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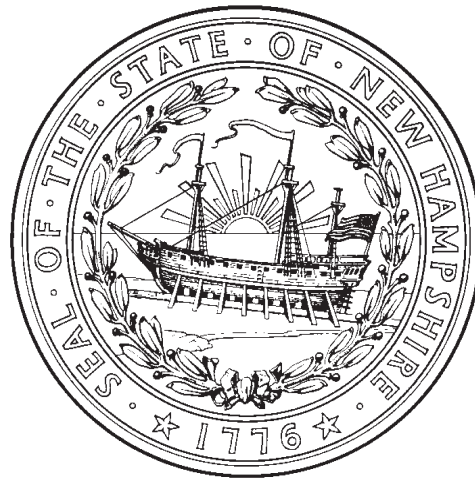
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**Second Year of the 167th Session of the
New Hampshire General Court**

SENATE CALENDAR

**THE SENATE WILL MEET IN SESSION ON THURSDAY,
MARCH 31, 2022 AT 10:00 A.M. IN THE SENATE CHAMBER**

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Thursday, March 31, 2022 at 10:00 a.m.

LAID ON THE TABLE

SB 70-FN, relative to insurance coverage for emergency behavioral health services for children and young adults.**01/05/2022, Pending Motion Interim Study, Commerce, SJ 1**

SB 226-FN, establishing a recruitment and retention program for state employment.**03/24/2022, No Pending Motion, Finance, SJ 7**

SB 253, apportioning state senate districts.**02/16/2022, Pending Motion Interim Study, Election Law and Municipal Affairs, SJ 3**

SB 280, relative to meetings of the state health assessment and health improvement plan advisory council and the therapeutic cannabis medical oversight board.**02/03/2022, Pending Motion Interim Study, Health and Human Services, SJ 2**

SB 315-LOCAL, directing that a portion of revenue distributions from the meals and rooms municipal revenue fund be used by municipalities to reduce the local property tax rate.**02/03/2022, Pending Motion Inexpedient to Legislate, Ways and Means, SJ 2**

SB 320, relative to health care provider contract standards.**03/17/2022, Pending Motion Interim Study, Health and Human Services, SJ 5**

SB 322, relative to remote meetings under the right-to-know law.**02/24/2022, Pending Motion Interim Study, Judiciary, SJ 4**

SB 340-FN, relative to the direct to consumer shipment of alcohol to New Hampshire residents.**03/17/2022, Pending Motion Interim Study, Commerce, SJ 5**

SB 341-LOCAL, relative to treatment of PFAS contaminants in the drinking water of the Merrimack Village Water District.**03/24/2022, Pending Motion Interim Study, Energy and Natural Resources, SJ 7**

SB 384-FN, requiring notice of the hands-free law at the point of sale for cell phones.**02/16/2022, Pending Motion Interim Study, Commerce, SJ 3**

SB 436-FN, relative to access to abortion care.**02/03/2022, No Pending Motion, Judiciary, SJ 2**

HB 412, making an appropriation to the department of environmental services for the purpose of funding public water system projects.**03/24/2022, Pending Motion Inexpedient to Legislate, Finance, SJ 7**

CACR 36, residency for the purpose of voting. Providing that only residents of the state may vote in elections.**03/17/2022, No Pending Motion, Election Law and Municipal Affairs, SJ 5**

CONSENT CALENDAR REPORTS

EDUCATION

HB 1234, relative to criminal background checks for an applicant for a teaching credential.

Ought to Pass, Vote 5-0.

Senator Prentiss for the committee.

This bill is a simple, housekeeping bill that adds human trafficking to the list of crimes for which an application for teaching credentials shall not be granted. Last session, RSA 189:13-a was amended to add human trafficking to the list of section five violations in statute. This bill would add human trafficking to RSA 189:13-c, the section related to the credentialing of educators.

ELECTION LAW AND MUNICIPAL AFFAIRS

HB 1026, relative to budget information provided to a budget committee.
Inexpedient to Legislate, Vote 5-0.
Senator Gray for the committee.

This bill would have enabled municipal budget committees to require governing bodies provide budget recommendations in active spreadsheet format. An alternative to the active spreadsheet requirement was enacted in a bill passed last year and became effective in September of 2021. Because insufficient time has elapsed to evaluate the alternative process the committee recommends ITL.

HB 1456-FN, relative to the Hampton marine memorial.
Ought to Pass, Vote 5-0.
Senator Soucy for the committee.

This bill will direct the Department of Natural and Cultural Resources to add to the list of names on the Hampton Marine Memorial those veterans lost at sea during the periods including Operation Desert Shield, Operation Desert Storm, and the Wars on Terrorism. Passage of this bill will allow the names of two New Hampshire Marines, lost at sea during these military operations to be added. This updated memorial will also provide those who view it the opportunity to reflect on the continuing cost of our freedom.

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENTS AND ADMINISTRATION

HB 91-FN, relative to death benefits of first responders who die from suicide.
Interim Study, Vote 5-0.
Senator Carson for the committee.

This bill intends to provide a line of duty death benefit to police officers, firefighters, emergency medical technicians and rescue squad members who die by suicide after being exposed to traumatic events in the course of their duties. A senate bill with similar language is being sent to the House. The committee voted to refer this bill to interim study.

HB 536-FN, relative to death benefits for public works employees killed in the line of duty, and relative to workers' compensation offsets for certain retirement system benefits.
Ought to Pass, Vote 5-0.
Senator Reagan for the committee.

This bill expands the eligibility of a \$100,000 line-of-duty death benefit by adding municipal or state public works or highway employees killed in the line of duty. Public works employees are included as first responders by presidential direction, and they are often called upon in times of accidents and natural disasters. This bill also eliminates any offset for workers' compensation benefits applicable to the New Hampshire Retirement System (NHRS) accidental death benefits and brings parity to Group I and Group II employees.

HB 1030, relative to licensure by alternate experience for licensed nursing assistant.
Ought to Pass, Vote 5-0.
Senator Carson for the committee.

This bill clarifies requirements for alternate experience licensure of nursing assistants and adds Coast Guard and Air Force Marine Corp experiences to those who can apply for a nursing assistant license. This bill aims to address the critical workforce shortage faced in New Hampshire by making it as easy as possible for service members with the relevant training received during enlistment to become licensed in New Hampshire.

HB 1059, clarifying limits on licensure by operation of law.
Ought to Pass, Vote 5-0.
Senator Ricciardi for the committee.

This bill permits the Executive Director of the Office of Professional Licensure and Certification (OPLC) to review license applications if the relevant licensing board does not act within the required 60-day period after the application is made. This bill was requested by OPLC because some boards are unable to act due to membership and quorum issues. This bill closes the loop-hole that allows potentially unqualified applicants from becoming licensed by default if the licensing board is unable to meet and review the application.

HB 1318-FN-L, relative to penalties for employer noncompliance with retirement system requirements.
Ought to Pass with Amendment, Vote 5-0.
Senator Carson for the committee.

This bill was requested by the New Hampshire Retirement System (NHRS) to incentivize employers to submit final wage and time information on newly retired employees to the system in a timely manner. This bill, as amended, adds a \$200 daily penalty for delayed reporting of data required by NHRS. The penalty can be waived in cases of extenuating circumstances. This will help NHRS to finalize retirement benefits more quickly and enable retirees to check for discrepancies in a timelier manner.

HB 1319-FN, relative to granting certain corrections personnel death benefits if killed in the line of duty.
Interim Study, Vote 5-0.
Senator Carson for the committee.

This bill intends to add correctional officers, probate-parole officers and correctional line personnel classified under Group II of the retirement system to personnel granted \$100,000 if killed in the line of duty. This bill fixes an earlier omission of correction officers from the line of duty death benefits. A senate bill with similar language is being sent to the House. The committee votes to refer this bill to interim study.

HB 1354, relative to regulation by the New Hampshire real estate commission.
Ought to Pass, Vote 5-0.
Senator Prentiss for the committee.

This bill allows real estate agents to continue to receive compensation for prior transactions in the event that the agent moves to an inactive license status. Current law requires that agents be licensed to receive compensation for real estate transactions. It is not uncommon in commercial real estate for there to be delayed or deferred payments. This bill allows agents to continue to receive these payments, earned while licensed, even if their license status later changes. Additionally, this bill modifies the procedure for out-of-state licensees to be recognized for licensure in New Hampshire.

HB 1446-FN, relative to the governing board of recreational therapists and relative to the governing board of respiratory care practitioners.
Ought to Pass, Vote 5-0.
Senator Prentiss for the committee.

This bill changes the governing boards of recreational therapists and respiratory care practitioners to advisory boards. The change was requested by the Office of Professional Licensure and Certification (OPLC) because these boards often have trouble getting board members and reaching a quorum. Further, the executive director of OPLC shall consult with the boards on decisions other than those related to administrative duties.

HB 1497-FN, relative to optional allowances in the retirement system.
Ought to Pass, Vote 5-0.
Senator Carson for the committee.

This bill clarifies the time for election of a survivorship optional allowance by permitting members to pre-select an optional survivorship allowance at any point in their career. Additionally, this bill changes the post-retirement grace period given to members to change their survivor benefit optional retirement allowance to 120 days from the date of the original retirement notice issued by the retirement system, thereby allowing members to see their final retirement numbers before making any decisions.

HB 1581, relative to the use of open source software by state agencies.
Ought to Pass, Vote 5-0.
Senator Reagan for the committee.

This bill reinstates a requirement that state agencies consider open source software. This requirement, originally established in 2012, was inadvertently removed in the 2019 reorganization of the Department of Information Technology (DOIT). This bill encourages prudent procurement decisions and a shift towards open, transparent government tools and standards.

HB 1681-FN, relative to the state building code and the state fire code.
Ought to Pass with Amendment, Vote 5-0.
Senator Cavanaugh for the committee.

This bill, as amended, conforms NH to the 2018 set of national codes, which includes the fire code, building code, plumbing code, mechanical code, energy conservation code, swimming pool and spa code and residential code. This bill puts NH one code cycle behind, which is common practice.

TRANSPORTATION

HB 1020, relative to additional lights on emergency vehicles.
Ought to Pass, Vote 5-0.
Senator Watters for the committee.

This bill permits police and fire vehicles to affix certain additional lights to vehicles owned or leased by the state, county, or local municipality.

HB 1040, establishing a commission to study revenue alternatives to the road toll for the funding of improvements to the state's highways and bridges and their resulting improvements to the environment.
Ought to Pass with Amendment, Vote 5-0.
Senator Birdsell for the committee.

This bill establishes a commission to study revenue alternatives to the road toll for the funding of the state's highways and bridges and resulting improvements to the environment. The committee amendment allows the Governor to appoint a representative from an energy and transportation non-profit organization, includes one senator on the commission, and considers out of state vehicles no longer be subject to the road toll.

HB 1110, relative to windshield tint waivers.
Ought to Pass, Vote 5-0.
Senator Ward for the committee.

This bill increases the required light transmittance of after market tinted windshields. The bill would allow for car windows to be uniform with their tint percentage.

HB 1160, relative to obedience to signals at railroad crossings.
Ought to Pass with Amendment, Vote 5-0.
Senator Sherman for the committee.

This bill modifies the circumstances under which certain vehicles must stop at railroad grade crossings. The amendment provided a simple change that clarified the words "he or she" when referring to operators for equipment operators.

HB 1553-FN, relative to roadside memorials.
Inexpedient to Legislate, Vote 5-0.
Senator Birdsell for the committee.

As introduced, this bill would have prohibited roadside memorials located within the right-of-way of any primary or secondary highway and required the Department of Transportation to remove any roadside memorial after 90 days from the date of an event being memorialized. The committee believed that roadside memorials were permissible and allowed for loved ones who had passed away at a certain location to be remembered. The committee felt that this bill was unnecessarily limiting roadside memorials and voted inexpedient to legislate.

HB 1554-FN, relative to online payment of fees relating to the operation of off highway recreational vehicles and snowmobiles.
Ought to Pass with Amendment, Vote 5-0.
Senator Ward for the committee.

This bill requires the executive director of fish and game to establish procedures for enabling online payment of registration fees. The committee amendment outlined grants from the Department of Natural and Cultural Resources, Division of Parks and Recreation; Bureau of Trails; Grant-in-Aid, and discusses a dual system of online and in person registration.

REGULAR CALENDAR REPORTS

ELECTION LAW AND MUNICIPAL AFFAIRS

SB 348, relative to political expenditures and contributions.

Ought to Pass with Amendment, Vote 5-0.

Senator Gray for the committee.

SB 418-FN, relative to verification of voter affidavits.

Ought to Pass with Amendment, Vote 3-2.

Senator Gray for the committee.

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENTS AND ADMINISTRATION

SB 382, relative to licensure requirements for telehealth services.

Ought to Pass, Vote 5-0.

Senator Carson for the committee.

FINANCE

SB 267-FN-A, establishing the upland invasive species program, program fund, and program coordinator in the department of agriculture, markets, and food.

Interim Study, Vote 6-0.

Senator Reagan for the committee.

SB 361-FN, requiring that bail commissioners be reimbursed for mileage traveled in the performance of their duties.

Ought to Pass, Vote 6-0.

Senator Hennessey for the committee.

SB 376-FN, establishing a committee to study the creation of a board to study mental health incidents among law enforcement officers.

Ought to Pass with Amendment, Vote 6-0.

Senator Rosenwald for the committee.

SB 379-FN, establishing the solid waste management fund and establishing a solid waste disposal surcharge.

Ought to Pass, Vote 6-0.

Senator D'Allesandro for the committee.

SB 402-FN, granting disaster relief for two presidentially declared disasters in response to July-August 2021 flood damage sustained by communities in Cheshire and Sullivan counties.

Interim Study, Vote 4-2.

Senator Daniels for the committee.

SB 403-FN-A, re-establishing the Special Supplemental Nutrition Program for Women, Infants, and Children (WIC) Farmers Market Nutrition Program.

Interim Study, Vote 4-3.

Senator Daniels for the committee.

SB 415-FN-A, making an appropriation to the department of health and human services for the purpose of increasing rates paid to homeless shelters.

Inexpedient to Legislate, Vote 4-3.

Senator Hennessey for the committee.

SB 425-FN, relative to the establishment of an election information portal.

Ought to Pass, Vote 4-1.

Senator Reagan for the committee.

SB 431-FN, relative to child support in cases with equal or approximately equal parenting schedules.

Ought to Pass, Vote 5-0.

Senator D'Allesandro for the committee.

SB 434-FN, relative to the reduction in the calculation of state retirement annuities at age 65.

Interim Study, Vote 3-2.

Senator Daniels for the committee.

SB 438-FN-L, establishing state procurement policies intended to promote the use of American materials.

Ought to Pass, Vote 4-1.

Senator Hennessey for the committee.

SB 442-FN, relative to the suspension of a vehicle registration as a result of evading toll collection systems.

Ought to Pass with Amendment, Vote 5-0.

Senator D'Allesandro for the committee.

SB 443-FN, relative to municipal authority regarding the state building code.
Interim Study, Vote 5-0.

Senator Rosenwald for the committee.

SB 444-FN, relative to childhood adverse experiences treatment and prevention.
Inexpedient to Legislate, Vote 3-2.

Senator Daniels for the committee.

SB 447-FN, establishing the electric vehicle and infrastructure fund.
Ought to Pass, Vote 3-2.

Senator Rosenwald for the committee.

SB 448-FN, relative to energy reduction by state agencies.
Interim Study, Vote 4-1.

Senator Daniels for the committee.

SB 456-FN-A, establishing a law enforcement conduct review committee in the police standards and training council and making an appropriation therefor.

Ought to Pass, Vote 3-2.

Senator Rosenwald for the committee.

SB 459-FN, relative to a health care facility workplace violence prevention program.
Ought to Pass, Vote 5-0.

Senator Daniels for the committee.

HB 1218-FN, relative to the merger of Granite State college with the university of New Hampshire.
Ought to Pass, Vote 6-0.

Senator Hennessey for the committee.

HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

SB 288, prohibiting the requiring of COVID-19 vaccinations for schools or child care agencies.
Ought to Pass with Amendment, Vote 3-1.

Senator Avard for the committee.

SB 446-FN-A, establishing a child care workforce fund and grant program and making an appropriation therefor.

Ought to Pass with Amendment, Vote 5-0.

Senator Whitley for the committee.

SB 450, relative to the prescription drug affordability board.
Ought to Pass with Amendment, Vote 4-0.

Senator Sherman for the committee.

JUDICIARY

SB 344, relative to the quorum requirements under the right to know law of meetings open to the public.
Pending Motion: Floor Amendment 2022-1135s, SJ 5.

Senator Daniels.

AMENDMENTS

Health and Human Services

March 23, 2022

2022-1206s

10/04

Amendment to SB 288

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

AN ACT establishing a committee to study the listing of immunizations for children.

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

1 Committee Established. There is established a committee to study the listing of immunizations for children.

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 minority party, appointed by the president of the senate.

(b) Four members of the house of representatives, at least one 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 examine the policy of the department of health and human services listing of immunizations under RSA 141-C:20-a, and take testimony from the department and other interested parties about Covid-19 vaccines for school-aged children and child care agencies.

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 December 1, 2022.

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

2022-1206s

AMENDED ANALYSIS

This bill establishes a committee to study the listing of immunizations for children.

Sen. Daniels, Dist 11

March 16, 2022

2022-1135s

07/08

Floor Amendment to SB 344

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

AN ACT relative to the participation requirements of meetings open to the public under the right to know law.

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

1 Access to Governmental Records and Meetings; Meetings Open to the Public; Physical Quorum Requirements Removed. Amend RSA 91-A:2, III to read as follows:

III. ~~[A public body]~~ **Political subdivisions of the state** may, but [is] **are** not required to, **enact regulations by vote of the local or county legislative body to** allow one or more members of [the] **a public** body to participate in a meeting by electronic or other means of communication for the benefit of the public and the governing body, subject to the provisions of this paragraph. **Nothing in this paragraph shall apply to the general court.**

(a) A member of the public body may participate in a meeting other than by attendance in person at the location of the meeting only when such attendance is not reasonably practical. Any reason that such attendance is not reasonably practical shall be stated in the minutes of the meeting.

~~[(b) Except in an emergency, a quorum of the public body shall be physically present at the location specified in the meeting notice as the location of the meeting. For purposes of this subparagraph, an "emergency" means that immediate action is imperative and the physical presence of a quorum is not reasonably practical within the period of time requiring action. The determination that an emergency exists shall be made by the chairman or presiding officer of the public body, and the facts upon which that determination is based shall be included in the minutes of the meeting.]~~

~~[(c)]~~ **(b)** Each part of a meeting required to be open to the public shall be audible or otherwise discernable to the public at [the] **a physical and electronic** location specified in the meeting notice as the location of the meeting **with at least 2 members present in person at the physical location**. Each member participating electronically or otherwise must be able to simultaneously hear each other and speak to each other during the meeting, **shall, in the case of video participation, have their video on and displaying the member's face**, and shall be audible or otherwise discernable to the public in attendance

at the meeting’s location. Any member participating in such fashion shall identify the persons present in the location from which the member is participating. No meeting shall be conducted by electronic mail or any other form of communication that does not permit the public to hear, read, or otherwise discern meeting discussion contemporaneously at the meeting location specified in the meeting notice.

[(d)] (c) Any meeting held pursuant to the terms of this paragraph shall comply with all of the requirements of this chapter relating to public meetings, **shall provide a mechanism for the public to alert the public body during the meeting if there are problems with access, electronically or otherwise, shall be adjourned until the public is able to access the meeting, electronically or otherwise,** and shall not circumvent the spirit and purpose of this chapter as expressed in RSA 91-A:1.

[(e)] (d) A member participating in a meeting by the means described in this paragraph is deemed to be present at the meeting for purposes of voting. All votes taken during such a meeting shall be by roll call vote.

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

2022-1135s

AMENDED ANALYSIS

This bill removes the physical presence quorum requirement for meetings and establishes requirements for electronic participation in meetings of a public body under RSA 91-A.

Election Law and Municipal Affairs
March 21, 2022
2022-1174s
07/04

Amendment to SB 348

Amend RSA 664:4, IV and V as inserted by section 1 of the bill by replacing them with the following:

IV. By a person or corporation in excess of the following amounts:

	Maximum amount contributed during exploratory phase	Additional maximum amount that may be contributed for the primary election	Additional maximum amount that may be contributed for the general election	Total maximum amount of contributions:
Contributed to:				
Candidate or Candidate Committee	\$5,000	\$5,000	\$5,000	\$15,000
Non-candidate political committee or political party	\$10,000	\$10,000	\$10,000	\$30,000
Political advocacy organization	Unlimited	Unlimited	Unlimited	Unlimited

V. By any candidate committee, non-candidate political committee, or political advocacy organization in excess of the following amounts:

	Maximum amount contributed during exploratory phase	Additional maximum amount that may be contributed for the primary election	Additional maximum amount that may be contributed for the general election	Total maximum amount of contributions:
Contributed to:				
Candidate or Candidate Committee	\$10,000	\$10,000	\$10,000	\$30,000
Non-candidate political committee or political party	\$20,000	\$20,000	\$20,000	\$60,000
Political advocacy organization	Unlimited	Unlimited	Unlimited	Unlimited

Amend RSA 664:4 as inserted by section 1 of the bill by inserting after paragraph V the following new paragraph:

VI. A partnership or labor organization may establish its own political committee, which may make contributions to a candidate, political committee, or political party, so long as the funds used by the political committee are separate from the other partnership or labor organization funds.

Senate Finance
March 23, 2022
2022-1203s
08/04

Amendment to SB 376-FN

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

AN ACT relative to creating a board to review police incidents involving citizens affected by mental health issues.

Amend the bill by replacing section 2 with the following:

2 Committee Established. There is established a committee to study establishing a mental health incident review board for the purpose of performing a comprehensive analysis of all mental health aspects of all incidents involving law enforcement use of deadly force, and such non-lethal special weapons and tactics (SWAT) engagements, including regional SWAT teams, as the mental health incident review board may choose to review.

Amend paragraph II of section 4 of the bill by inserting after subparagraph (k) the following new subparagraphs:

- (l) The president of the New Hampshire Sheriff's Association, or designee.
- (m) A member of the New Hampshire American Civil Liberties Union, appointed by that organization.
- (n) The president of the New Hampshire Trooper's Association, or designee.
- (o) The president of the New Hampshire Police Association, or designee.

Amend the bill by deleting section 7 and renumbering the original section 8 to read as 7.

2022-1203s

AMENDED ANALYSIS

This bill establishes a committee to study the creation of a board to review police incidents involving citizens affected by mental health issues.

Election Law and Municipal Affairs
March 14, 2022
2022-1096s
04/10

Amendment to SB 418-FN

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

1 Findings.

I. According to the secretary of state, over the past 45 years, New Hampshire has had 44 state elections that ended in a tie or in a one-vote victory. On average, that is almost once per year, not including the 1974 U.S. Senate race that was won by 2 votes - the closest U.S. Senate race in history. This clearly proves that just one improperly cast vote can adversely influence an election each year. Every improperly cast vote invalidates one legal vote. In the 2016 general election, at least 10 illegal ballots were cast by voters who admitted guilt and were prosecuted by the attorney general and counted, including one woman who was caught voting in both Massachusetts and in Plymouth, New Hampshire. She only paid a \$500 fine; hardly a deterrent. In that same election, the attorney general's office, after extensive investigation, was unable to verify the identity of 230 qualified and domicile affidavit voters. Allowing unverified votes to count in an election enables the corruption of New Hampshire's electoral process. This must be addressed immediately to restore the integrity of New Hampshire elections.

II. Currently, New Hampshire law allows for votes to be cast and counted by signing an affidavit, even when the voter fails to produce documents to prove his or her identity, or that he or she is a New Hampshire citizen or an inhabitant of that town, city, ward, or district. Although these laws do allow for the post-election investigation of these unverified ballots, this merely identifies when unqualified votes have been cast. It does nothing to prevent the nullification of legitimate votes by the casting, counting, and certification of illegitimate ballots.

2 New Section; Election Procedure; Affidavit Ballot. Amend RSA 659 by inserting after section 23 the following new section:

659:23-a Affidavit Ballots.

I.(a) For all elections, if a voter on election day does not have a valid photo identification establishing such voter's identification or does not meet the identity requirements of RSA 659:13, then such voter shall vote by affidavit ballot pursuant to this section.

(b) For all elections, if a voter on election day is registering to vote for the first time in New Hampshire, and does not possess proper documentation, as defined in statute, establishing citizenship and establishing domicile in that town, city, ward, or district, then such voter shall vote by affidavit ballot pursuant to this section.

II. The authorized election official shall hand the affidavit ballot voter an affidavit voter package and explain its use. The affidavit voter package shall be designed, produced, and distributed by the secretary of state, and shall contain the following:

(a) A prepaid U.S. Postal Service Priority Mail Express (overnight delivery) envelope addressed to the secretary of state for the affidavit voter to return the affidavit verification letter described in subparagraph (b) and any required missing documentation that necessitated voting by affidavit ballot. The return address on this envelope shall be for the office of the secretary of state.

(b) An affidavit voter verification letter, in duplicate form, which lists all the documents required to qualify to vote in the state of New Hampshire. The authorized election official shall mark on both copies of the verification letter which qualifying documents were not provided, thereby necessitating voting by affidavit ballot. One copy of the affidavit verification letter shall be given to the voter; the other copy shall be retained by the authorized election official. The voter shall be required to return their copy of the affidavit verification letter and a copy of any required documentation to the secretary of state in the provided prepaid U.S. Postal Service envelope within 10 days of the date of the election in order for the ballot to be certified.

III. The moderator shall mark each affidavit ballot "Affidavit Ballot #___" sequentially, starting with the number "1".

IV. All affidavit ballots shall be cast in person at the polling place, placed in a container designated "Affidavit Ballots," and hand counted after polls have closed using a method prescribed by the secretary of state for hand counting and confirmation of candidate vote totals. After completion of counting, the moderator shall note and announce the total number of votes cast for each candidate, and the total number of affidavit ballots cast in the election. No later than one day after the election, the moderator shall forward all affidavit ballot verification letters to the secretary of state using a secure means of transmission or delivery.

V. On the tenth day after the election, if an affidavit ballot voter has failed to return the verification letter with the missing voter qualifying documentation to the secretary of state, either in person or using the prepaid U.S. Postal Service Priority Mail Express Envelope, the secretary of state shall instruct the moderator of the town, city, ward, or district in which the affidavit ballot was cast to retrieve the associated numbered affidavit ballot and list on a tally sheet, by candidate or issue, the votes cast on that ballot. The counting of votes on affidavit ballots identified by the secretary of state as unqualified shall be conducted by the town, city, ward, or district using the same methods of counting and observation utilized on the day of the election for hand counted ballots. The votes cast on such unqualified affidavit ballots shall be deducted from the vote total for each affected candidate or each affected issue.

VI. No later than 14 days after the election, any town, city, ward, or district in which any affidavit ballots were cast, and not subsequently verified, shall provide to the secretary of state a summary report, by race or ballot issue, of the total votes cast by the unqualified voters. The total vote minus the unqualified affidavit ballot vote for each race or issue shall be the final vote to be certified by the appropriate certifying authority.

VII. The names of affidavit voters whose verification letters are either not returned to the secretary of state or which do not provide the required voter qualifying information shall be referred by the secretary of state to the New Hampshire attorney general's office for investigation in accordance with RSA 7:6-c.

VIII. Any written, electronic, or other information related to an affidavit voter who provides the required information verifying their right to vote shall not be subject to disclosure under RSA 91-A or any other law.

IX. All written documentation relating to affidavit ballots shall be delivered to the secretary of state by local election officials in sealed packages using a secure means of transportation and stored pursuant to RSA 659:95 through 659:103.

3 New Section; General Provisions for Recounts; Affidavit Ballots. Amend RSA 660 by inserting after section 17 the following new section:

660:17-a Affidavit Ballots; Recounts. In any election or referendum, if the total number of affidavit ballots submitted for any local, district, county, or statewide race or issue would, if counted in favor of either candidate or position, alter the outcome of the election, the deadlines for filing recount requests imposed by RSA 660:1, 660:7, 660:10, 660:12, and 660:13 shall be extended until after the deadline for submitting affidavit verification materials in RSA 659:23-a. In such instance, the secretary of state shall publish new deadlines for filing recounts.

4 Election Procedure; Obtaining a Ballot. Amend RSA 659:13, I(c) to read as follows:

(c)(1) If the voter does not have a valid photo identification, the ballot clerk shall ***direct the voter to see the supervisor of the checklist.***

(2) The supervisor of the checklist shall review the voter's qualifications and determine if the voter's identity can be verified.

(3) If the supervisor of the checklist cannot verify the voter's identity, the supervisor of the checklist shall inform the voter that he or she may execute a challenged voter affidavit ***and cast an affidavit ballot in accordance with RSA 659:23-a.*** The voter shall receive an explanatory document prepared by the secretary of state explaining the proof of identity requirements. If the voter executes a challenged voter affidavit ***and casts an affidavit ballot,*** the ballot clerk shall mark the checklist in accordance with uniform procedures developed by the secretary of state.

~~[(2)]~~ ***(4)*** If the voter executes a challenged voter affidavit ***and casts an affidavit ballot,*** the moderator or the moderator's designee shall take a photograph of the voter and immediately print and attach the photograph to~~], and thus make it a part of, the affidavit form. However, if a photograph was taken under RSA 654:12, then a notation shall be made on the challenged voter affidavit stating that the photograph is attached to the qualified voter affidavit or sworn statement on the general election day registration form]~~ ***the duplicate copy of the affidavit voter verification letter to be delivered to the secretary of state.*** The photograph shall be 2 inches by 2 inches, or larger, and may be in color or in black and white. The moderator or his or her designee who took the photograph and the voter shall then sign the challenged voter affidavit. The moderator or designee shall delete the photograph from the camera in the presence of the voter. If the moderator or his or her designee is unable to take the voter's photograph due to equipment failure or other cause beyond the moderator's or his or her designee's reasonable control, the voter may execute a challenged voter affidavit ***and cast an affidavit ballot*** without a photograph.

~~[(3)]~~ ***(5)*** If the voter objects to the photograph requirement because of religious beliefs, he or she may execute an affidavit of religious exemption in accordance with RSA 659:13-b, which shall be attested to by an election officer and attached to the challenged voter affidavit.

~~[(4)]~~ ***(6)*** The person entering voter information into the centralized voter registration database shall cause the records to indicate when a voter has not presented a valid photo identification and has executed a challenged voter affidavit ***and cast an affidavit ballot.***

5 Voting Procedure; Obtaining a Ballot. Amend RSA 659:13, II(b) to read as follows:

(b) In addition to the forms of photo identification authorized in subparagraph (a), the identification requirements of paragraph I may be satisfied by verification of the person's identity by a moderator or supervisor of the checklist or the clerk of a town, ward, or city, provided that if any person authorized to challenge a voter under RSA 659:27 objects to such verification, identifies the reason for the objection in writing, and states the specific source of the information or personal knowledge upon which the challenge of the photo identification is based, the voter shall be required to execute a challenged voter affidavit as if no verification was made. ***When an election official uses personal recognizance as a substitute for required documentation under this section, the moderator or clerk shall print in the margin of the checklist, next***

to the name of the voter so qualified, one of the following to identify the official who validated the voter: “P-x-AB” where “P” indicates personal recognizance; “x” shall be “M” for moderator or “C” for clerk; and AB are the first and last initials of the moderator or clerk. By initialing the checklist, the moderator or clerk personally affirms, under penalty of perjury, the identity of the voter they are qualifying to vote.

6 New Subparagraphs; Voting Procedure; Obtaining a Ballot. Amend RSA 659:13, II by inserting after subparagraph (c) the following new subparagraphs:

(d) The secretary of state shall provide training for supervisors of the checklist on how the nonpublic data in the statewide centralized voter registration database may be used to satisfy voter identification requirements.

(e) The secretary of state shall develop and make available an informational pamphlet explaining the procedure established in RSA 260:21 for obtaining a picture identification card for voter identification purposes only.

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

Senate Finance
March 23, 2022
2022-1194s
12/05

Amendment to SB 442-FN

Amend RSA 263:56-f, I as inserted by section 1 of the bill by replacing it with the following:

I. Upon receiving a report from the commissioner of the department of transportation or designee, or another state having a reciprocal toll collection enforcement agreement, that the owner of a vehicle, as defined in RSA 236:31, has violated the terms of RSA 236:31, or a reciprocal toll collection enforcement agreement in accordance with RSA 237:16-c, the director shall notify the owner in writing by first class mail that the owner’s motor vehicle registration [~~renewal~~] privileges for the vehicle driven in violation of RSA 236:31 [~~may be~~] **are suspended [~~on~~] as of** the date which is 30 days from the date of notification unless the toll and any administrative fees assessed by the department of transportation are paid. Furthermore, the registered owner of the vehicle driven in violation of RSA 236:31 is prohibited from transferring a plate to said vehicle or obtaining a new plate for said vehicle **or any other vehicle** until such tolls and fees are paid. **The registered owner is further prohibited from transferring ownership of said vehicle driven in violation of RSA 236:31, or a reciprocal toll collection enforcement agreement in accordance with RSA 237:16-c, to a family member or an individual with the same address listed in department of motor vehicle records, until such tolls and fees are paid.** The director shall also notify the owner that he or she may request an administrative hearing before the suspension **or prohibitions** [~~takes~~] **take** effect. The hearing shall be limited in scope and shall not constitute an appeal of the fees or fines related to the unpaid tolls, which can only be determined by the department of transportation. A request for a hearing shall be in writing. A request for a hearing received by the division more than 30 days from the date the notice is issued shall be denied as untimely.

Health and Human Services
March 16, 2022
2022-1125s
07/08

Amendment to SB 446-FN-A

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

AN ACT directing the department of health and human services to develop a plan relative to fostering sustainable childcare opportunities for working families and businesses.

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

1 Statement of Findings and Purpose.

I. Industries rely on a stable and qualified workforce. Many industries in the granite state are struggling to recruit and retain their workforce in these unprecedented times. Child care businesses are no different.

What is different is that the child care industry employs the workforce behind the workforce, allowing employees from other industries to be and stay on the job. When child care businesses cannot recruit and retain employees, classrooms and programs close down, resulting in fewer child care spaces for the children of New Hampshire's labor force, resulting in employees having to resign or turn down job offers across all industries.

II. The child care industry is also unique in its dual role of supporting the workforce of today while preparing the workforce of tomorrow.

III. Another unique aspect of the child care workforce is that young children in their care often experience turnover as loss when their beloved teacher leaves. The legislature should do all it can to ensure that does not happen too often in the life of a child.

IV. In May 2021, the director of the New Hampshire economic and labor market information bureau reported that "increasing the labor force participation rate of women ages 25-54 by just 1.3 percent (10,000) through increased access to child care would add over \$1 billion to New Hampshire's gross domestic product by 2031 and over \$1.5 billion in personal income."

V. In May 2020, the bipartisan legislative advisory board of governor's office for emergency relief and recovery stated, "as we begin reopening our economy, the biggest impediment to getting people back to work is access to safe, reliable, and affordable childcare."

VI. Addressing the current child care workforce shortage is key to New Hampshire's economic recovery from the COVID-19 pandemic and will provide critical infrastructure for parents to work or to pursue training or education while their child is in an affordable, safe, nurturing and educationally-enriching environment.

VII. The purpose of this act is to advance solutions to stabilize New Hampshire's child care workforce, which benefits all industries, working families, and the children and youth in their care.

2 Child Care Workforce Initiative. The department of health and human services, in consultation with the advisory council on child care established in RSA 126-A:17, shall develop a plan to submit to the governor's office for economic relief and recovery by June 30, 2022 to help foster sustainable childcare opportunities for working families and businesses. Such a plan shall focus on strategies to rapidly increase recruitment and retention of staffing at child care facilities, including consideration of recruitment and retention bonus and benefit grants for certain New Hampshire child care employers, strategies to ensure a future workforce, costs for facilities, and strategies to increase access and affordability of child care for families statewide. The plan shall also be submitted to the governor, the speaker of the house of representatives, and the president of the senate.

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

2022-1125s

AMENDED ANALYSIS

This bill directs the department of health and human services, in consultation with the child care advisory council, to submit a plan to the governor, the speaker of the house, the senate president, and the governor's office for economic relief and recovery relative to fostering sustainable childcare opportunities within the state.

Health and Human Services

March 23, 2022

2022-1202s

05/10

Amendment to SB 450

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

1 New Hampshire Prescription Drug Affordability Board; Definition of Manufacturer. Amend RSA 126-BB:1, IV to read as follows:

IV. "Manufacturer" means a manufacturer of prescription drugs that are distributed in the state. A manufacturer excludes a packager, repackager, labeler, and relabeler ***unless the packager, repackager, labeler, or relabeler sets the price or controls the price of a prescription drug.***

2 New Hampshire Prescription Drug Affordability Board; Alternates. Amend RSA 126-BB:2, I to read as follows:

I. The board shall consist of 5 members with expertise in health care economics or clinical medicine, who shall not be, or be directly related to, anyone affiliated with, employed by, or representing the interests of a public payor, pharmaceutical or pharmacy company, pharmacy benefits management company, or health insurance provider and who have completed a conflict of interest statement. ***A member may be a legislator but is not required to be a legislator.*** They shall be appointed as follows:

(a) Two members by the president of the senate. The president of the senate shall also appoint ~~[one]~~ **2** alternate board ~~[member]~~ **members** who will participate in deliberations of the board in the event a member appointed by the president of the senate elects to be recused as provided in RSA 126-BB:3 ***or is absent.***

(b) Two members by the speaker of the house of representatives. The speaker of the house of representatives shall also appoint ~~[one]~~ **2** alternate board ~~[member]~~ **members** who will participate in deliberations of the board in the event a member appointed by the speaker of the house of representatives elects to be recused as provided in RSA 126-BB:3 ***or is absent.***

(c) One member by the governor. The governor shall also appoint ~~[one]~~ **2** alternate board ~~[member]~~ **members** who shall participate in deliberations of the board in the event the member appointed by the governor elects to be recused as provided in RSA 126-BB:3 ***or is absent.***

3 New Hampshire Prescription Drug Affordability Board; Executive Director. Amend RSA 126-BB:2, VI to read as follows:

VI. The board shall be administratively attached to the department of health and human services. The board may employ ***staff, including but not limited to,*** an executive director who shall be ~~[a-classified]~~ ***an unclassified*** employee. ***The executive director shall be appointed by and serve at the pleasure of the board.***

4 Salary; Executive Director of the New Hampshire Prescription Drug Affordability Board. The salary for the executive director of the New Hampshire prescription drug affordability board shall be determined after assessment and review of the appropriate temporary letter grade allocation in RSA 94:1-a, I(b) for the position which shall be conducted pursuant to RSA 94:1-d and RSA 14:14-c.

5 New Subparagraph; New Hampshire Prescription Drug Affordability Board; Conflicts of Interest. Amend RSA 126-BB:3, II by inserting after subparagraph (f) the following new subparagraph:

(g) Notwithstanding the prohibition in RSA 21-G:25, I, any person whose employer cannot and will not directly benefit from action taken or not taken by the board may be appointed to, and serve as a member of, the board.

6 Funding; Assessment of Fees. Amend RSA 126-BB:8, I(e) to read as follows:

(e) Annual assessments of not less than \$500 assessed by the board against prescription drug manufacturers, wholesale drug distributors, and pharmacy benefits managers, ***including those that process and pay claims on the basis of claims processed or paid for each plan sponsor.***

7 New Hampshire Prescription Drug Affordability Board; Assessments. Amend RSA 126-BB:8, II to read as follows:

II. The aggregate level of annual assessments under subparagraphs (c) and (e) shall be an amount sufficient to meet the board's expenditures authorized; ***provided that such amount shall not exceed 15 percent of the board's annual operating costs.*** The board may waive assessments otherwise due under subparagraphs (c) and (e) when a waiver is determined to be in the interests of the board and the parties to be assessed.

II-a. Any entity assessed a fee or other assessment under this section may appeal such action in accordance with RSA 541.

8 New Hampshire Prescription Drug Affordability Board; Rulemaking; Appeal. Amend RSA 126-BB:6, IV to read as follows:

IV. The appeals process for assessments issued by the board under RSA 126-BB:8.

V. Any other matter required to implement this chapter.

9 New Paragraph; New Hampshire Prescription Drug Affordability Board; Dedicated Fund. Amend RSA 126-BB:8 by inserting after paragraph II the following new paragraph:

III. There is established a nonlapsing fund to be known as the New Hampshire prescription drug affordability board administration fund, which shall be kept distinct and separate from all other funds. The fund shall be continually appropriated to and administered by the board. All fees and assessments collected under this section shall be deposited in the fund. The board shall use the fund, consistent with the provisions of this chapter, to receive funds and to reimburse costs incurred by the board. The fund may be used to pay administrative, technical, legal support, or other costs incurred by the board under this chapter. The state treasurer may invest moneys in the fund as provided by law, and all interest received on such investment shall be credited to the fund.

10 New Section; Criminal Penalty. Amend RSA 126-BB by inserting after section 9 the following new section:

126-BB:9-a Criminal Penalty. Any person who knowingly uses confidential information obtained pursuant to this chapter or knowingly discloses confidential information obtained pursuant to this chapter to any person not authorized to review such information shall be guilty of a misdemeanor.

11 New Subparagraph; Dedicated Fund. Amend RSA 6:12, I(b) by inserting after subparagraph (382) the following new subparagraph:

(383) Moneys deposited in the New Hampshire prescription drug affordability board administration fund, established in RSA 126-BB:8, III.

12 Repeal. RSA 126-BB:8, I(c)(4), relative to annual assessment of pharmacy benefits managers, is repealed.

13 Effective Date. This act shall take effect July 1, 2022.

2022-1202s

AMENDED ANALYSIS

This bill clarifies the definition of manufacturer for purposes of the prescription drug affordability board; expands the ability of alternates to sit on the prescription drug affordability board; changes the executive director position from a classified to unclassified position; clarifies the board's authority to assess fees; establishes a dedicated fund to support the board; and establishes a criminal penalty for violation of confidentiality requirements.

Senate Transportation

March 23, 2022

2022-1197s

12/04

Amendment to HB 1040

Amend RSA 21-J:49, II as inserted by section 1 of the bill by replacing it with the following:

II. The members of the commission shall be as follows:

(a) Four members of the house of representatives, appointed by the speaker of the house of representatives: 2 of whom shall be members of the house public works and highways committee; one of whom shall be a member of the house science, technology and energy committee; and one of whom shall be a member of the house ways and means committee.

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

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

(d) The commissioner of the department of safety, or designee.

(e) The commissioner of the department of environmental services, or designee.

(f) The commissioner of the department of transportation, or designee.

(g) One member from the New Hampshire Automobile Dealers Association, appointed by that association.

(h) One member representing an energy and transportation related non-profit organization, appointed by the governor.

Amend RSA 21-J:49, IV(a) as inserted by section 1 of the bill by replacing it with the following:

(a) Study alternatives to the road toll for electric-powered, hybrid, and fuel-efficient vehicles, and may study other emerging vehicle fuels and technologies, for funding improvements to the state's highways and bridges, ensuring that all motor vehicles contribute proportionally to their impact on New Hampshire's highway infrastructure, including vehicles registered out of state that may no longer be subject to the road toll.

Senate Transportation
 March 23, 2022
 2022-1207s
 08/04

Amendment to HB 1160

Amend the bill by replacing section 1 with the following:

1 Rules of the Road; Obedience to Signal Indicating Approach of Train. Amend RSA 265:48 to read as follows:

265:48 Obedience to Signal Indicating Approach of Train ***or Other Maintenance of Way On-Track Equipment.***

I. Whenever any person driving a vehicle approaches a railroad grade crossing under any of the circumstances stated in this section, the driver of such vehicle shall stop within 50 feet but not less than 15 feet from the nearest rail of such railroad, and shall not proceed until he ***or she*** can do so safely. The foregoing requirements shall apply when:

(a) A clearly visible electric or mechanical signal device gives warning of the immediate approach of a railroad train ***or other maintenance of way on-track equipment;***

(b) A crossing gate is lowered or a flagman gives or continues to give a signal of the approach or passage of a railroad train ***or other maintenance of way on-track equipment;***

(c) A railroad train ***or other maintenance of way on-track equipment*** approaching within approximately 1500 feet of the way crossing emits a signal audible from such distance and such railroad train ***or other maintenance of way on-track equipment,*** by reason of its speed or nearness to such crossing, is an immediate hazard;

(d) An approaching railroad train ***or other maintenance of way on-track equipment*** is plainly visible and is in hazardous proximity to such crossing.

II. [~~No person shall~~] ***He or she shall not*** drive any vehicle through, around, or under any crossing or barrier at a railroad crossing while such gate or barrier is closed or is being opened or closed.

Senate Executive Departments and Administration
 March 23, 2022
 2022-1214s
 10/08

Amendment to HB 1318-FN-LOCAL

Amend the bill by replacing section 1 with the following:

1 New Paragraph; Retirement System; Employers; Penalty for Noncompliance. Amend RSA 100-A:16 by inserting after paragraph VII the following new paragraph:

VIII. Any employer who fails to provide, within 30 days of a written request, any information required for the proper administration of the retirement system, including, but not limited to, termination forms; other information necessary to process a member's retirement application; information relating to service credit purchases; and information necessary to perform employer audits and process record corrections arising therefrom, shall be subject to a noncompliance penalty of \$200 per day. Before a penalty is assessed, the board shall notify the employer in writing of the noncompliance, identifying the reasons for the finding of noncompliance, and shall request the employer to explain to the board in writing within 30 days of the notification how the noncompliance occurred. Upon expiration of the 30-day period, the board may impose all or a portion of the penalty provided for in this paragraph, unless there is a showing that the employer did not willfully, intentionally, through gross negligence, or through a pattern of negligence, fail to provide the information as requested.

2022-1214s

AMENDED ANALYSIS

This bill establishes a penalty for noncompliance with certain requirements for administration of the retirement system applicable to retirement system employers.

Senate Transportation
 March 23, 2022
 2022-1195s
 04/10

Amendment to HB 1554-FN

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

AN ACT relative to online payment of fees relating to the operation of off highway recreational vehicles and snowmobiles, and relative to grants administered by the bureau of trails for OHRV trail development and maintenance.

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

1 New Section; Off Highway Recreational Vehicles; Online Payment. Amend RSA 215-A by inserting after section 44 the following new section:

215-A:45 Online Payment of Fees. The executive director shall, no later than September 1, 2025, establish any procedures that may be necessary to enable the online payment of registration fees required or imposed under this chapter.

2 New Section; Snowmobiles; Online Payment. Amend RSA 215-C by inserting after section 58 the following new section:

215-C:59 Online Payment of Fees. The executive director shall, no later than September 1, 2025, establish any procedures that may be necessary to enable the online payment of registration fees required or imposed under this chapter.

3 Department of Natural and Cultural Resources; Division of Parks and Recreation; Bureau of Trails; Grant-in-Aid. For the biennium ending June 30, 2023, and notwithstanding any provision of law or administrative rule to the contrary, the limitations on percentages of grant-in-aid administered by the department of natural and cultural resources, division of parks and recreation, bureau of trails, for the development and maintenance of OHRV trails on private, municipal, state, or federal lands shall be as follows:

I. For the grant period of June 1, 2021 to May 31, 2022:

- (a) Ninety percent of the cost of renting equipment required to complete a project.
- (b) Ninety percent of the cost of purchasing trail grooming equipment.
- (c) Ninety percent of the cost of reconditioning trail grooming equipment.
- (d) Ninety percent of the cost of operations for summer trail grading.

II. For the grant period of June 1, 2022 to June 30, 2023:

- (a) Eighty percent of the cost of renting equipment required to complete a project.
- (b) Sixty percent of the cost of purchasing trail grooming equipment.
- (c) Eighty percent of the cost of reconditioning trail grooming equipment.
- (d) Eighty percent of the cost of operations for summer trail grading.

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

2022-1195s

AMENDED ANALYSIS

This bill requires the executive director of fish and game to establish procedures for enabling online payment of registration fees. The bill also specifies percentages for the bureau of trails grant-in-aid program for the biennium ending June 30, 2023.

Senate Executive Departments and Administration
 March 23, 2022
 2022-1196s
 05/10

Amendment to HB 1681-FN

Amend the bill by replacing section 11 with the following:

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

HEARINGS

All Standing Committee hearings will be live streamed on the NH Senate's YouTube channel:

<https://www.youtube.com/NewHampshireSenateLivestream>

Links are also available on the Senate Meeting Schedule.



MONDAY, MARCH 28, 2022

ELECTION LAW AND MUNICIPAL AFFAIRS, Room 100, SH

Sen. Gray (C), Sen. Birdsell (VC), Sen. Ward, Sen. Soucy, Sen. Perkins Kwoka

- 1:00 p.m. **HB 1010-FN**, requiring municipal voter history to be made accessible in the state-wide centralized voter registration database.
- 1:15 p.m. **HB 1009**, requiring the date a person registers to vote to be included with other voter information.
- 1:30 p.m. **HB 1069**, relative to the election of village district commissioners.
- 1:45 p.m. **HB 1046**, relative to the election of the Sullivan county commissioners.
- 2:00 p.m. **HB 1081**, relative to the dissolution of a village district.
- 2:15 p.m. **HB 1567-FN**, relative to consequences resulting from election official misconduct.
- EXECUTIVE SESSION MAY FOLLOW**

TUESDAY, MARCH 29, 2022

COMMERCE, Room 100, SH

Sen. French (C), Sen. Gannon (VC), Sen. Bradley, Sen. Soucy, Sen. Cavanaugh

- 9:00 a.m. **HB 1039**, relative to the definition of "beverage manufacturer retail outlet" and certain liquor licenses and fees.
- 9:10 a.m. **HB 1558**, relative to insurance holding companies.
- 9:20 a.m. **HB 1559**, relative to laws administered by the insurance department.
- 9:30 a.m. **HB 1583-FN**, relative to days of operation of state liquor stores.
- 9:40 a.m. **HB 1613-FN**, relative to certain liquor manufacturers.
- EXECUTIVE SESSION MAY FOLLOW**

EDUCATION, Room 101, LOB

Sen. Ward (C), Sen. Hennessey (VC), Sen. Ricciardi, Sen. Kahn, Sen. Prentiss

- 9:00 a.m. **HB 1298-FN**, relative to eligibility for the education tax credit.
- 9:15 a.m. **HB 1193**, relative to chartered public school fees and enrollment policies.
- 9:30 a.m. **HB 1132**, relative to applications for a charter conversion school.
- 9:45 a.m. **HB 1513-FN**, relative to the definition of a child with a disability for purposes of special education.
- 10:00 a.m. **HB 1434-FN**, relative to the availability of school curriculum materials.
- EXECUTIVE SESSION MAY FOLLOW**

ENERGY AND NATURAL RESOURCES, Room 103, SH

Sen. Avard (C), Sen. Giuda (VC), Sen. Gray, Sen. Watters, Sen. Perkins Kwoka

- 9:00 a.m. **HB 624-FN**, relative to site evaluation committee monitoring and enforcement responsibilities.
- (THE PREVIOUS HEARING FOR HB 624-FN WAS RECESSED ON MARCH 22ND)**
- 9:15 a.m. Hearing on proposed Amendment #1221s, relative to the site evaluation committee monitoring and enforcement responsibilities, and relative to net metering by hydro-electric generators, to HB 624-FN, relative to site evaluation committee monitoring and enforcement responsibilities.
- 9:30 a.m. **HB 1328-FN**, authorizing a utility to petition to be relieved of their carrier of last resort obligations.
- 9:45 a.m. **HB 1459-FN**, relative to recycling solar panels.
- 10:00 a.m. **HB 1491-FN-L**, relative to natural gas transmission pipeline safety.
- 10:15 a.m. **HB 1546-FN**, defining PFAS and enabling the commissioner of the department of environmental services to adopt rules relative to airborne PFAS in certain circumstances.
- EXECUTIVE SESSION MAY FOLLOW**

FINANCE, Room 103, SH

Sen. Daniels (C), Sen. Reagan (VC), Sen. Giuda, Sen. Hennessey, Sen. Morse, Sen. D'Allesandro, Sen. Rosenwald

2:00 p.m. **EXECUTIVE SESSION ON PENDING LEGISLATION**

JUDICIARY, Room 100, SH

Sen. Carson (C), Sen. Gannon (VC), Sen. French, Sen. Whitley, Sen. Kahn

- 1:00 p.m. **HB 1067-FN**, relative to limitations on prosecution for first degree assault.
- 1:15 p.m. **HB 1335-FN**, relative to the parole board and the procedure for medical parole of prisoners.
- 1:30 p.m. **HB 1476-FN**, relative to persons arrested while out on bail.
- 1:45 p.m. **HB 1360-FN**, relative to penalties for controlled drug violations.
- 2:00 p.m. **HB 1597-FN**, permitting arraignments for felonies and preliminary examinations to be heard in circuit court.
- EXECUTIVE SESSION MAY FOLLOW**

TRANSPORTATION, Room 101, LOB

Sen. Birdsell (C), Sen. Watters (VC), Sen. Ricciardi, Sen. Ward, Sen. Sherman

- 1:00 p.m. Presentation on the 10-Year Transportation Plan
- 2:15 p.m. **HB 1038**, naming a bridge in Londonderry in honor of Robert J. Prowse.
- 2:30 p.m. **HB 1316**, directing the director of the state police to develop requirements for eFoil and electric hydrofoil surfboard watercraft.
- 2:45 p.m. **HB 1562**, clarifying the prohibition on using an electronic or telecommunications device while driving.
- 3:00 p.m. **HB 1109**, relative to approval for off highway recreational vehicles use on class IV, class V, and class VI roads.
- EXECUTIVE SESSION MAY FOLLOW**

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MOUNT WASHINGTON COMMISSION (RSA 227-B:3)

9:30 a.m. AMC Highland Center at Crawford Notch Regular Meeting
White Mountain National Forest US-302
Bretton Woods, NH 03575

SOLID WASTE WORKING GROUP (RSA 149:M:61)

9:30 a.m. NH DES Offices Regular Meeting
Room 208C
29 Hazen Drive
Concord, NH

<https://register.gotowebinar.com/register/944991081080221199>

HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE (RSA 126-A:13)

10:00 a.m. Rooms 210-211, LOB Regular Meeting

NEW HAMPSHIRE CANADIAN TRADE COUNCIL (RSA 12-O:22)

12:00 p.m. Room 100, SH Regular Meeting

MONDAY, MARCH 28, 2022

OIL FUND DISBURSEMENT BOARD (RSA 146-D:4)

9:00 a.m. Dept. of Environmental Services Regular Meeting
Rooms 111-113
29 Hazen Drive
Concord, NH 03301

LONG RANGE CAPITAL PLANNING AND UTILIZATION COMMITTEE (RSA 17-M:1)

9:30 a.m. Rooms 201-203, LOB Regular Meeting

The You Tube link to view the meeting livestream is;

<https://youtu.be/5Az4iNBhH08>

NEW HAMPSHIRE PRESCRIPTION DRUG AFFORDABILITY BOARD (RSA 126-BB:2)

10:00 a.m. HHS, Brown Building Auditorium Regular Meeting
129 Pleasant Street
Concord NH 03301

Please see the Board website for additional information regarding this meeting:

<https://www.dhhs.nh.gov/ombp/medicaid/nhpdab/index.htm>

CAPITAL BUDGET OVERVIEW COMMITTEE (RSA 17-J:2)

10:15 a.m. Rooms 201-203, LOB Regular Meeting

The You Tube link to view the meeting livestream is;

https://youtu.be/Z9B_wjrmUYE

COMMITTEE TO STUDY EXOTIC AQUATIC WEEDS AND EXOTIC AQUATIC SPECIES OF WILD-LIFE IN THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE (RSA 487:30)

11:00 a.m. NH DES Regular Meeting
 Room 208C
 29 Hazen Drive
 Concord, NH

COMMISSION TO STUDY TELEHEALTH SERVICES (RSA 329:1-f)

1:00 p.m. Room 103, SH Regular Meeting

EDUCATION FREEDOM SAVINGS ACCOUNT OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE (RSA 194-F:12)

1:00 p.m. Room 101, LOB Regular Meeting

COMMISSION TO STUDY OFFSHORE WIND AND PORT DEVELOPMENT (RSA 374-F:10)

4:00 p.m. NHDES Regional Office Regular Meeting
 Pease International Tradeport
 Room A, Suite 175
 222 International Drive
 Portsmouth, NH

FRIDAY, APRIL 1, 2022

JOINT COMMITTEE ON TAX EXPENDITURE REVIEW (RSA 71-C:3)

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

STATE HEALTH ASSESSMENT AND STATE HEALTH IMPROVEMENT PLAN ADVISORY COUNCIL (RSA 126-A:88)

9:30 a.m. UNH Law School Regular Meeting
 2 White St, Room 282
 Concord, NH 03301

COMMISSION TO STUDY THE INCIDENCE OF POST-TRAUMATIC STRESS DISORDER IN FIRST RESPONDERS AND WHETHER SUCH DISORDER SHOULD BE COVERED UNDER WORKERS' COMPENSATION (RSA 281-A:17-d)

10:00 a.m. NH Fire Academy Regular Meeting
 98 Smokey Bear Blvd
 Classroom 2
 Concord, NH 03301

COMMITTEE TO STUDY THE REGULATORY STRUCTURE OF CHARITABLE GAMING (SB 100, Chapter 221:1, Laws of 2021)

10:00 a.m. Room 100, SH Regular Meeting

ASSESSING STANDARDS BOARD (RSA 21-J:14-a)

11:30 a.m. Dept. of Revenue Administration Regular Meeting
 Training Room
 109 Pleasant Street
 Concord, NH 03301

COMMISSION TO STUDY ENVIRONMENTALLY-TRIGGERED CHRONIC ILLNESS (RSA 126-A:73-a)

12:00 p.m. Auditorium, Brown Building Regular Meeting
 129 Pleasant St
 Concord, NH 03301

SENATE LEGISLATIVE FACILITIES SUBCOMMITTEE (RSA 17-E:5)

1:00 p.m. Room 100,SH Regular Meeting

JOINT COMMITTEE ON LEGISLATIVE FACILITIES (RSA 17-E:1)

1:10 p.m. Room 100, SH Regular Meeting

MONDAY, APRIL 4, 2022**LEGISLATIVE ETHICS COMMITTEE (RSA 14-B:2)**

1:00 p.m. Room 104, LOB Regular Meeting

TUESDAY, APRIL 5, 2022**STATE VETERANS ADVISORY COMMITTEE (RSA 115-A:2)**

5:00 p.m. Edward Cross Training Center Facility Regular Meeting
722 Riverwood Drive
Pembroke, NH 03275

Zoom information can be provided by contacting Paul Lloyd at nhsvac.chair@gmail.com

FRIDAY, APRIL 8, 2022**COMMITTEE TO STUDY REQUIRING NEW HAMPSHIRE CHILDREN TO BE PLACED IN REAR FACING RESTRAINTS IN MOTOR VEHICLES (HB 251, Chapter 135:1, Laws of 2021)**

9:30 a.m. Room 104, LOB Regular Meeting

COMMISSION ON THE ENVIRONMENTAL AND PUBLIC HEALTH IMPACTS OF PERFLUORINATED CHEMICALS (RSA 126-A:79-a)

10:00 a.m. Regular Meeting

This meeting will take place by remote conference. To listen in please follow the instructions below:

Please register for HB 737 Commission Meeting on April 8, 2022 10:00 AM EST at: <https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/rt/5746796955811836429>

After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the webinar.

You also may join the meeting by phone:

Call in Number: 1 (415) 930-5321

Access Code: 613-661-216

Webinar ID: 754-256-707

The following email address will be monitored throughout the meeting by someone who can assist with and alert the committee to any technical issues: Amy.E.Rousseau@DES.NH.gov. You may also call Amy Rousseau at 603-848-1372.

LONG-TERM SEACOAST COMMISSION ON DRINKING WATER (RSA 485-F:6)

2:00 p.m. Stratham Municipal Center Regular Meeting
Hutton Room
10 Bunker Hill Avenue
Stratham, NH 03885

MONDAY, APRIL 11, 2022**COMMITTEE TO STUDY RAIL TRAIL MANAGEMENT PRACTICES (HB 311, Chapter 94:2, Laws of 2021)**

9:00 a.m. NH Dept. of Environmental Services Regular Meeting
29 Hazen Drive
Concord, NH 03301

NEW HAMPSHIRE OPIOID ABATEMENT ADVISORY COMMISSION (RSA 126-A:85)

1:00 p.m. DHHS Brown Auditorium Regular Meeting
 129 Pleasant St.
 Concord NH 03301
<https://nh-dhhs.zoom.us/j/3031726939?pwd=ckNDcmNyM1VJdGtsWWlDd2hCWlJYUT09>
 Meeting ID: 303 172 6939
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FRIDAY, APRIL 15, 2022**OVERSIGHT COMMISSION ON CHILDREN'S SERVICES (RSA 21-V:10)**

8:00 a.m. Room 100, SH Regular Meeting

FISCAL COMMITTEE (RSA 14:30-a)

10:00 a.m. Rooms 210-211, LOB Regular Meeting
 The You Tube link to view the meeting livestream is;
https://youtu.be/nO6Oa4EJ_II

MONDAY, APRIL 18, 2022**COMMISSION TO EVALUATE THE EFFECTIVENESS AND FUTURE OF THE NEW HAMPSHIRE GRANITE ADVANTAGE HEALTH CARE PROGRAM (RSA 126-AA:4)**

10:00 a.m. Rooms 210-211, LOB Regular Meeting

FRIDAY, APRIL 22, 2022**GOVERNOR'S COMMISSION ON ALCOHOL AND DRUG ABUSE PREVENTION, TREATMENT, AND RECOVERY (RSA 12-J:1)**

9:30 a.m. Fox Chapel Regular Meeting
 105 Pleasant Street
 Main Bldg.
 Concord, NH

SOLID WASTE WORKING GROUP (RSA 149:M:61)

9:30 a.m. NH DES Offices Regular Meeting
 Room 208C
 29 Hazen Drive
 Concord, NH
<https://register.gotowebinar.com/register/944991081080221199>

MONDAY, MAY 9, 2022**COMMISSION TO STUDY GRANDFAMILIES IN NEW HAMPSHIRE (RSA 170-G:17-b)**

1:00 p.m. Room 100, SH Regular Meeting

FRIDAY, MAY 20, 2022**NEW HAMPSHIRE RARE DISEASE ADVISORY COUNCIL (RSA 126-A:79)**

3:00 p.m. DHHS Regular Meeting
 Health Training Room
 3rd Floor
 29 Hazen Drive
 Concord, NH 03301
 Join Zoom Meeting
<https://nh-dhhs.zoom.us/j/3947758509?pwd=ekp1cjBacVRrTXA2dG1MSW1YL1NYZz09>

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OVERSIGHT COMMISSION ON CHILDREN’S SERVICES (RSA 21-V:10)
 8:00 a.m. Room 100, SH Regular Meeting

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NOTICES

TUESDAY, MARCH 29, 2022

Canadian Consul General to New England Rodger Cuzner invites New Hampshire state legislators to attend a dinner reception to celebrate the very special New Hampshire-Canada relationship.

The dinner reception will take place from 4:30 p.m. – 6:30 p.m. in the Webster Room at the Holiday Inn, 172 North Main Street, Concord, NH on Tuesday, March 29th.

We hope you and a guest can join us! For questions or more information, please don’t hesitate to contact Lisa Carrier at lisa.carrier@international.gc.ca or at 617-784-8266.

Senator Lou D’Allesandro

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TUESDAY, MARCH 29, 2022

Please join the Alzheimer’s Association for a virtual Legislative Briefing on Tuesday, March 29th from 5:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m. as we kick off our annual advocacy week. You will hear from advocates and staff on the state of Alzheimer’s in New Hampshire, hear about some of the progress we’ve made, and learn about our policy priorities for 2022. To register, visit: www.alzadvocacyNH.org

Senator Kevin Avar

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THURSDAY, APRIL 14, 2022

Join Stay Work Play New Hampshire for Crossover Coffee - an event bringing together legislators, young Granite Staters, and those who want to employ them - from 7:30 a.m. – 8:45 a.m., Thursday, April 14, at Brothers Cortado, 3 Bicentennial Sq., just two blocks from the State House. Please RSVP to kamini@stayworkplay.org.

Senator Erin Hennessey
 Senator Rebecca Perkins Kwoka

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HOUSE BILLS AMENDED BY THE SENATE

HOUSE BILLS: 84, 102, 292, 293, 307, 347, 381, 503, 1586

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ENROLLED BILL AMENDMENTS ARE AVAILABLE IN THE SENATE CLERK'S OFFICE FOR 2022 BILLS:

HOUSE BILLS: 440

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FISCAL NOTE ADDITIONS AND UPDATES HAVE BEEN AMENDED TO THE BILLS ON THE WEBSITE AND ARE AVAILABLE IN THE SENATE CLERK'S OFFICE FOR THE FOLLOWING 2021 - 2022 BILLS:

SENATE BILLS: 17, 69, 92, 144, 151, 153, 160, 161, 202, 212, 227, 233, 258, 261, 267, 269, 278, 286, 293, 299, 301, 302, 303, 306, 319, 324, 326, 346, 355, 363, 366, 379, 383, 385, 389, 394, 396, 401, 407, 408, 412, 414, 416, 417, 419, 420, 423, 424, 427, 429, 430, 431, 435, 440, 442, 443, 447, 452, 453, 456, 458, 459,

HOUSE BILLS: 95, 207, 233, 347, 381, 398, 412, 435, 481, 536, 583, 589, 597, 624, 1010, 1016, 1067, 1130, 1235, 1237, 1256, 1288, 1335, 1360, 1411, 1420, 1441, 1456, 1457, 1467, 1469, 1491, 1496, 1497, 1503, 1521, 1531, 1535, 1540, 1547, 1586, 1592, 1598, 1604, 1608, 1613, 1622, 1642, 1647, 1661, 1665, 1682

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SENATE SCHEDULE

Thursday, March 31, 2022	CROSSOVER – Deadline to ACT on all Senate bills.
Thursday, April 21, 2022	Deadline for Policy Committees to ACT on all House bills with a fiscal impact, except bills exempted pursuant to Senate Rule 4-5.
Thursday, May 5, 2022	Deadline to ACT on all House bills.
Thursday, May 12, 2022	Deadline to FORM Committees of Conference.
Thursday, May 19, 2022	Deadline to SIGN Committee of Conference Reports.
Thursday, May 26, 2022	Deadline to ACT on Committee of Conference Reports.
Monday, May 30, 2022	Memorial Day (State Holiday)
Monday, July 04, 2022	Independence Day (State Holiday)
Monday, September 05, 2022	Labor Day (State Holiday)
Friday, November 11, 2022	Veterans' Day (State Holiday)
Thursday, November 24, 2022	Thanksgiving Day (State Holiday)
Friday, November 25, 2022	Day after Thanksgiving (State Holiday)
Monday, December 26, 2022	Christmas Day (Observed) (State Holiday)