserting after paragraph IV the following new paragraph:

V. The municipality shall not adopt or enforce a local ordinance or regulation amending the state building code or state fire code unless approved by the state building code review board pursuant to RSA 155-A:10, IV-a relative to the state building code or the state fire marshal pursuant to RSA 153:4-a, V relative to the state fire code.

5 Enforcement Authority; Building Code Violation; Fee to Appeal Decision of Local Enforcement Agency Prohibited. Amend RSA 155-A:7, IV to read as follows:

IV. All local enforcement agencies and selectmen and the state fire marshal in those communities without a local enforcement agency shall provide information on the local and state appeals process when issuing a building permit or notice of violation. ***No fee shall be required to appeal a notice of violation or other decision of a code compliance officer.***

6 New Paragraph; State Building Code Review Board; Approval of Local Amendments. Amend RSA 155-A:10 by inserting after paragraph IV the following new paragraph:

IV-a. Any local ordinance or regulation that amends the state building code shall be approved by the board prior to its adoption and enforcement by the municipality. The board may limit its approval to the municipality submitting the amendment or the board may issue approval on a statewide basis. Any amendment approved on a statewide basis may be subsequently adopted and enforced by municipalities upon notice to the board of adoption.

7 State Building Code Review Board; List of Municipal Amendments to Building Code and Fire Code. Amend RSA 155-A:10, V to read as follows:

V. The board shall maintain a publicly accessible list of applicable building codes and amendments to such codes. Amendments proposed by municipalities shall be listed, with specific applicability if not statewide. ***The board shall also maintain a publicly accessible copy of the state fire code, with a list of municipal amendments thereto.***

8 Local Land Use Planning and Regulatory Powers; Power to Amend State Building Code and Establish Enforcement Procedures. Amend RSA 674:51, I and II to read as follows:

I. The local legislative body may enact as an ordinance or adopt, pursuant to the procedures of RSA 675:2-4, additional provisions of the state building code for the construction, remodeling, and maintenance of all buildings and structures in the municipality, provided that ***prior to its adoption and enforcement, the local ordinance or regulation is approved by the state building code review board and*** such additional regulations are not less stringent than the requirements of the state building code. The local legislative body may also enact a process for the enforcement of the state building code and any additional regulations thereto; ~~and the provisions of a nationally recognized code that are not included in and are not inconsistent with the state building code~~. Any local enforcement process adopted prior to the effective date of this paragraph shall remain in effect unless it conflicts with the state building code or is amended or repealed by the municipality.

II. Any such ordinance adopted under paragraph I by a local legislative body shall be submitted to the state building code review board for ~~[informational purposes]~~ ***approval prior to its adoption and enforcement.***

9 Powers of Building Code Board of Appeals. Amend RSA 674:34 to read as follows:

674:34 Powers of Building Code Board of Appeals. The building code board of appeals shall hear and decide appeals of orders, decisions, or determinations made by the building official or fire official relative to the application and interpretation of the state building code or state fire code as defined in RSA 155-A:1. An application for appeal shall be based on a claim that the true intent of the code or the rules adopted thereunder have been incorrectly interpreted, the provisions of the code do not fully apply, or an equally good or better form of construction is proposed. ***No fee shall be required to file an appeal under this section.*** The board shall have no authority to waive requirements of the state building code or the state fire code.

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

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AMENDED ANALYSIS

This bill:

I. Requires the building code review board to approve local amendments to the state building code prior to their adoption and enforcement and requires the board to maintain and publish a catalog of local amendments to the state building code and state fire code.

II. Requires the fire marshal to approve local amendments to the state fire code prior to their adoption and enforcement and requires the fire marshal, with the assistance of the board of fire control, to maintain and publish a catalog of local fire safety codes and ordinances.

III. Prohibits municipalities from imposing a fee to appeal the decision of a code compliance official.

SB 222-FN, relative to licensure of pharmacy benefits managers.
Inexpedient to Legislate, Vote 5-0. Senator Rosenwald for the committee.

This bill is very similar to SB 226-FN (2019) which was passed and signed into law this summer. While there is, therefore, no need to pass SB 222-FN, the Committee is aware that further legislation on the subject of pharmacy benefits managers will be forthcoming during this session.

SB 256-FN, relative to emergency generators in certain senior housing.
Interim Study, Vote 5-0. Senator Chandley for the committee.

This bill would require certain senior housing facilities to have and maintain emergency generators. While the intent of the bill is completely reasonable, the Committee heard that current regulation may be sufficient. In order to avoid redundancy, the Committee recommends Interim Study to conduct additional research.

SB 288-FN, relative to privatization contracts by state agencies.
Inexpedient to Legislate, Vote 5-0. Senator Cavanaugh for the committee.

This bill would require state agencies to consider using people already employed by the State rather than contracting out to private companies. There is already a Statutory Committee on State Procurement that considers such proposals and the Committee feels that it is best to leave such decisions up to the Committee on State Procurement.

HB 487-FN, establishing a registry for the deaf, hard of hearing, and deaf/blind in the department of health and human services.
Interim Study, Vote 5-0. Senator Chandley for the committee.

This bill would establish a registry of persons who are deaf, hard of hearing or deaf/blind in the Department of Health and Human Services and would grant rulemaking authority to the Commissioner of the Department for the purposes of the bill. There were several concerns raised about the registry. The Committee believes that a vote of Interim Study will allow legislators, members of the Department of Health and Human Services, and other stakeholders to address the aforementioned concerns.

HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

SB 179, relative to pharmacist administration of vaccines.

Inexpedient to Legislate, Vote 5-0. Senator Chandley for the committee.

This bill modifies the authority for pharmacists and pharmacy interns to administer vaccinations to include all vaccines listed in the recommended adult immunization schedule by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. While members of the committee saw merit in this, there was agreement that it would be prudent to delay implementation until the New Hampshire Vaccine Registry is sufficiently operational. For this reason, the committee recommends this bill be found inexpedient to legislate.

SB 319-FN, requiring automated external defibrillators in health clubs.

Ought to Pass with Amendment, Vote 5-0. Senator Bradley for the committee.

This bill requires automated external defibrillators in health clubs. The committee amendment expands the list of organizations/facilities that are required to have external defibrillators.

Health and Human Services

November 13, 2019

2019-2862s

08/05

Amendment to SB 319-FN

Amend the title of the bill by replacing it with the following:

AN ACT requiring automated external defibrillators in certain facilities promoting health and wellness through a paid program of intended physical activity.

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

1 New Chapter; Public Access to Defibrillation in Facilities Promoting Health and Wellness. Amend RSA by inserting after chapter 137-L the following new chapter:

CHAPTER 137-M PUBLIC ACCESS TO DEFIBRILLATION IN FACILITIES PROMOTING HEALTH AND WELLNESS

137-M:1 Purpose and Policy.

I. The use of automated external defibrillators (AEDs) addresses an important public health problem in New Hampshire. It is the intent of the legislature to encourage the use and availability of automated external defibrillators, along with training in the use of AEDs, for the purpose of saving the lives of people in cardiac arrest.

II. This act requires all paid programs of intended physical activity to acquire and have on its premises at least one automated external defibrillator (AED) during the hours of operation, to be placed in a decidedly visible and accessible location for both the general public and staff to use in the event it is needed.

III. This act applies to all health clubs, fitness centers, fitness studios, indoor and outdoor sport centers including for-profit and non-profit organizations or proprietors that instruct and offer physical activities for compensation in one form or another.

137-M:2 Definitions. In this chapter:

I. "Facility" means a health club, fitness center, fitness studio, indoor or outdoor sports centers, hotel or motel fitness center.

II. "Fitness center" means an establishment which offers membership to utilize its fitness equipment and facilities in both a supervised and unsupervised environment.

III. "Fitness studio" means an establishment which offers structured physical activity and programming or fitness/personal training.

IV. "Health club" means an establishment which provides services or facilities which purport to improve or maintain the user's physical condition or appearance through weight control, exercise, dieting, or a combination of these. "Health club" includes, but is not limited to, establishments referred to by such terms as reducing salon, spa, exercise club, exercise gym, health studio, health club, weight control center, martial arts studio and any other commercial or non-profit establishment offering a similar course of physical training.

V. "Hotel or motel" means an establishment which holds itself out to the public by offering sleeping accommodations for rent, whether or not the major portion of its operating receipts is derived from sleeping accommodations, and sells memberships to individuals who are not guests of the hotel or motel for use of their facility, equipment, swimming pool, etc.

VI. "Indoor or outdoor sports centers" mean athletic fields, swimming pools or sports courts are rented to the general public or to sports organizations for a period of time or where owners or sports organizations conduct playing or training time.

VII. "Paid program of physical activity" means all venues, institutions and facilities, for-profit and non-profit, which receive monetary or other forms of compensation from participants.

137-M:3 Administration.

I. Each facility shall maintain on its premises at least one AED, deployed in such a manner that provides obvious and ready accessibility to customers, clients, staff, members, and guests.

II. Absent a showing of gross negligence or willful or wanton misconduct, no cause of action against a health club or facility owner of an AED or an employee of such health club or facility may arise in connection with the use or nonuse of a defibrillator.

III. Persons who acquire AEDs as required by this section, shall comply with regular maintenance and testing of the device according to the guidelines published by the AED manufacturer.

2 Effective Date. This act shall take effect July 1, 2021.

2019-2862s

AMENDED ANALYSIS

This bill requires all paid programs of intended physical activity to acquire and have on its premises at least one automated external defibrillator during the hours of operation to be placed in a decidedly visible and accessible location for both the general public and staff to use in the event it is needed.

The question is on the adoption of the Consent Calendar. Adopted.

REGULAR CALENDAR

COMMERCE

SB 227-FN, relative to multiple-employer welfare arrangements.
Inexpedient to Legislature, Vote 3-2. Senator Cavanaugh for the committee.

The question is on the adoption of the motion of Inexpedient to Legislature.

A roll call was requested by Senator Bradley, seconded by Senator Giuda.

The following Senators voted Yes: Watters, Hennessey, Dietsch, Kahn, Chandley, Levesque, Rosenwald, Feltes, Cavanaugh, D'Allesandro, Morgan, Sherman, Soucy.

The following Senators voted No: Starr, Giuda, Bradley, Gray, French, Ward, Carson, Reagan, Birdsell, Morse.

The following Senators were excused: Fuller Clark.

Roll Call, Yeas: 13 - Nays: 10. Adopted.

SB 248-FN, increasing the age for sales and possession of tobacco products.
Ought to Pass, Vote 3-2. Senator Morgan for the committee.

Senator Watters offered a Floor Amendment.

Sen. Watters, Dist 4
January 7, 2020
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Floor Amendment to SB 248-FN

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

1 Access to and Use of Tobacco Products; Purpose. Amend RSA 126-K:1 to read as follows:

126-K:1 Purpose. The purpose of this chapter is to protect the citizens of New Hampshire from the possibility of addiction, disability, and death resulting from the use of tobacco products by ensuring that tobacco products will not be supplied to persons under the age of [19] **21**.

2 Access to and Use of Tobacco Products; Definitions. Amend RSA 126-K:2, XI to read as follows:

XI. "Tobacco product" means any product containing tobacco including, but not limited to, cigarettes, smoking tobacco, cigars, chewing tobacco, snuff, pipe tobacco, smokeless tobacco, and smokeless cigarettes. ***"Tobacco product" shall not include drugs, devices, or combination products authorized for sale by the United States Food and Drug Administration, as those terms are defined in the federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act.***

3 Access to and Use of Tobacco Products; Proof of Age of Purchaser. Amend the introductory paragraph of RSA 126-K:3, I to read as follows:

I. For the purposes of this chapter, any person responsible for monitoring sales from a tobacco vending machine or any person making the sale of tobacco products, e-cigarettes, or liquid nicotine which vending machine or other sale is to be made to any person who does not appear to be at least [19] **21** years of age, shall require the purchaser to furnish any of the following documentation that such person is [19] **21** years of age or over:

4 Access to and Use of Tobacco Products; Proof of Age of Purchaser. Amend RSA 126-K:3, III to read as follows:

III. The establishment of all of the following facts by a person responsible for monitoring sales from a vending machine or a person or sampler making a sale or distribution of tobacco products, e-cigarettes, or liquid nicotine to a person under [19] **21** years of age shall constitute prima facie evidence of innocence and a defense to any prosecution for such sale:

(a) That the person falsely represented in writing and supported by some official documents that the person was [19] **21** years of age or older;

(b) That the appearance of the person was such that an ordinary and prudent person would believe such person to be at least [19] **21** years of age or older; and

(c) That the sale was made in good faith relying on such written representation and appearance in the reasonable belief that the person was actually [19] **21** years of age or over.

5 Access to and Use of Tobacco Products; Sale and Distribution. Amend the section heading and paragraph I of RSA 126-K:4 to read as follows:

126-K:4 Sale and Distribution of Tobacco Products, E-cigarettes, or Liquid Nicotine to Persons Who Have Not Attained [19] **21** years of Age Prohibited.

I. No person shall sell, give, or furnish or cause or allow or procure to be sold, given, or furnished tobacco products, e-cigarettes, or liquid nicotine to a person who has not attained [19] **21** years of age. The prohibition established by this paragraph shall not be deemed to prohibit persons who have not attained [19] **21** years of age employed by any manufacturer, wholesaler, sub-jobber, vending machine operator, sampler, or retailer from performing the necessary handling of tobacco products, e-cigarettes, or liquid nicotine during the duration of their employment.

6 Access to and Use of Tobacco Products; Rolling Papers. Amend RSA 126-K:4-a, II to read as follows:

126-K:4-a Rolling Papers.

II. No person under [19] **21** years of age shall purchase, possess, or use any rolling paper. Any person who violates this section shall be guilty of a violation and shall be punished by a fine not to exceed \$100 for each offense.

7 Access and Use of Tobacco Products; Distribution of Free Samples. Amend RSA 126-K:5, I and II to read as follows:

I. No person may distribute or offer to distribute samples of tobacco products, e-cigarettes, or liquid nicotine in a public place or to a person who has not attained [19] **21** years of age. This prohibition shall not apply to sampling:

(a) In an area to which minors are denied access.

(b) In a store to which a retailer's license has been issued.

(c) At factory sites, construction sites, conventions, trade shows, fairs, or motorsport facilities in areas to which minors are denied access.

II. The commission shall adopt rules, pursuant to RSA 541-A, concerning the distribution of free samples of tobacco products, e-cigarettes, or liquid nicotine to prevent their distribution to persons who have not attained [19] **21** years of age.

8 Access to and Use of Tobacco Products; Possession and Use of Tobacco Products, E-Cigarettes, or Liquid Nicotine. Amend RSA 126-K:6 to read as follows:

126-K:6 Possession and Use of Tobacco Products, E-cigarettes, or Liquid Nicotine by Persons Who Have Not Attained [19] **21** years of age.

I. No person under [19] **21** years of age shall purchase, attempt to purchase, possess, or use any tobacco product, e-cigarette, or liquid nicotine.

II. The prohibition on possession of tobacco products, e-cigarettes, or liquid nicotine shall not be deemed to prohibit minors employed by any manufacturer, wholesaler, sub-jobber, vending machine operator, sampler, or retailer from performing the necessary handling of tobacco products, e-cigarettes, or liquid nicotine during the duration of their employment.

III. A person who has not attained [19] **21** years of age shall not misrepresent his or her age for the purpose of purchasing tobacco products.

IV. Notwithstanding RSA 169-B and RSA 169-D, a person 12 years of age and older who violates this section shall not be considered a delinquent or a child in need of services.

V. Any person who has not attained [19] **21** years of age who violates this section may be guilty of a violation and shall be punished by a fine not to exceed \$100 for each offense or shall be required to complete up to 20 hours of community service for each offense, or both. Where available, punishment may also include participation in an education program.

9 Access to and Use of Tobacco Products; Special Provisions. Amend RSA 126-K:8, I(a) to read as follows:

I.(a) No person shall sell, give, or furnish tobacco products, e-cigarettes, or liquid nicotine to a person who has not attained [19] **21** years of age who has a note from an adult requesting such sale, gift, or delivery. Tobacco products, e-cigarettes, or liquid nicotine shall only be delivered to a person who provides an identification as enumerated in RSA 126-K:3 establishing that the person has attained [19] **21** years of age.

10 Delinquent Children; Limitations of Authority Conferred. Amend RSA 169-B:32 to read as follows:

169-B:32 Limitations of Authority Conferred. This chapter shall not be construed as applying to persons 16 years of age or over who are charged with the violation of a motor vehicle law, an aeronautics law, a law relating to navigation or boats, a fish and game law, a law relating to title XIII, a law relating to fireworks under RSA 160-B or RSA 160-C, any town or municipal ordinance which provides for a penalty not exceeding \$100 plus the penalty assessment, and shall not be construed as applying to any minor charged with the violation of any law relating to the possession, sale, or distribution of tobacco products to or by a person under [19] **21** years of age. However, if incarceration takes place at any stage in proceedings on such violations, incarceration shall be only in a juvenile facility certified by the commissioner of the department of health and human services.

11 Children in Need of Services; Limitations of Authority Conferred. Amend RSA 169-D:22 to read as follows:

169-D:22 Limitations of Authority Conferred. This chapter shall not be construed as applying to persons 16 years of age or over who are charged with the violation of a motor vehicle law, an aeronautics law, a law relating to navigation of boats, a fish and game law, a law relating to title XIII, or a law relating to fireworks under RSA 160-B or RSA 160-C, and shall not be construed as applying to any minor charged with the violation of any law relating to the possession, sale, or distribution of tobacco products to or by a person under [19] **21** years of age.

12 Retail Tobacco License. Amend RSA 178:19-a, III to read as follows:

III. The commission, when issuing or renewing a retail tobacco license, shall furnish a sign which shall read or be substantially similar to the following: "State Law prohibits the sale of tobacco products or e-cigarettes to persons under age [19] **21**. Warning: violators of these provisions may be subject to a fine."

13 Cigar Bars. Amend RSA 178:20-a, II(c) to read as follows:

(c) Does not allow any person under the age of [19] **21** on the premises unless accompanied by a parent, legal guardian, or adult spouse.

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

The question is on the adoption of the Floor Amendment.

A roll call was requested by Senator Watters, seconded by Senator Feltes.

The following Senators voted Yes: Bradley, Watters, Hennessey, Dietsch, Kahn, Chandley, Levesque, Rosenwald, Feltes, Cavanaugh, Reagan, D'Allesandro, Morgan, Sherman, Soucy.

The following Senators voted No: Starr, Giuda, Gray, French, Ward, Carson, Birdsell, Morse.

The following Senators were excused: Fuller Clark.

Roll Call, Yeas: 15 - Nays: 8. Adopted.

The question is on the adoption of the motion of Ought to Pass with Amendment.

A roll call was requested by Senator Watters, seconded by Senator Feltes.

The following Senators voted Yes: Bradley, Watters, Hennessey, Dietsch, Kahn, Chandley, Levesque, Rosenwald, Feltes, Cavanaugh, Reagan, D'Allesandro, Morgan, Sherman, Soucy.

The following Senators voted No: Starr, Giuda, Gray, French, Ward, Carson, Birdsell, Morse.

The following Senators were excused: Fuller Clark.

Roll Call, Yeas: 15 - Nays: 8. Adopted, bill ordered to Third Reading.

HB 186, establishing a state minimum wage and providing for adjustments to the minimum wage. Interim Study, Vote 4-1. Senator Cavanaugh for the committee.

The question is on the adoption of the motion of Interim Study. Adopted.

HB 253, relative to criminal records checks in the employee application process. Interim Study, Vote 5-0. Senator French for the committee.

SPECIAL ORDER

Without objection, Senator French moved to special order HB 253 to Thursday, January 30, 2020. Adopted.

HB 348, relative to procedures for condominiums with 25 or fewer residential units. Ought to Pass, Vote 4-1. Senator Cavanaugh for the committee.

The question is on the adoption of the motion of Ought to Pass. Adopted, bill ordered to Third Reading.

HB 536-FN, adding biometric information to the consumer protection act. Interim Study, Vote 4-1. Senator Morgan for the committee.

The question is on the adoption of the motion of Interim Study. Adopted.

HB 703-FN, relative to providing notice of the introduction of new high-cost prescription drugs. Ought to Pass, Vote 3-2. Senator Morgan for the committee.

The question is on the adoption of the motion of Ought to Pass. Adopted, bill ordered to Third Reading.

EDUCATION AND WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT

SB 65, relative to the start of the school year.

Inexpedient to Legislate, Vote 4-1. Senator Ward for the committee.

Senator Feltes moved to Lay on the Table. Adopted.

HB 383, relative to the prohibition on unlawful discrimination in public and nonpublic schools. Interim Study, Vote 5-0. Senator Morgan for the committee.

The question is on the adoption of the motion of Interim Study. Adopted.

HB 447, relative to school calendar days.

Inexpedient to Legislate, Vote 4-1. Senator Kahn for the committee.

Senator Feltes moved to Lay on the Table. Adopted.

HB 652, relative to suicide prevention.

Inexpedient to Legislate, Vote 4-1. Senator Ward for the committee.

Senator Feltes moved to Lay on the Table. Adopted.

ELECTION LAW AND MUNICIPAL AFFAIRS

SB 23-L, relative to a town establishing a minimum age to purchase a product.

Inexpedient to Legislate, Vote 3-2. Senator Sherman for the committee.

The question is on the adoption of the motion of Inexpedient to Legislate.

A roll call was requested by Senator Bradley, seconded by Senator Giuda.

The following Senators voted Yes: Watters, Hennessey, Dietsch, Kahn, Chandley, Levesque, Rosenwald, Feltes, Cavanaugh, D'Allesandro, Morgan, Sherman, Soucy.

The following Senators voted No: Starr, Giuda, Bradley, Gray, French, Ward, Carson, Reagan, Birdsell, Morse.

The following Senators were excused: Fuller Clark.

Roll Call, Yeas: 13 - Nays: 10. Adopted.

SB 304-FN-A, relative to campaign contributions and expenditures, and making an appropriation therefor. Ought to Pass with Amendment, Vote 4-1. Senator Levesque for the committee.

Election Law and Municipal Affairs

November 6, 2019

2019-2855s

04/10

Amendment to SB 304-FN-A

Amend the title of the bill by replacing it with the following:

AN ACT establishing a committee to study public funding of certain state election campaigns.

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

1 Committee Established. There is established a committee to study public funding of certain state election campaigns.

2 Membership and Compensation.

I. The members of the committee shall be as follows:

(a) Two members of the senate, one of whom shall be from the majority party and one of whom shall be from the minority party, appointed by the president of the senate.

(b) Four members of the house of representatives, 2 of whom shall be from the majority party and 2 of whom shall be from the minority party, appointed by the speaker of the house of representatives.

II. Members of the committee shall receive mileage at the legislative rate when attending to the duties of the committee.

3 Duties. The committee shall study public funding of certain state election campaigns, primarily to identify which campaigns for state office it may be beneficial to fund publicly, the cost of doing so, and potential sources of public funds.

4 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 senate member. The first meeting of the committee shall be held within 45 days of the effective date of this section. Three members of the committee shall constitute a quorum.

5 Report. The committee shall report its findings and any recommendations for proposed legislation to the president of the senate, the speaker of the house of representatives, the senate clerk, the house clerk, the governor, and the state library on or before November 1, 2020.

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

2019-2855s

AMENDED ANALYSIS

This bill establishes a committee to study public funding of certain state election campaigns.

The question is on the adoption of the Committee Amendment. Adopted.

The question is on the adoption of the motion of Ought to Pass with Amendment.

A roll call was requested by Senator Birdsell, seconded by Senator French.

The following Senators voted Yes: Watters, Hennessey, Dietsch, Kahn, Chandley, Levesque, Rosenwald, Feltes, Cavanaugh, D'Allesandro, Morgan, Sherman, Soucy.

The following Senators voted No: Starr, Giuda, Bradley, Gray, French, Ward, Carson, Reagan, Birdsell, Morse.

The following Senators were excused: Fuller Clark.

Roll Call, Yeas: 13 - Nays: 10. Adopted, bill ordered to Third Reading.

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENTS AND ADMINISTRATION

HB 121-FN, relative to the regulation of massage, reflexology, structural integrator and Asian bodywork therapy establishments.

Inexpedient to Legislate, Vote 3-2. Senator Cavanaugh for the committee.

Senator Carson moved to Lay on the Table. Adopted.

HB 150-FN, relative to statements of financial interests filed by state officials.

Interim Study, Vote 4-1. Senator Carson for the committee.

The question is on the adoption of the motion of Interim Study. Adopted.

HB 520, relative to availability of diaper changing stations in public restrooms.

Inexpedient to Legislate, Vote 5-0. Senator Carson for the committee.

Senator Kahn moved to Lay on the Table. Adopted.

FINANCE

SB 171-FN-A, appropriating money to remove lead from drinking water pipes in schools.

Inexpedient to Legislate, Vote 5-1. Senator D'Allesandro for the committee.

Recess. Out of recess.

Senator Feltes moved to Lay on the Table.

A roll call was requested by Senator Bradley, seconded by Senator Giuda.

The following Senators voted Yes: Watters, Hennessey, Dietsch, Kahn, Chandley, Levesque, Rosenwald, Feltes, Cavanaugh, D'Allesandro, Fuller Clark, Morgan, Soucy.

The following Senators voted No: Starr, Giuda, Bradley, Gray, French, Ward, Carson, Reagan, Birdsell, Morse, Sherman.

Roll Call, Yeas: 13 - Nays: 11. Adopted.

MOTION OF RECONSIDERATION

Senator Feltes, having voted on the prevailing side, moved to reconsider the following action taken by the body on SB 248-FN, increasing the age for sales and possession of tobacco products.: Rescind Order to Third Reading, and reconsider the vote on Ought to Pass with Amendment. Adopted.

Recess. Out of recess.

The question is on the adoption of the motion of Ought to Pass with Amendment.

A roll call was requested by Senator Watters, seconded by Senator Giuda.

The following Senators voted Yes: Bradley, Watters, Hennessey, Dietsch, Kahn, Chandley, Levesque, Rosenwald, Feltes, Cavanaugh, Reagan, D'Allesandro, Fuller Clark, Morgan, Sherman, Soucy.

The following Senators voted No: Starr, Giuda, Gray, French, Ward, Carson, Birdsell, Morse.

Roll Call, Yeas: 16 - Nays: 8. Adopted, bill ordered to Third Reading.

HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

SB 175, relative to qualifying medical conditions for therapeutic cannabis.

Inexpedient to Legislate, Vote 3-1. Senator Gray for the committee.

The question is on the adoption of the motion of Inexpedient to Legislate. Adopted.

SB 181-FN, requiring monitoring of certain radioactive air pollutants.

Interim Study, Vote 4-0. Senator Sherman for the committee.

Senator Sherman moved to Lay on the Table. Adopted.

JUDICIARY

SB 35, making a technical correction to the bail statute.

Inexpedient to Legislate, Vote 4-0. Senator French for the committee.

The question is on the adoption of the motion of Inexpedient to Legislate. Adopted.

SB 89-FN, relative to the penalties for violation of privacy.

Interim Study, Vote 4-0. Senator Levesque for the committee.

The question is on the adoption of the motion of Interim Study. Adopted.

SB 90-FN, relative to certain disclosures by health care provider facilities.

Interim Study, Vote 4-0. Senator Hennessey for the committee.

The question is on the adoption of the motion of Interim Study. Adopted.

SB 182, relative to a duty to report when another person has suffered grave physical harm.

Interim Study, Vote 4-0. Senator Hennessey for the committee.

The question is on the adoption of the motion of Interim Study. Adopted.

SB 295-FN, relative to the office of the child advocate.

Ought to Pass with Amendment, Vote 4-0. Senator Chandley for the committee.

Senate Judiciary

December 4, 2019

2019-2887s

05/04

Amendment to SB 295-FN

Amend the bill by replacing sections 1 and 2 with the following:

1 New Chapter; Office of the Child Advocate. Amend RSA by inserting after chapter 21-U the following new chapter:

CHAPTER 21-V

OFFICE OF THE CHILD ADVOCATE

21-V:1 Definitions. In this chapter, and unless the specific context indicates otherwise:

I. "Agency" means any department, institution, bureau, or office of the state, as well as other public and private children and youth service organizations providing services under contract or agreement with an executive agency; provided that "agency" shall not include the judicial council or any entity for which the council provides services.

II. "Child advocate" means the administrative head of the office of the child advocate.

III. "Critical incident" means:

(a) A fatality of a child, including, but not limited to, circumstances of accident, child abuse, child neglect, homicide or other violence, natural cause, overdose, suicide, or terminal illness.

(b) A near fatality or serious bodily or emotional injury of a child.

(c) Abduction of a child.

(d) Human trafficking of a child, including, but not limited to, labor trafficking, sex trafficking, or child sexual abuse images.

(e) The death of a parent or guardian of a child.

(f) An accident involving division staff with a child, parent, or provider.

(g) Suicide or attempted suicide by a child.

(h) Rape or other sexual assault of a child.

(i) Serious physical injury or risk thereof to a child.

(j) Serious psychological injury or risk thereof of a child.

(k) An inquiry made by the governor's office, the department of health and human service's commissioner's office, or the division child advocate's office regarding a child.

(l) Circumstances which result in a reasonable belief that the division failed in its duty to protect a child and, as a result, the child was at imminent risk of, or suffered serious bodily or emotional injury or death.

(m) A media report of a child.

(n) Any restraint or seclusion of a child.

(o) Any other incident that may seriously affect the health and well-being of a child.

IV. "Child" or "youth" means a person under the age of 21 who is in the custody of or receiving services from the division, or who was in the custody of or received services from the division within the past 3 years, or whose siblings, parents, or other caretakers have been the subject of a report to the division within the past 3 years, or who is receiving services from any executive agency.

V. "Division" means the department of health and human services, division for children, youth and families.

VI. "Executive agency" means a state agency within the executive branch that provides services to children.

VII. "Office" means the office of the child advocate.

VIII. "Oversight" means review, monitoring, and evaluation of any executive agency, and all contracted programs, providers, services, and activities of those executive agencies as well as executive agencies' policies, procedures, and practices and implementation and amendment of such policies, procedures, and practices related to the care of, or services to, children.

IX. "Oversight commission" means the oversight commission on children's services established under RSA 21-V:10.

X. "Record" means all records, documents, books, papers, files, photographs, microfilms, sound recordings, magnetic storage media, drafts, computer data, court documents, reports, electronic databases, emails and any other form of communication, and all other materials, regardless of physical form or characteristics, created, generated, recorded, received, possessed, or controlled by or on behalf of executive agencies.

21-V:2 Office of the Child Advocate Established. There shall be an office of the child advocate which shall be an independent agency, attached to the department of administrative services pursuant to RSA 21-G:10 for administrative purposes only. The office shall:

I. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, operate with full independence from any state official, department, or agency in the performance of its duties.

II. Provide independent oversight of executive agencies to:

(a) Ensure that children involved with an agency, and in particular, children served by the child welfare or juvenile justice systems, receive timely, safe, and effective services and that their best interests are being protected.

(b) Strengthen the state by working in collaboration with agencies and other necessary parties on cases under review.

(c) Ensure that children placed in the care of the state or receiving services under the supervision of an agency in any public or private facility, receive humane and dignified treatment at all times, with full respect for the child's personal dignity, right to privacy, and right to adequate and appropriate healthcare and education in accordance with state and federal law.

(d) Examine, on a system-wide basis, the care and services that agencies provide children, and provide recommendations to improve the quality of those services in order to provide each child the opportunity to live a full and productive life.

(e) Advise the public, governor, commissioners, speaker of the house of representatives, senate president, and oversight commission about how the state may improve its services to and for children and their families.

(f) Periodically review and investigate any aspect of an agency's policies, procedures, and practices and work collaboratively with the agency to improve policies, procedures, practices, and programs affecting children.

III. Upon its own initiative or upon receipt of a complaint, review and if deemed necessary:

(a) Investigate the actions of any agency and make appropriate referrals; provided that department of health and human services specific complaints shall be handled by the ombudsman pursuant to RSA 126-A:4, III.

(b) Investigate those complaints in which the child advocate determines that a child or family may be in need of assistance from the office or a systemic issue in the state's provision of services is raised by the complaint.

(c) Provide assistance to a child or family whom the child advocate determines is in need of assistance, including seeking resolution of complaints, which may include, but not be limited to, referring a complaint to the appropriate agency or entity, making a recommendation to such agency or entity for action related to the complaint, and sharing information in any proceeding before any court or agency in the state in which matters related to the division's child protection and juvenile justice services are at issue.

IV. Regularly consult with executive agencies and the oversight commission.

V. Provide information and referral services to the public regarding all child-serving state services, particularly child protection and juvenile justice services.

VI. Perform educational outreach and advocacy initiatives in furtherance of the mission and responsibilities of the office.

VII. Periodically review the facilities and procedures of any and all institutions or residences, public or private, where a child has been placed by an agency.

VIII. Apply for and accept grants, gifts, bequests of funds from other states, federal and interstate agencies, independent authorities and private firms, individuals, and foundations, for the purpose of carrying out the responsibilities, and consistent with the mission, of the office.

21-V:3 Child Advocate; Appointment; Term; Vacancy; Removal.

I. The office of the child advocate shall be under the supervision of the child advocate. The child advocate shall be the administrative head of the office and shall be a full-time, unclassified position, responsible for the duties of the office.

II. The child advocate shall be appointed by the governor and executive council, upon the recommendation of the oversight commission.

III. The child advocate shall serve a term of 4 years and until a successor is appointed and qualified. Any vacancy in the position shall be filled in the same manner as the original appointment for the remainder of the unexpired term.

IV. Upon any vacancy in the position of the child advocate, and until such time as a candidate has been appointed by the governor and council, the associate child advocate shall serve as the acting child advocate and be entitled to the compensation, privileges, and powers of the child advocate.

V. Any person appointed to the position of child advocate shall be selected without regard to political affiliation and on the basis of integrity and demonstrated ability, and shall possess a professional graduate degree in law, social work, public health, or a related field and be qualified by reason of education, experience, and expertise to perform the duties of the office.

VI. The child advocate may be removed from office for cause pursuant to RSA 4:1.

VII. The child advocate shall appoint an associate child advocate, and may, subject to appropriation, appoint such other personnel as the child advocate deems necessary for the efficient management of the office. The duties of these personnel shall be performed under and by the advice and direction of the child advocate.

21-V:4 Access to Information and Facilities.

I. The office shall have access to the following information:

(a) All case records, all third party records, including the healthcare and education records of any child receiving services from an executive agency, and all records submitted to the courts.

(b) Executive agencies' policies and procedures, including draft policies and procedures.

(c) Executive agencies' records or reports, including draft records and reports.

(d) Autopsy reports from the chief medical examiner, which shall be provided in a timely manner upon the request of the child advocate.

II. The office shall be entitled to prompt electronic access to division records within the scope of its mission.

III. The office, in performance of its duties under this chapter, may communicate privately with any child or person who has received, is receiving, or should have received services from the state. Such communications shall be confidential and not be subject to disclosure except as provided in RSA 21-V:5.

21-V:5 Confidentiality of Information.

I. The office shall maintain the confidentiality of all case records, third party records, and court records pursuant to RSA 169-C:25 and RSA 170-G:8-a, and all other related confidentiality laws.

II. The office investigations and oversight activities, and the information gathered in such investigations and oversight activities, including the identity of any complainant, shall be exempt from the public disclosure provisions of RSA 91-A. Such investigations, oversight activities, and information shall be privileged and exempt from use or disclosure in any criminal or civil matter or administrative proceeding.

III. The child advocate of the office may disclose confidential information about a child to any individual or entity responsible for, or providing services to, the child. Any disclosures of confidential information shall be the minimum necessary to ensure proper care and treatment for the child or to identify, prevent, or treat the abuse or neglect of a child.

IV. The child advocate shall have the same authority as the commissioner of the department of health and human services to publicly release information pursuant to RSA 126-A:5, XII in furtherance of the mission and responsibilities of the office.

V. Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, if the child advocate determines that the health, safety, and welfare of children are at risk, the child advocate may publicly disclose the details of investigation findings, subject to the following limitations:

(a) Names, addresses, or other identifying information of individuals who are the subject of any confidential proceeding or statutory confidential provision shall not be released to the public.

(b) Investigation findings shall not be released if there is a pending law enforcement investigation or prosecution, except as provided in paragraph III.

21-V:6 Power of Subpoena. The office shall have the authority to subpoena witnesses, records, documents, reports, reviews, recommendations, correspondence, data, and other evidence that the office reasonably believes is relevant.

21-V:7 Incidents and Fatalities.

I. The division shall provide the office with a copy of all critical incident reports or other reports related to actual physical injury to children or a significant risk of such harm, as well as other incidents which may affect the safety and well-being of children in the custody or control of the department of health and human services, including but not limited to reports related to the restraint and seclusion of any child under the care and protection of the division, not later than 48 hours after the occurrence.

II. The division shall provide the office with notice of any child fatality or serious injury of a child under its care or supervision or whose safety and the safety of the child's siblings has been or is being assessed, immediately by telephone. The division shall further provide the office with written report of such fatality or serious injury not later than 48 hours after the occurrence.

21-V:8 Annual Report. Beginning November 1, 2020, and each November 1 thereafter, the child advocate shall submit an annual report of the activities and findings of the office, and present his or her recommendations to the oversight commission. The report shall also be provided to the commissioner of any executive agency that is the subject of a report prepared by the office, the governor, the speaker of the house of representatives, the senate president, and the state library. The child advocate shall make the annual report available to the public on the office of the child advocate's website.

21-V:9 Confidentiality and Admissibility. No person employed or contracted by or volunteering for the office shall be compelled to testify or produce evidence in any judicial or administrative proceeding with respect to any matter involving exercise of his or her official duties except as may be necessary to enforce this chapter. All related memoranda, work product, notes, or case files of the office are confidential and are not subject to discovery, subpoena, or other means of legal compulsion, and are not admissible in evidence in a judicial or administrative proceeding. This limitation shall not apply to information obtained by any employee, contractor, or volunteer of the office regarding a crime or fraud, or a communication of imminent risk of serious harm, nor shall it apply to communications regarding the general operation of the office and the processes employed.

21-V:10 Oversight Commission on Children's Services Established.

I. There shall be an oversight commission on children's services, which shall consist of the following members:

- (a) Two members of the senate, appointed by the senate president.
- (b) Two members of the house of representatives, appointed by the speaker of the house of representatives.
- (c) Four members representing the executive branch, appointed by the governor.
- (d) Two members representing the judicial branch, appointed by the chief justice of the supreme court.
- (e) Two representatives of the New Hampshire Association of Chiefs of Police, one of whom serves as chief of police for a city and one of whom serves as chief of police for a town.
- (f) Two members of child advocacy organizations, appointed by the senate president.
- (g) Two members of child advocacy organizations, appointed by the speaker of the house of representatives.
- (h) An individual who was formerly a recipient of child protection, juvenile justice, or voluntary services through the division, appointed by the governor.
- (i) An individual who has served or is serving as a foster parent, appointed by the governor.

II. Legislative members of the commission shall serve a term coterminous with their term in office. Members appointed under subparagraphs (c)-(i) shall serve 3-year terms. Legislative members of the commission shall receive mileage at the legislative rate when attending to the duties of the commission.

III. The oversight commission shall:

- (a) Recommend at least 3 qualified candidates to the governor, in rank order, for appointment to the position of child advocate; except that in the case of reappointment, a single recommendation shall be sufficient.
- (b) Provide oversight to the office in its effort to support an effective, comprehensive, and coordinated system of services and programs for children, youth, and families.
- (c) Review with the office the efficacy of selected programs and services of executive agencies, including the characteristics of target populations, trends affecting program costs and participation, and alternative approaches to programmatic and administrative concerns.
- (d) Collaborate with the office to identify and implement best practices on behalf of children and families.
- (e) Monitor and review implementation of the memorandum of understanding entered into by the department of health and human services and the department of justice regarding the collaboration between the agencies in the investigation and prosecution of abuse and neglect cases.

IV. The oversight commission shall elect a chairperson from among the members. The first meeting of the commission shall be called by the first-named senate member. The first meeting of the commission shall be held within 45 days of the effective date of this section. Nine members of the commission shall constitute a quorum.

2 Applicability; Oversight Commission on Children's Services. To the extent practicable, members of the oversight commission on children's services established in RSA 170-G:19 on the effective date of this act shall serve the remainder of their terms on the oversight commission established in RSA 21-V:10.

2019-2887s

AMENDED ANALYSIS

This bill recodifies the statutes governing the office of the child advocate, clarifies the authority and independence of the office, and expands the jurisdiction of the office to include a broader range of agencies that serve children. The bill also establishes an oversight commission on children's services.

The question is on the adoption of the Committee Amendment. Adopted.

The question is on the adoption of the motion of Ought to Pass with Amendment. Adopted, bill ordered to Third Reading.

SB 312-FN, relative to medical monitoring for exposure to toxic substances.
Interim Study, Vote 4-0. Senator Chandley for the committee.

The question is on the adoption of the motion of Interim Study. Adopted.

SB 315-FN, relative to claims against the state.
Interim Study, Vote 4-0. Senator Hennessey for the committee.

The question is on the adoption of the motion of Interim Study. Adopted.

SB 316-FN, relative to the protection of personal information.
Interim Study, Vote 4-0. Senator Hennessey for the committee.

The question is on the adoption of the motion of Interim Study. Adopted.

HB 153, relative to circumstances under which police officer disciplinary records shall be public documents.
Interim Study, Vote 4-0. Senator French for the committee.

The question is on the adoption of the motion of Interim Study. Adopted.

HB 155, relative to procedures for determining and disclosing exculpatory evidence in a police officer's personnel file.
Interim Study, Vote 4-0. Senator French for the committee.

The question is on the adoption of the motion of Interim Study. Adopted.

HB 481-FN-A-L, relative to the legalization and regulation of cannabis and making appropriations therefor.
Interim Study, Vote 4-0. Senator Hennessey for the committee.

The question is on the adoption of the motion of Interim Study. Adopted.

TRANSPORTATION

HB 397-FN, relative to drivers' licenses for New Hampshire residents who do not possess a social security card.
Ought to Pass with Amendment, Vote 4-0. Senator Watters for the committee.

Senate Transportation
October 24, 2019
2019-2800s
11/04

Amendment to HB 397-FN

Amend the title of the bill by replacing it with the following:

AN ACT establishing a committee to study the provision of New Hampshire drivers' licenses to persons without social security numbers who are living within the state.

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

1 Committee Established. There is established a committee to study the provision of New Hampshire drivers' licenses to persons without social security numbers who are living within the state.

2 Membership and Compensation.

I. The members of the committee shall be as follows:

(a) Three members of the house of representatives, appointed by the speaker of the house of representatives.

(b) One member of the senate, appointed by the president of the senate.

II. Members of the committee shall receive mileage at the legislative rate when attending to the duties of the committee.

3 Duties.

I. The committee shall study:

(a) The consequences on public safety, businesses, and community welfare of workers living in the state without the ability to acquire a driver's license.

(b) The impact on public safety, businesses, and community welfare of New Hampshire providing non-REAL ID drivers' licenses to persons without social security numbers who are living in the state.

(c) The laws in other states that allow for the provision of drivers' licenses to persons without social security numbers who are living in such states.

(d) How to strengthen the privacy protections for drivers' license records, including the identifying information of license holders, in New Hampshire.

II. The committee may solicit advice and testimony from any interested party, including but not limited to:

(a) The New Hampshire department of safety, including but not limited to the director of the division of motor vehicles.

(b) Members of law enforcement.

(c) The New Hampshire Business and Industry Association.

(d) The New Hampshire Alliance for Immigrants and Refugees.

4 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 house member. The first meeting of the committee shall be held within 45 days of the effective date of this section. Three members of the committee shall constitute a quorum.

5 Report. The committee shall report its findings and any recommendations for proposed legislation to the speaker of the house of representatives, the president of the senate, the house clerk, the senate clerk, the governor, and the state library on or before November 1, 2020.

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

2019-2800s

AMENDED ANALYSIS

This bill establishes a committee to study the provision of New Hampshire drivers' licenses to persons without a social security numbers who are living in the state.

Senator Watters moved to Lay on the Table.

Recess. Out of recess.

The question is on the adoption of the motion to Lay on the Table.

A roll call was requested by Senator Birdsell, seconded by Senator Bradley.

The following Senators voted Yes: Starr, Bradley, Watters, Hennessey, Gray, French, Ward, Dietsch, Kahn, Chandley, Levesque, Rosenwald, Carson, Feltes, Cavanaugh, Reagan, Birdsell, D'Allesandro, Fuller Clark, Morse, Morgan, Sherman, Soucy.

The following Senators voted No: Giuda.

Roll Call, Yeas: 23 - Nays: 1. Adopted.

WAYS AND MEANS

SB 94, relative to the number of days a charitable organization may operate bingo.

Inexpedient to Legislate, Vote 4-0. Senator Feltes for the committee.

The question is on the adoption of the motion of Inexpedient to Legislate. Adopted.

SB 95-FN, establishing a working families property tax refund program.

Inexpedient to Legislate, Vote 3-1. Senator D'Allesandro for the committee.

Senator Feltes moved to Lay on the Table. Adopted.

Senator Morgan is in opposition to the motion to Lay on the Table on SB 95-FN.

SB 223-FN, increasing the minimum gross business income required for filing a business profits tax return. Ought to Pass with Amendment, Vote 3-1. Senator Dietsch for the committee.

Senate Ways and Means

November 20, 2019

2019-2871s

10/08

Amendment to SB 223-FN

Amend the bill by replacing sections 1 and 2 with the following:

1 Minimum Gross Business Income for Filing Business Profits Tax Return. Amend RSA 77-A:6, I and I-a to read as follows:

I. Every business organization having gross business income in excess of [~~\$50,000~~] **\$75,000** as defined by RSA 77-A:1, VI, during the taxable period, shall on or before the fifteenth day of the third month in the case of organizations required to file a United States partnership tax return, and the fifteenth day of the fourth month in the case of all other business organizations, following expiration of its taxable period, make a return to the commissioner. The commissioner of revenue administration shall adopt rules, pursuant to RSA 541-A, relative to the form of such return and the data which it must contain for the correct computation of taxable business profits and gross business income attributable to this state and the tax assessed on it. All returns shall be signed by the taxpayer or by its authorized representative, subject to the pains and penalties of perjury.

I-a. Every business organization realizing a gain or loss on the sale or exchange of an interest in the business organization shall file a return for the taxable period, regardless of whether or not the business organization's gross business income is in excess of [~~\$50,000~~] **\$75,000** during the taxable period.

2 Applicability. The provisions of this act shall apply for taxable periods beginning after December 31, 2020.

The question is on the adoption of the Committee Amendment. Adopted.

The question is on the adoption of the motion of Ought to Pass with Amendment.

A roll call was requested by Senator Bradley, seconded by Senator Giuda.

The following Senators voted Yes: Starr, Giuda, Bradley, Watters, Hennessey, Gray, French, Ward, Dietsch, Kahn, Chandley, Levesque, Carson, Feltes, Cavanaugh, Reagan, Birdsell, Fuller Clark, Morse, Morgan, Sherman, Soucy.

The following Senators voted No: Rosenwald, D'Allesandro.

Roll Call, Yeas: 22 - Nays: 2. Adopted, bill ordered to the Committee on Finance (Rule 4-5).

SB 244-FN, relative to taxes applicable to certain real estate investment trusts.

Inexpedient to Legislate, Vote 4-0. Senator D'Allesandro for the committee.

The question is on the adoption of the motion of Inexpedient to Legislate. Failed.

Senator Chandley moved Ought to Pass.

Senator Chandley offered a Floor Amendment.

Sen. Chandley, Dist 11
 Sen. Bradley, Dist 3
 January 7, 2020
 2020-0023s
 10/05

Floor Amendment to SB 244-FN

Amend the title of the bill by replacing it with the following:

AN ACT establishing a commission to study the incentivization of publicly-offered real estate investment trusts in New Hampshire.

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

1 New Section; Commission to Study the Incentivization of Publicly-Offered Real Estate Investment Trusts (REITs) in New Hampshire. Amend RSA 293-B by inserting after section 3 the following new section:

293-B:3-a Commission to Study the Incentivization of Publicly-Offered Real Estate Investment Trusts in New Hampshire.

I. There is established a commission to study the incentivization of publicly-offered real estate investment trusts in New Hampshire.

(a) The members of the commission shall be as follows:

(1) One member of the senate, who shall be a member of the ways and means or commerce committee, appointed by the president of the senate.

(2) Three members of the house of representatives, one of whom shall be a member of the ways and means committee, one of whom shall be a member of the commerce and consumer affairs committee, and one of whom shall be a member of the municipal and county government committee, appointed by the speaker of the house of representatives.

(3) The commissioner of the department of revenue administration, or designee.

(4) The commissioner of the insurance department, or designee.

(5) The commissioner of the department of business and economic affairs, or designee.

(6) The state treasurer, or designee.

(7) The director of the bureau of securities regulation or designee.

(8) A member of the New Hampshire Bar Association with knowledge of trust law, appointed by the president of the association.

(9) The executive director of the New Hampshire housing finance authority, or designee.

(10) An active commercial real estate developer, appointed by the governor.

(11) A member of the public who has extensive real estate knowledge, appointed by the governor.

(b) Legislative members of the commission shall receive mileage at the legislative rate when attending to the duties of the commission.

II. The commission's study shall include, but not be limited to:

(a) Exploring the economic benefits to New Hampshire of establishing a statutory structure for the governance of publicly-offered real estate investment trusts (REITs).

(b) How to incentivize REITs to be domiciled in New Hampshire by recommending a legal framework under which a publicly-offered REIT, or its affiliated entities and subsidiaries, may operate in New Hampshire with legal flexibility if compliant with federal law and regulatory guidelines.

(c) Consideration of exemptions from or reductions of certain fees established for publicly-offered REITs, or their affiliated entities and subsidiaries, for investing some portion of their stakeholder or shareholder capital into a specified benefit corporation to finance residential real estate for working wage renters and home buyers.

III. The commission may solicit input from any person or entity the commission deems relevant to its study.

IV. The members of the commission shall elect a chairperson from among the members. The first meeting of the commission shall be called by the senate member. The first meeting of the commission shall be held within 45 days of the effective date of this section. Seven members of the commission shall constitute a quorum.

V. The commission shall make a report with its findings and any recommendations for proposed legislation on or before July 1, 2021 to the president of the senate, the speaker of the house of representatives, the senate clerk, the house clerk, the governor, and the state library.

2 Repeal. RSA 293-B:3-a, relative to a commission to study the incentivization of publicly-offered real estate investment trusts in New Hampshire, is repealed.

3 Effective Date.

I. Section 2 of this act shall take effect July 1, 2021.

II. The remainder of this act shall take effect upon its passage.

2020-0023s

AMENDED ANALYSIS

This bill establishes a statutory commission to study the incentivization of publicly-offered real estate investment trusts in New Hampshire.

The question is on the adoption of the Floor Amendment. Adopted.

The question is on the adoption of the motion of Ought to Pass with Amendment. Adopted, bill ordered to Third Reading.

ENERGY AND NATURAL RESOURCES

SB 13, relative to limited electrical energy producers and net energy metering.

Ought to Pass with Amendment, Vote 4-0. Senator Fuller Clark for the committee.

Energy and Natural Resources

November 20, 2019

2019-2873s

10/06

Amendment to SB 13

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

1 Findings. The general court finds that:

I. New Hampshire's electricity consumers, including municipalities, manufacturers, commercial businesses, and other large users, strongly support more competitive retail options to lower their energy costs.

II. These same consumers deserve the freedom to invest their own capital to become more self-sufficient and energy independent and less reliant on out-of-state electricity companies that control our high electricity rates.

III. ISO-New England, Inc., the independent, nonprofit regional transmission organization that oversees the operation of New England's bulk electric power system and transmission lines, has stated that infrastructure constraints could pose a challenge to the reliable operation of the regional power grid, create price increases and volatility, and contribute to increased air emissions, all of which would adversely impact New Hampshire's citizens, businesses, and economy.

IV. The current size limit of one megawatt on customer-generators that may participate in net energy metering is an unnecessary barrier that denies larger electricity users the same rights that smaller users already have to produce and use local renewable power that reduces their energy costs, increases supply, and insulates all New Hampshire ratepayers from electric price volatility and higher transmission costs.

V. The current size limit is also a barrier to significant investment in existing and new small renewable energy projects, which would help keep our energy dollars in-state, drive economic activity, support good-paying jobs, and increase state and local business and property tax revenues.

VI. The federal Public Utility Regulatory Policies Act (PURPA) as amended by the Energy Policy Act of 2005 calls upon states to consider the adoption and implementation of net metering policies. PURPA as amended states that electricity generated by an eligible on-site generating facility may be used to offset electric energy provided by the electric utility and allows states to define an eligible facility. Furthermore, under ISO New England's rules, a generating facility of less than 5 megawatts that is connected to the distribution grid is not required to register with ISO New England as a generator or participate in the wholesale energy markets; rather, if the generating facility elects not to register as a wholesale market participant or retires from such status, the customer generator is to be treated by ISO New England as a retail load reducer.

VII. It is therefore also in the best interests of all citizens of New Hampshire that the size limit on customer-generators that may participate in net energy metering and serve as retail load reducers be increased from one megawatt to up to but not including 5 megawatts to increase customer supply choice, foster a more robust retail market for local renewable energy, help mitigate the cost of electric service in the state, reduce the price volatility of that service, and reduce the potential for disruptions in electricity supply due to inadequate wholesale generating capacity in the New England marketplace.

2 Definition; Customer-generator. Amend RSA 362-A:1-a, II-b to read as follows:

II-b. "Eligible customer-generator" or "customer-generator" means an electric utility customer who owns, operates, or purchases power from an electrical generating facility either powered by renewable energy or which employs a heat led combined heat and power system, with a ~~[total peak generating]~~ **nameplate or maximum rated** capacity of ~~[up to and including one megawatt,]~~ **less than 5 megawatts** and that is located behind a retail meter on the customer's premises, is interconnected and operates in parallel with the electric grid, and is used to offset the customer's own electricity requirements **in the first instance**. Incremental generation added to an existing generation facility, that does not itself qualify for net metering, shall qualify if such incremental generation meets the qualifications of this paragraph and is metered separately from the nonqualifying facility.

3 Net Energy Metering; Net Effects. Amend RSA 362-A:9, VII to read as follows:

VII.(a) A distribution utility may perform an annual calculation to determine the net effect this section had on its default service and distribution revenues and expenses in the prior calendar year. The method of performing the calculation and applying the results, as well as a reconciliation mechanism to collect or credit any such net effects with appropriate carrying charges and credits applied, shall be determined by the commission.

(b) For the purposes of accounting for any exports to the distribution grid by customer-generators, such exports shall be treated as reductions to the customer-generator's electricity supplier's wholesale load obligation for energy supply as a load serving entity, net of any applicable line loss adjustments as approved by the commission.

(c) A generator that first becomes operational on or after July 1, 2020 shall only be eligible to participate in net metering as a customer-generator if it does not register as a generator with ISO New England, is not considered a "Network Resource" or "Asset" by ISO New England, and does not participate in any other sale of electricity in interstate commerce.

(d) A generator that first became operational before July 1, 2020 and that has outstanding capacity commitments in the forward capacity market administered by ISO New England, is registered as a generator with ISO New England, or is considered a "Network Resource" or "Asset" by ISO New England, may elect to become a customer-generator and participate in net metering upon retirement from all wholesale electric markets administered by ISO New England. A generator in the process of retiring from FERC regulated electric markets may prospectively register as a group host pursuant to paragraph XIV provided that net metering tariffs under this section shall not be effective until such retirement is effective.

(e) Any provisions of settlement agreements or orders that have been approved or issued by the commission that relate to a distribution utility's treatment of the output from qualifying facilities or independent power producers shall not apply to the output from an eligible customer-generator participating in net metering.

4 Net Energy Metering; Transition of Tariffs. Amend RSA 362-A:9, XV to read as follows:

XV. Standard tariffs that are available to eligible customer-generators under this section shall terminate on December 31, 2040 and such customer-generators shall transition to tariffs that are in effect at that time. **Alternative tariffs shall be applicable and have such grandfathering provisions as may be**

approved or adopted by the commission under this section. Customer-generators with a nameplate or maximum rated capacity of more than one megawatt and less than 5 megawatts that are eligible for net metering before the commission adopts tariffs specifically for customer-generators with a generating capacity of more than one megawatt shall:

(a) Be eligible to receive the export credit rate approved by the commission in Order No. 26,029 (DE 16-576) for one megawatt sized customer-generators on default service, namely, the applicable default energy service rate.

(b) Be grandfathered by the terms of currently applicable tariffs for customer-generators with a total peak generating capacity of one megawatt if the customer-generator's electrical generating facility first becomes operational on or after July 1, 2020.

(c) Transition to such new tariffs as are specifically approved by the commission for customer-generators with a nameplate or maximum rated capacity of more than one megawatt if the customer-generator's electrical generating facility first became operational before July 1, 2020.

5 Utility Property Tax; Eligible Customer-Generator; Exclusion Clarified. Amend RSA 83-F:1, V(d) to read as follows:

(d) The electrical generation, production, storage, and supply equipment of an "eligible customer-generator" as defined in RSA 362-A:1-a, II-b, **up to and including one megawatt**;

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

2019-2873s

AMENDED ANALYSIS

This bill increases the electric generating capacity of customer generators who may participate in net energy metering and modifies the transition of tariffs applicable to certain customer-generators. The bill also clarifies the definition of eligible customer-generator for purposes of the utility property tax.

The question is on the adoption of the Committee Amendment. Adopted.

The question is on the adoption of the motion of Ought to Pass with Amendment. Adopted, bill ordered to Third Reading.

SB 73, requiring the public utilities commission to quantify and consider environmental and socioeconomic costs in state energy plans of electric utilities.

Interim Study, Vote 4-0. Senator Fuller Clark for the committee.

The question is on the adoption of the motion of Interim Study. Adopted.

SB 75, establishing a commission to study the economic impact of national carbon pricing in New Hampshire. Interim Study, Vote 4-0. Senator Watters for the committee.

The question is on the adoption of the motion of Interim Study. Adopted.

SB 287-FN, requiring the commissioner of the department of environmental services to revise rules relative to perfluorinated chemical contamination in drinking water.

Interim Study, Vote 4-0. Senator Watters for the committee.

Senator Watters moved Refer back to Committee.

The question is on the adoption of the motion to Refer back to Committee. Adopted.

HB 466, relative to the capacity of electricity customer generators for eligibility for net energy metering. Ought to Pass with Amendment, Vote 3-1. Senator Feltes for the committee.

Energy and Natural Resources

November 21, 2019

2019-2876s

10/04

Amendment to HB 466

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

1 Net Energy Metering; Eligible Customer Generators. Amend RSA 362-A:9, I through IV to read as follows:

I. Standard tariffs providing for net energy metering shall be made available to eligible customer-generators by each electric distribution utility in conformance with net metering rules adopted and orders issued by the commission. Each net energy metering tariff shall be identical, with respect to rates, rate structure, and charges, to the tariff under which a customer-generator would otherwise take default generation supply service from the distribution utility. Such tariffs shall be available on a first-come, first-served basis within each electric utility service area under the jurisdiction of the commission until such time as the total rated generating capacity owned or operated by eligible customer-generators totals a number equal to 100 megawatts, with 50 megawatts of the 100 megawatts allocated to the 4 electric distribution utilities that were subject to the commission's jurisdiction in 2010 multiplied by each such utility's percentage share of the total 2010 annual coincident peak energy demand distributed by those 4 utilities, and 50 megawatts of the 100 megawatts allocated to the state's 3 investor-owned electric distribution utilities, multiplied by each such utility's percentage share of the total 2010 annual coincident peak energy demand distributed by those 3 utilities, all to be determined by the commission and to be utilized by eligible customer-generators located within each such utilities' service territory. Eighty percent of each utility's share of the 50 megawatts shall be apportioned to facilities with a total generating capacity of not more than ~~[100 kilowatts]~~ **125 kilowatts** and 20 percent to facilities with a total generating capacity in excess of ~~[100 kilowatts]~~ **125 kilowatts**, but no greater than one megawatt. The 50 megawatts of capacity shall be made available to eligible customer-generators until such time as commission approved alternative net metering tariffs approved by the commission become available. No more than 4 megawatts of such total rated generating capacity shall be from a combined heat and power system as defined in RSA 362-A:1-a, I-d.

I-a. No person, owner, developer, installer of an eligible customer-generator facility, business organization, or any subsidiary thereof, shall reserve capacity space in the net metering interconnection queue of more than 20 percent of the total net metering utility-specific allocation pursuant to this section, and the creation of multiple business organizations, including a person, as defined in RSA 366:1, I, by the same shall not defeat this requirement. On a weekly basis each utility shall make public on its website its total net metering allocation, its reserved net metering capacity, and its installed and operating net metering capacity. For project applications of greater than ~~[100 kilowatts]~~ **125 kilowatts**, each utility net metering interconnection queue application shall include a certification of compliance with the 20 percent requirement, all persons involved in such an application shall sign the certification of compliance, and no application shall be processed where one or more persons involved in the application did not sign the certification of compliance.

II. Competitive electricity suppliers registered under RSA 374-F:7 may determine the terms, conditions, and prices under which they agree to provide generation supply to and purchase net generation output from eligible customer-generators.

III. Metering shall be done in accordance with normal metering practices. A single net meter that shows the customer's net energy usage by measuring both the inflow and outflow of electricity internally shall be the extent of metering that is required at facilities with a total peak generating capacity of not more than ~~[100 kilowatts]~~ **125 kilowatts**. A bi-directional metering system that records the total amount of electricity that flows in each direction from the customer premises, either instantaneously or over intervals of an hour or less, shall be required at facilities with a total peak generating capacity of more than ~~[100 kilowatts]~~ **125 kilowatts**. Customer-generators shall not be required to pay for the installation of net meters, but shall pay for the installation of all bi-directional metering systems as outlined in utility interconnection tariffs or rules.

IV.(a) For facilities with a total peak generating capacity of not more than ~~[100 kilowatts]~~ **125 kilowatts**, when billing a customer-generator under a net energy metering tariff that is not time-based, the utility shall apply the customer's net energy usage when calculating all charges that are based on kilowatt hour usage. Customer net energy usage shall equal the kilowatt hours supplied to the customer over the electric distribution system minus the kilowatt hours generated by the customer-generator and fed into the electric distribution system over a billing period.

(b) For facilities with a total peak generating capacity of more than ~~[100 kilowatts]~~ **125 kilowatts**, the customer-generator shall pay all applicable charges on all kilowatt hours supplied to the customer over the electric distribution system, less a credit on default service charges equal to the metered energy generated by the customer-generator and fed into the electric distribution system over a billing period.

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

2019-2876s

AMENDED ANALYSIS

This bill increases the apportionment for net energy metering provisions from electrical facilities with total generating capacity of 100 kilowatts to 125 kilowatts.

The question is on the adoption of the Committee Amendment. Adopted.

The question is on the adoption of the motion of Ought to Pass with Amendment. Adopted, bill ordered to Third Reading.

HB 496, establishing a committee to identify the requirements needed to commit New Hampshire to a goal of at least 50 percent renewable energy for electricity by 2040.

Ought to Pass with Amendment, Vote 4-0. Senator Fuller Clark for the committee.

Energy and Natural Resources

November 20, 2019

2019-2875s

06/10

Amendment to HB 496

Amend the title of the bill by replacing it with the following:

AN ACT relative to the definition of antique snowmobiles, relative to water quality rules, and relative to the disposition of administrative fines for asbestos management violations.

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

1 Snowmobiles; Definitions; Antique Snowmobiles. Amend the introductory paragraph of RSA 215-C:1, II to read as follows:

II. "Antique snowmobile" means a snowmobile ~~[owned by a resident of this state]~~ which is any of the following:

2 Water Pollution; Rulemaking. Amend RSA 485-A:6, XIV to read as follows:

XIV. Dissolved oxygen ~~[concentration]~~ water quality standards under RSA 485-A:8, II and II-a.

3 Administrative Fines; Asbestos Management. Amend RSA 141-E:16, I(a) to read as follows:

I.(a) The commissioner, after notice and hearing pursuant to RSA 541-A, may impose an administrative fine not to exceed \$4,000 for each offense upon any person who violates any provision of RSA 141-E:3 or any rule adopted by the commissioner under this chapter; or upon any person who makes or certifies a material false statement relative to any document or information which is required to be submitted to the department pursuant to this chapter or any rule adopted pursuant to this chapter. Rehearings and appeals from a decision of the commissioner under this paragraph shall be in accordance with RSA 541. Any administrative fine imposed under this paragraph shall not preclude the imposition of further penalties under this chapter. The proceeds of administrative fines levied pursuant to this section shall be deposited in the ~~[general]~~ fund ***established by RSA 141-E:12, II.***

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

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AMENDED ANALYSIS

This bill makes technical changes concerning the definition of antique snowmobile, water quality rules, and asbestos management fines.

The question is on the adoption of the Committee Amendment. Adopted.

The question is on the adoption of the motion of Ought to Pass with Amendment. Adopted, bill ordered to Third Reading.

HB 568, relative to the New Hampshire energy strategy.

Inexpedient to Legislate, Vote 4-0. Senator Fuller Clark for the committee.

The question is on the adoption of the motion of Inexpedient to Legislate. Adopted.

HB 707, relative to settlement money from actions pertaining to the contamination of groundwater or drinking water.

Interim Study, Vote 4-0. Senator Bradley for the committee.

The question is on the adoption of the motion of Interim Study. Adopted.

HB 715-FN, relative to electrical energy storage.

Ought to Pass with Amendment, Vote 4-0. Senator Watters for the committee.

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Amendment to HB 715-FN

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

1 Findings; Public Utilities; Energy Storage. Energy storage has the potential to increase the utilization of renewable energy in New Hampshire and improve the state's fuel diversity portfolio. Enabling greater use of renewable energy reduces air pollution, including both toxic chemicals and particulate matter, thereby lessening the electricity system's negative impacts on both public health and environmental quality. Innovative technologies like energy storage can also stimulate investment and employment in the state, thereby making a positive contribution to New Hampshire's economy. Energy storage also has the potential to significantly reduce New Hampshire's effective peak demand for electricity. For these reasons, the general court finds it is in the public interest to stimulate the deployment of energy storage in New Hampshire.

2 New Chapter; Energy Storage. Amend RSA by inserting after chapter 374-G the following new chapter:

CHAPTER 374-H ENERGY STORAGE

374-H:1 Definitions. In this chapter:

- I. "Commission" means the public utilities commission.
- II. "Behind-the-meter storage" means an energy storage project that is installed on a retail electricity customer's premises and is electrically connected to the customer's side of the electric utility meter.
- III. "Bring your own device" means a program for encouraging non-utility owned, and especially retail-customer owned, behind-the-meter energy storage to provide the greatest value possible to the electricity system, particularly in terms of peak reduction and avoided transmission and distribution costs.
- IV. "Energy storage" means batteries, flywheels, compressed air energy systems, sensible heat storage or any other technology, system, or device capable of taking electricity and storing it as some form of energy the technology, system, or device can either convert back into electricity or use to displace an electrical load at a later time. Such term shall include standalone technologies, systems, and devices, as well as those co-located with or incorporated into a renewable energy source.
- V. "Energy storage project" means an individual energy storage system or an aggregation of multiple energy storage systems.
- VI. "Front-of-the-meter storage" means any energy storage that is not behind-the-meter storage.
- VII. "ISO-New England" means the Independent System Operator New England or any successor entity.
- VIII. "Local network service" means the term as defined in ISO-New England's transmission, markets, and services tariff, section II.
- IX. "Non-utility" means any entity that is not a utility that develops, builds, owns, operates, or assists in the operation of one or more energy storage projects, including retail customers that buy behind-the-meter storage installed on their property.
- X. "Peak demand" means the total combined annual coincident peak energy demand of all utility service territories in New Hampshire.

XI. "Regional network service" means the term as defined in ISO-New England's transmission, markets, and services tariff, section II.

XII. "Renewable energy source" means a Class I, Class II, or Class IV renewable energy source as defined in RSA 362-F:4.

XIII. "Utility" means any entity that distributes electricity to retail customers or owns part of the electrical transmission system in New Hampshire.

XIV. "Wholesale electricity markets" means any energy, capacity, or ancillary service market that ISO-New England operates.

374-H:2 Commission Investigation of Energy Storage.

I. Within 30 days of the effective date of this chapter, the commission shall initiate a proceeding to investigate ways to enable energy storage projects to receive compensation for avoided transmission and distribution costs, including but not limited to avoided regional and local network service charges, while also participating in wholesale energy markets. The commission shall investigate how this might be done for both utility-owned and non-utility-owned energy storage projects, as well as for both behind-the-meter storage and front-of-the-meter storage.

II. The commission's investigative proceeding shall specifically consider the following:

(a) How public policy can best help establish accurate and efficient price signals for energy storage projects that value their ability to avoid transmission and distribution costs while simultaneously reducing wholesale electricity market prices.

(b) How to compensate energy storage projects that participate in wholesale electricity markets for avoided transmission and distribution costs in a manner that provides net savings to consumers.

(c) How best to encourage both utility and non-utility investments in energy storage projects.

(d) The costs and benefits of a potential bring your own device program; how such a program might be implemented; any statutory or regulatory changes that might be needed to create, facilitate, and implement such a program; and whether such a program should include all distributed energy resources or be limited to distributed energy storage projects.

(e) Any statutory changes the general court should implement, including but not limited to changes to or exceptions from RSA 374-F or RSA 374-G, to enable energy storage projects to receive appropriate compensation for avoided transmission and distribution costs while also participating in wholesale energy markets.

(f) Any other topic the commission reasonably believes it should consider in order to diligently conduct the proceeding.

III. The commission shall report its findings and recommendations to the standing committees of the house of representatives and senate with jurisdiction over energy and utility matters no later than 2 years after initiating the proceeding. The report shall identify ways any recommended statutory changes can minimize any potential conflict with the restructuring policy principles of RSA 374-F.

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

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AMENDED ANALYSIS

This bill requires the public utilities commission to investigate ways to enable energy storage projects to receive compensation for avoided transmission and distribution costs.

The question is on the adoption of the Committee Amendment. Adopted.

The question is on the adoption of the motion of Ought to Pass with Amendment. Adopted, bill ordered to Third Reading.

CONSENT CALENDAR REPORTS REMOVED

PRESIDENT SOUCY: We are at the conclusion of the regular calendar and will take up the bill that was removed from the consent calendar.

HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

HB 490, establishing a commission to study the role of clinical diagnosis and the limitations of serological diagnostic tests in determining the presence or absence of Lyme and other tick-borne diseases and available treatment protocols, and appropriate methods for educating physicians and the public about the inconclusive nature of prevailing test methods and available treatment alternatives.

Interim Study, Vote 5-0. Senator Fuller Clark for the committee.

Recess. Out of recess.

Senator Sherman moved Refer back to Committee.

The question is on the adoption of the motion to Refer back to Committee. Adopted.

MOTION TO ADJOURN FROM EARLY SESSION

Senator Feltes moved that the Senate adjourn from the Early Session, that the business of the Late Session be in order at the present time, that all bills and resolutions ordered to Third Reading be, by this resolution, read a third time, all titles be the same as adopted, and that they be passed at the present time.

Adopted. Adjournment from the Early Session.

LATE SESSION

LIST OF RULE 6-25'S FOR THE DAY

Senator Chandley:HB 263

Senator Levesque:HB 481-FN-A-L

Senator Morgan:HB 466

ANNOUNCEMENTS

(The Chair recognized Senator Gray.)

SENATOR GRAY: Thank you, Madam President. I rise just to recognize my son. As many of you know, he passed away last month, and you know a great father, a great husband. Mother and I are very proud of the life he led. And the comments that we got from the individuals. I want to recognize the Senate and the staff and anyone else who offered the condolences. We appreciate them and would like to not write as many thank you notes so would like to do this in public here. Many of you don't know, but even last spring I was speaking to the Senate President about his condition and how grave it was at that time. So, he suffered for a long time. For those of you that got potholders, part of that is you know, I keep my mind busy by watching football games, but sometimes I need to keep my hands busy too, to deal with everything that's going on. So, if the potholders you know start to decrease, you'll know I'm doing better. So, thank you all.

PRESIDENT SOUCY: Thank you, Senator Gray and certainly our deepest condolences.

(The Chair recognized Senator Hennessey.)

SENATOR HENNESSEY: Thank you. I just would like to rise for a minute to say a few words about Marion Copenhaver, who was a dear friend of my family's and mine. She died at the age of 94 at the end of November. She was born in Vermont, and graduated from the University of Vermont, but soon found her way to New Hampshire. She raised five children in Hanover with her husband John Copenhaver, and she founded the first Planned Parenthood affiliate in the Upper Valley, and was president of the PTA. An active golfer, skier, and community leader. And in 1972, as happens a lot in our district, she was convinced to run for the New Hampshire State Legislature, representing Hanover for the next twenty-eight years. She rose to Assistant Minority Leader, and Governor Shaheen commended Marion when she retired for "her determination, tenacity, hard facts, ingenuity and unrelenting hard work in achieving her goal of a more humane society." Any of you who knew Marion, know that she was a force, equal perhaps I want to say only by my mother who was her very dear friend. She loved a good laugh. Nobody liked to laugh more than Marion, but she was also an incredibly hard worker. So, I'd like to publicly thank Marion Copenhaver, for her service to New Hampshire. And I appreciate the moment to speak about her. Thank you.

(The Chair recognized Senator D'Allesandro.)

SENATOR D'ALLESANDRO: Thank you Madam President. Point of personal privilege. As I walked into the building today and I looked to the left, there was an empty seat, an empty office. And we opened our session today with respect to Joyce Phinney. I walked into this building many, many years ago. About twenty-five years ago, that's a quarter of a century ago. I walked in and met Joyce Phinney. Joyce Phinney gave more of

herself to this legislature, and to us, more than any person I can think of. Her concern was for everybody in this body, and everybody in the House. Joyce was one sweetheart. Joyce grew up in Medford, Massachusetts. I grew up in Medford, Massachusetts. So, we had that bonding. She'd run around this joint like a rabbit, always on her fast motion. Running here and running there. The great tragedy was when she hurt her back, and she couldn't wear her high heels anymore. That was really, really, really, a downfall for poor Joyce.

I'd talk with Joyce nights before I left. We'd talk about what was going on here, in the rough times and the better times. But I think the real issue is Joyce brought up two boys, and they're really a credit to her. I knew one of them very well, he actually worked for us here in the State House. For a while, he worked for the Senate. But Joyce, was a person who had great feelings, and great compassion. And you know, those things are kind of lacking in our society today. And it's a shame that a person who gave so much left us in a New York minute. Left here on Friday and died Friday night. Died Friday night in her sleep. It just emphasizes the point that every moment is worth living. Live every moment of your life to the fullest because you just never know. You know Joyce said, 5:00 p.m. on Friday afternoon was here and full of life and energy and joy and Friday evening she was dead. What we all should remember about Joyce is that she was a giver, a real giver and there wasn't any one of us I don't think that didn't get something positive from Joyce during our tenure here. She's a great lady, a lady who will you know, who will be remembered and hopefully, hopefully the work that she's done would be recognized as quality, quality service to all of us. You know as life goes on, I look at the obits every day now and I notice that many of my colleagues, as Senator Watters would say, are leaving me or leaving us and me. The passage of Joyce was a shock, a real, real shock. I'll end by saying no person gave more to this institution than Joyce Phinney. She loved the place, she worked hard for every one of us and her loss will be felt for a long, long period of time. There is a bunch more that could be said about a person that made a difference, and Joyce Phinney made a difference. Thank you, Madam President.

Without objection, all personal privileges and unanimous consent shall be entered into the permanent *Journal of the Senate*. (Rule 2-16 and Rule 2-17). Adopted.

LATE SESSION

Third Reading and Final Passage

HB 130-LOCAL, relative to property tax relief for totally and permanently disabled veterans.

HB 348, relative to procedures for condominiums with 25 or fewer residential units.

HB 466, relative to the capacity of electricity customer generators for eligibility for net energy metering.

HB 496, relative to the definition of antique snowmobiles, relative to water quality rules, and relative to the disposition of administrative fines for asbestos management violations.

HB 703-FN, relative to providing notice of the introduction of new high-cost prescription drugs.

HB 715-FN, relative to electrical energy storage.

SB 13, relative to limited electrical energy producers and net energy metering.

SB 113, relative to municipal authority regarding the state building code.

SB 152, relative to third party inspections conducted pursuant to a planning board approval.

SB 229-FN, establishing a committee to study the value of conducting post-election audits in New Hampshire.

SB 231-FN, establishing a committee to study truth in political advertising.

SB 244-FN, establishing a commission to study the incentivization of publicly-offered real estate investment trusts in New Hampshire.

SB 248-FN, increasing the age for sales and possession of tobacco products.

SB 295-FN, relative to the office of the child advocate.

SB 304-FN-A, establishing a committee to study public funding of certain state election campaigns.

SB 319-FN, requiring automated external defibrillators in certain facilities promoting health and wellness through a paid program of intended physical activity.

MOTION TO RECESS TO CALL OF THE CHAIR

Senator Feltes moved that the business of the day being completed, that the Senate recess to the Call of the Chair for the purposes of introducing legislation, referring bills to committee, scheduling hearings, sending and receiving messages, and processing enrolled bill reports and amendments and when we recess, we recess to the Call of the Chair.

Adopted. The Senate is in recess to the Call of the Chair.