

**2021 BUDGET SESSION TRAILER BILL TOPICS  
PREPARED FOR HOUSE FINANCE DIVISION II  
FOR DISCUSSION PURPOSES ONLY**

**Education Funding – Adequate Education Grants**

In FY 2022, and conditionally for FY 2023, requires the Department of Education to adjust the average daily membership in attendance (ADMA) for pupils eligible for a free or reduced-price meal for the purpose of calculating adequate education grants.

**Public School Infrastructure Fund**

Transfers \$15,000,000 in FY 2022 and \$15,000,000 in FY 2023 from the Education Trust Fund to the Public School Infrastructure fund (RSA 198:15-y).

**New Hampshire College and University System**

Establishes the New Hampshire College and University System, including a 15-member board of trustees, which will be tasked with recommending legislation for the 2022 legislative session to unify the University System of New Hampshire and the Community College System of New Hampshire.

**Scholarship Programs**

Makes various changes to the Governor’s Scholarship Program, New Hampshire College Tuition Savings Plan Advisory Commission, and New Hampshire Excellence in Higher Education Endowment Fund. Also, establishes the Workforce Development Student Debt Relief Program and Fund. These changes should not impact state General or Education Trust funds.

**Red List Bridge Project Appropriation Lapse to Highway Fund**

Lapses unexpended funds (estimated to be \$8,100,000) from a General Fund appropriation in FY 2018 to the Highway Fund. Based on the Governor’s recommended budget highway fund surplus statement, these funds would be available to the highway fund in FY 2022.

**Body-Worn and Dashboard Camera Fund**

Establishes a dedicated fund, with an initial \$1,000,000 general fund appropriation, for the purpose of providing matching grants to local law enforcement agencies to purchase, maintain, and replace body-worn and dashboard cameras.

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**Other Sections**

The sections below do not appear to have a direct budget impact (HB 1 or surplus statement):

- **Department of Safety**
  - **Transfer Authority** – Allows for budget transfers, with Department of Administration Budget Office approval, from otherwise prohibited expenditure class lines (continuation from last budget).
  - **Relocation of the Mechanical Licensing Board** – Moves Mechanical Licensing Board from the Department to the Office of Professional Licensure and Certification.
  - **Radio Infrastructure Equipment Procurement Standards** – Requires the Department to collaborate with the Department of Administrative Services to establish standards for radio infrastructure related purchases.
  - **Capital Appropriation Repurposing** – Repurposes existing capital appropriations for new uses.
  
- **Fish and Game Department**
  - **Bear Damage** – Makes statutory changes relative to state compensation relative to bear damage.
  
- **Department of Transportation**
  - **Civil Liability for Highway Damage** – Amends current law relative to civil liability relative to damage to highway, including adding a definition for “full and current replacement cost”.
  - **Disposal of Real Estate** – Defines protocol for the treatment of sale proceeds relative to the disposal of Federal funded real estate.
  - **Aeronautics Definitions** – Adds statutory definitions relative to unmanned aircraft.
  
- **Department of Education**
  - **NH Scholars Program** – Allows for the Department to accept grants, gifts, and/or donations to provide funding for the NH Scholars program.