

Joint Economic Briefing

HOUSE WAYS AND MEANS COMMITTEE

SENATE WAYS AND MEANS COMMITTEE

Tuesday, January 19, 2021

- 9:00 a.m.** **Michael Kane**, Legislative Budget Assistant, *discussing the role of LBA in assisting the Ways and Means Committees and status of the budget*
- 9:30 a.m.** **Lindsey Stepp**, Commissioner of the Department of Revenue Administration, *discussing taxes collected by DRA and how they operate*
- 11:00 a.m.** **Monica Mezzapelle**, State Treasurer, *discussing the state's financial condition including cash flow, reserves, debt, and ratings and bonding*
- 11:30 a.m.** **Taylor Caswell**, Commissioner of the Department of Business and Economic Affairs, *discussing the state's economy, including business activity and the impact of stimulus funds on businesses in the state*
- 1:00 p.m.** **Rich Lavers**, Deputy Commissioner of the Department of Employment Security and **Brian Gottlob**, Director of the Economic and Labor Market Information Bureau, *discussing the labor market and the pandemic's impact on unemployment compensation and employment*
- 2:00 p.m.** **Dr. Kenneth Johnson**, Senior Demographer at the UNH Carsey School of Public Policy, *discussing state and regional demographic trends*

Wednesday, January 20, 2021

- 9:00 a.m.** **Jeffrey Schulze**, CFA Director, ClearBridge Investments, *discussing the regional and national economy*
- 10:00 a.m.** **Phil Sletten**, Senior Policy Analyst, New Hampshire Fiscal Policy Institute, *discussing state economic conditions and economic forecast*
- 11:00 a.m.** **Dave Juvet**, NH Business and Industry Association, *discussing current business challenges and predictions for the year to come*
- 1:00 p.m.** **Ben Frost**, Managing Director of NH Housing Finance Authority, *discussing the state's housing market and housing challenges.*
- 1:30 p.m.** **Patricia Tilley**, Deputy Director of the Division of Public Health Services, Department of Health and Human Services, *discussing pandemic conditions in the state and the status of vaccine distribution*