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SENATE BILL	149
AN ACT	relative to nonpublic sessions under the right-to-know law.
SPONSORS:	Sen. Boutin, Dist 16; Sen. Avard, Dist 12; Sen. Cataldo, Dist 6; Sen. Little, Dist 8; Sen. Reagan, Dist 17; Sen. Stiles, Dist 24; Sen. Watters, Dist 4; Rep. Horrigan, Straf 6; Rep. T. Walsh, Merr 24; Rep. Duarte, Rock 2
COMMITTEE:	Education

ANALYSIS

This bill allows a school board to consider certain contracts in nonpublic session under the right-to-know law under certain circumstances.

Explanation:Matter added to current law appears in **bold italics.**Matter removed from current law appears [in brackets and struckthrough.]Matter which is either (a) all new or (b) repealed and reenacted appears in regular type.

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STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

In the Year of Our Lord Two Thousand Fifteen

AN ACT relative to nonpublic sessions under the right-to-know law.

Be it Enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

1 1 New Subparagraph; Right-to-Know; Nonpublic Sessions. Amend RSA 91-A:3, II by inserting 2 after subparagraph (j) the following new subparagraph:

3 (k) Consideration by a school board of entering into a student or pupil tuition contract authorized by RSA 194 or RSA 195-A, which, if discussed in public, would likely benefit a party or 4 parties whose interests are adverse to those of the general public or the school district that is $\mathbf{5}$ 6 considering a contract, including any meeting between the school boards, or committees thereof, 7involved in the negotiations. A contract negotiated by a school board shall be made public prior to its 8 consideration for approval by a school district, together with minutes of all meetings held in 9 nonpublic session, any proposals or records related to the contract, and any proposal or records 10involving a school district that did not become a party to the contract, shall be made public. 11 Approval of a contract by a school district shall occur only at a meeting open to the public at which, 12or after which, the public has had an opportunity to participate.

13 2 Effective Date. This act shall take effect September 1, 2015.