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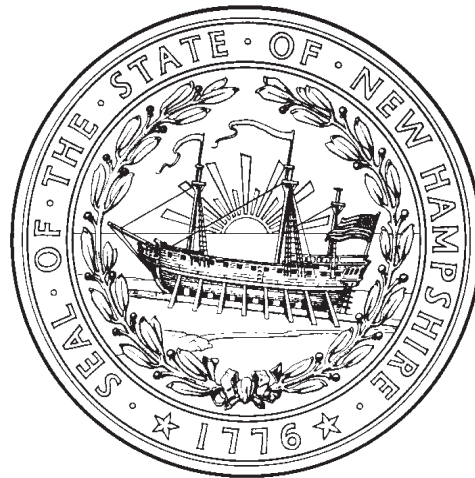
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## SENATE CALENDAR

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**THE SENATE WILL MEET IN SESSION ON THURSDAY,  
FEBRUARY 23, 2023 AT 10:00 A.M. IN THE SENATE CHAMBER**

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The Senate Session on Thursday, February 23, 2023, in the Senate Chamber  
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Thursday, February 23, 2023 at 10:00 A.M.

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## LAID ON THE TABLE

**SB 114-FN-LOCAL**, relative to payment by the state of a portion of retirement system contributions of political subdivision employers.**02/09/2023, Pending Motion OT3rdg, Finance, SJ 6**  
**SB 124-FN-A**, making an appropriation for the Eastern Slopes Regional Airport.**02/09/2023, Pending Motion OT3rdg, Finance, SJ 6**  
**SB 125-FN-A**, relative to annual grants to regional development corporations.**02/09/2023, Pending Motion OT3rdg, Finance, SJ 6**

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## CONSENT CALENDAR REPORTS

### COMMERCE

**SB 53-FN**, permitting the use of certain refrigerants that are in compliance with the American Innovation and Manufacturing Act.

Ought to Pass with Amendment, Vote 5-0.

Senator Chandley for the committee.

The American Innovation and Manufacturing Act allowed the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency to issue rules and regulations to phase out and restrict the use of hydrofluorocarbons (HFCs) in certain appliances and equipment. At the request of the industry, this bill would update state building codes to permit the use of alternative refrigerants. Providing greater certainty would enable the industry to move forward with new innovations. The Committee Amendment made a technical correction by changing the reference from 42 U.S.C. section 7675 to 42 U.S.C. section 7671k.

**SB 97-FN**, relative to the use of animals in product testing.

Re-refer to Committee, Vote 5-0.

Senator Ricciardi for the committee.

This bill would have prohibited the use of testing on animals for certain products, such as cosmetics, household cleaners, drugs, and medical devices. In addition, the NH Attorney General's Office would have been given the authority to bring civil suits against those using animals in their testing. At the public hearing, the Department voiced two concerns. First, this bill would create a new enforcement division. Second, the Department would need to hire specialized staff to evaluate and prove cases. There are 15 companies throughout the U.S. that conduct testing on animals, but there are none in New Hampshire. Their products, however, are on shelves throughout the state. Given previous legislative attempts and unanswered questions, the Committee adopted a motion of Re-Refer to provide the sponsor and stakeholders with additional time to come to a solution.

**SB 137-FN**, relative to nano brewery licenses and beverage manufacturers licenses.

Re-refer to Committee, Vote 5-0.

Senator Gannon for the committee.

Craft brewing has been a hopped up success story since the first Nano Brewer License was awarded in 2011. Each subsequent year more and more privileges have been added for craft brewers. The value of their rights has increased 1,000 percent. The debate now is, would this legislation simplify and streamline this industry or does this bill grant nano brewers the privilege of being a beverage manufacturer for free. The Commerce Committee believes it would be best to let the issue ferment and let the industry leaders come together and brew up a recipe for the proper mix needed in this legislation. The majority recommends re-refer and says cheers to that!

**SB 194**, allowing students under age 21 to taste wine in educational settings.

Re-refer to Committee, Vote 5-0.

Senator Innis for the committee.

This bill would have allowed educational institutions to provide sip and spit wine tastings to undergraduate students in supervised settings. Currently, 18- to 20-year-olds are allowed to tend bar, make mixed drinks, and handle alcoholic beverages in stores. While other states have passed similar legislation, the Committee felt there remained unanswered questions and concerns, such as the possible jeopardizing of federal highway funds.

**SB 198**, directing the insurance department to conduct a cost study of providing coverage for certain reproductive health care.

Ought to Pass, Vote 5-0.

Senator Chandley for the committee.

Unlike heterosexual couples, same sex couples are required to undergo additional testing prior to assisted reproductive treatment. This bill would direct the NH Insurance Department to examine the cost of group health insurance coverage for same sex and single individuals who are undergoing treatment to determine if parity can be reached.

**SB 202-FN-A**, relative to establishing a homeownership innovations fund in the New Hampshire housing finance authority.

Ought to Pass, Vote 5-0.

Senator Ricciardi for the committee.

Homeownership remains the cornerstone of the American Dream, and it is among the largest asset owned by an individual or a family. Between 2010 and 2020, the rate of homeownership in New Hampshire declined across all age demographics. Significant barriers, such as limited housing inventory and increased median housing prices, have continued to impact affordability for entry level homebuyers. This bill would establish the Homeownership Innovations Fund, which would be administered by the NH Housing Finance Authority, to help foster innovation and financing of starter homes. Pilot programs would explore innovative construction alternatives, such as modulars or 3D printed homes, while also ensuring homes are affordable for families.

## **EDUCATION**

**SB 93-FN-L**, relative to the individualized education programs of chartered public school students.

Re-refer to Committee, Vote 5-0.

Senator Ward for the committee.

SB93 would have modified the relationship between charter schools and district schools as it relates to students with disabilities covered by IEPs. SB93 would have shifted the responsibility of financing and the education of student IEPs from district schools to the charter school. The Committee elected to re-refer the bill following discussions with educators and the bill's sponsors. It became evident that more work was needed.

**SB 152-FN**, relative to New Hampshire workforce training programs.

Ought to Pass with Amendment, Vote 5-0.

Senator Fenton for the committee.

SB 152-FN is a bill seeking to establish and support a marine trades career development pathway with the creation of a workforce development and innovation fund under the Department of Education. SB 152-FN further establishes a workforce training center committee to oversee and monitor the program, coordinate between labor groups and career training centers, whilst compiling and submitting an annual report to the Governor. The intent of SB 152-FN is to enhance New Hampshire's competitive edge in the growing off-shore wind industry, while ensuring longevity and viability of New Hampshire's marine labor force.

**SB 215-FN**, relative to nursing certification requirements.

Ought to Pass with Amendment, Vote 5-0.

Senator Lang for the committee.

SB 215-FN is an act seeking to lower the barriers-of-entry for school nurse positions in the State. SB 215-FN amends RSA 200:29, IV, to permit the hiring of an associate degree nurse as opposed to exclusively one holding a bachelor's degree. Further, the bill extends the window for nurses to complete BSN programs to within six years of their respective hiring. The intent of SB 215-FN is to increase the supply of qualified school nurses available for hire, mitigating the labor shortage and relieving school budgets of having to accommodate and finance contracted nurses.

### **ELECTION LAW AND MUNICIPAL AFFAIRS**

**SB 158**, relative to absentee ballot outer envelopes.

Ought to Pass with Amendment, Vote 5-0.

Senator Gray for the committee.

This bill amends the absentee ballot process by requiring the clerks to open the outer envelope, upon receipt and review of the affidavit, in order to allow voters the opportunity to correct errors. Absentee ballots hand delivered to the clerk will no longer require the outer envelope. These changes will reduce the number of disenfranchised voters and provide support for election officials.

**SB 223**, relative to supervisors of the checklist.

Re-refer to Committee, Vote 5-0.

Senator Gray for the committee.

This legislation would change the term for Supervisors of the Checklist from six years to three years. In order for that change to take place, additional adjustments to the statute would be required. The bill also requires Supervisors of the Checklist to use the National Change of Address Database to identify voters. The Secretary of State's office is currently working on implementing a new system regarding the National Change of Address Database. Re-Referring this bill will allow the Committee to consider incorporating that system into the language as well as add the needed adjustments to statute.

### **ENERGY AND NATURAL RESOURCES**

**SB 162**, relative to exemptions from rabies vaccinations for dogs, cats, and ferrets.

Ought to Pass, Vote 5-0.

Senator Pearl for the committee.

Senate Bill 162 makes the initial period for an exemption from the rabies vaccination for dogs, cats, and animals annual with the recertification of a veterinarian. Immunization exemptions may be issued, where illness or a veterinary medical condition warrant, by the local rabies control authority upon the written recommendation of a veterinarian licensed under RSA 322-B, additionally the recommendation shall also be signed by an American College of Veterinary Internal Medicine diplomate and the state veterinarian. The exemption shall be valid for one year. After the initial year has expired and if the animal still qualifies for the exemption, the exemption shall be re certified by a veterinarian licensed under RSA 332-B on an annual basis.

**SB 163**, relative to agritourism and product sales at farms and farm roadside stands.

Re-refer to Committee, Vote 5-0.

Senator Pearl for the committee.

SB 163 is in relation to agritourism and product sales at farms and farm roadside stands. This bill defines "significant expansion" and allows municipalities to request information about product sales from a farm. The prime sponsor requested the Senate Energy and Natural Resources committee vote to SB 163 as re-refer to committee, so that the stakeholders could come together and reach a solution on the language of the bill. The Senate Energy and Natural Resources Committee voted SB 163 be rereferred to committee.

**SB 164-FN-L**, relative to biodiverse environments.

Ought to Pass with Amendment, Vote 5-0.

Senator Watters for the committee.

Senate Bill 164 defines biodiversity and requires its inclusion in the land and community heritage investment program. The first section of SB 164 includes findings which show the decline in the world's wildlife and that a large portion of land and bodies of water have been altered. The first section also states that the people of New Hampshire and future generations deserve a clean, healthy, and biodiverse environment. The second, third and fourth sections of SB 164 add biodiversity to the definitions of the land and community heritage investment program, easement interests, and eligible resource respectively.

**SB 226**, relative to the use of bait for hunting bear.

Inexpedient to Legislate, Vote 5-0.

Senator Watters for the committee.

SB 226 authorizes rules to be adopted for the use of bait in hunting black bear. The prime sponsor stated that this bill was introduced due to some confusion over the current statutes. The prime sponsor requested the Senate Energy and Natural Resources Committee to vote SB 226 as inexpedient to legislate. The Senate Energy and Natural Resources Committee voted SB 226 as inexpedient to legislate.

**SB 228-FN**, relative to the Hilton Park boat ramp.

Ought to Pass with Amendment, Vote 5-0.

Senator Watters for the committee.

Senate Bill 228-FN and the committee amendment establish a study committee to examine the Hilton Park Boat Ramp, dock repair and any construction needed. The study committee will consist of the Department of Transportation, the Department of Fish and Game, and the Pease Development Authority. The study committee will also consider the purchase of the site from the Department of Transportation and its transfer to a suitable entity to oversee the construction and operation of the facility, the cost of construction and maintenance, and any environmental impacts.

**SB 229-FN**, relative to administration of certain wetlands permits by the department of environmental services.

Ought to Pass, Vote 5-0.

Senator Birdsell for the committee.

Senate Bill 229-FN is concerned with the administration of certain wetland permits by the Department of Environmental Services. SB 229-FN makes various changes to the administration of certain wetland permits by removing language that is ambiguous and causes issues for applicants. By clearing up the application process, it will allow for applicants to more easily receive permits and to allow the Department of Environmental Services to appropriately distribute wetland permits.

## **EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENTS AND ADMINISTRATION**

**SB 44-FN**, relative to license requirements for certain alcohol and other drug use professionals.

Ought to Pass with Amendment, Vote 5-0.

Senator Carson for the committee.

SB 44 seeks to adjust and expand the licensing requirements for Master Licensed Alcohol and Drug Counselors in RSA 330 to include mental health and mental health disorders. The bill would expand the pool of bachelor's level students who qualify for licensure by allowing criminal justice majors to pursue a career more easily in treatment by removing the subjective process of the Licensed Alcohol and Drug Counselor Board.

**SB 67**, relative to changes to certain weights and measures statutes.

Ought to Pass with Amendment, Vote 5-0.

Senator Pearl for the committee.

SB 67 clarifies that field standards need to be verified upon their initial receipt and at intervals, as recommended by the National Conference on Weights and Measures Handbook 105 series pursuant to RSA 438:8, IV, thereafter by comparison with the state standards or standards of NIST recognized or accredited laboratories. The amendment removed the language regarding self-certification and clarified the rules and standards to which certifications were to follow.

**SB 75-FN**, relative to the division of personnel in the department of administrative services.

Re-refer to Committee, Vote 5-0.

Senator Carson for the committee.

SB 75 was filed at the request of the request of the Department of Administrative services. The bill creates a new chapter for the personnel appeals board and repeals 6 statutes related to the department of administrative services division. This bill would also allow the personnel appeals board's statutes to be moved into their own statutes rather than under the administrative services statutes since it is an independent body.

**SB 107**, relative to the general administration of regulatory boards and commissions.

Ought to Pass with Amendment, Vote 5-0.

Senator Carson for the committee.



This bill seeks to amend RSA 332G. Professional boards work to grow their respective professions, however, under the current law, professional boards are prevented from issuing licenses to individuals if they have a criminal record. SB 107 will make exceptions for non-violent criminals who are trying to reacclimate themselves into society. The amendment addresses issues that came up. This bill was a request of the OPLC and will make the process more consistent.

**SB 108-FN**, relative to participation of the New Hampshire public defender program in the state employee health insurance plan.

Ought to Pass with Amendment, Vote 5-0.

Senator Perkins Kwoka for the committee.

Current law omits public defenders from participation in State Employee Health Insurance Plan. SB 108 seeks to allow public defenders to purchase their health insurance through the state plan. If passed, SB 108 will require the public defender program to reimburse the state for the cost of all insurance premiums for all participating employees. The public defender program will also pay the same premium rates as those set for the majority of participating state employees. The amendment for this bill changes the effective date to upon passage.

**SB 126-FN**, relative to licensure requirements for telehealth services and relative to licensure of physicians and physicians assistants treating patients incarcerated with the department of corrections.

Ought to Pass with Amendment, Vote 5-0.

Senator Gendreau for the committee.

SB 126 is a request of the New Hampshire Department of Corrections and seeks to ensure that out-of-state mental health professionals who are providing Telehealth services to incarcerated individuals in New Hampshire are licensed by the proper New Hampshire licensing body. Out-of-state healthcare professionals treating patients in the custody of the Department of Corrections will be required to be licensed, certified, or registered by the appropriate licensing body within their state of practice.

**SB 146**, relative to the agricultural advisory board.

Ought to Pass with Amendment, Vote 5-0.

Senator Pearl for the committee.

SB 146 removes requirements for the terms of those on the Agricultural Advisory Board and at the request of Commissioner Jasper. The bill removes unnecessary language and makes it easier to re-appoint members.

**SB 148**, relative to the requirements for a plumbing apprentice.

Re-refer to Committee, Vote 5-0.

Senator Carson for the committee.

SB148 is a reintroduction of last year's SB 362. SB 148 is intended to add an exemption within the plumbing apprentice definition for those who successfully complete classroom training and accumulate a certain number of hours of field experience. The Mechanical Safety and Licensing Board recently put out new rules for the plumbing apprentice position and have requested additional time to complete the rulemaking process.

**SB 210-FN**, relative to the licensing of software applications by state agencies.

Re-refer to Committee, Vote 5-0.

Senator Carson for the committee.

SB 210 amends RSA 21-R:8-a by adding language that would require all software contracts entered into by a state agency to run and install on the hardware of the agency's choosing. The bill is intended to improve the state's negotiation ability, prevent restrictive software licensing terms, and ensure a greater choice to protect against surprise costs. This bill also seeks to adopt best practices designed to create greater clarity, innovation, choice, and security in cloud computing. The committee believes that it needs additional time to assess the benefits of this bill.

**SB 211-FN**, relative to background investigations of solid waste and hazardous waste facility permit applicants.

Ought to Pass with Amendment, Vote 5-0.

Senator Pearl for the committee.

SB 211 clearly defines the regulations and was requested by DES and DOJ to allow them to meet the requirements the legislature previously placed on them regarding background checks for solid waste

facility owners. The amendment replaces the entire bill and removes some of the onerous regulations in the original language as it came to members of the public who happen to have a greater than 10 percent share of a publicly traded solid waste facility company.

## **HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES**

**SB 85-FN-A**, relative to emergency behavioral health services and behavioral health crisis programs.

Ought to Pass with Amendment, Vote 5-0.

Senator Avar for the committee.

SB 85-FN-A defines behavioral health crisis programs within the mental health treatment laws, creates a commission to study behavioral health crisis programs, and limits pre-authorization requirements for emergency behavioral health services. The Committee Amendment reduces the legislative membership on the commission, adds a representative of the community behavioral health centers, and reflects a technical correction in Section 5 requested by the insurance carriers. This bill recognizes the severe crisis New Hampshire is facing with regard to behavioral health and take several critical steps to move the State forward in responding to the crisis.

**SB 127-FN**, relative to certain programs administered by the department of health and human services.

Ought to Pass with Amendment, Vote 5-0.

Senator Prentiss for the committee.

SB 127-FN is part of a multi-year effort by the Department of Health and Human Services to make technical changes and corrections to their statutes. The Committee Amendment makes several technical corrections, including statutory references, as well as extends out the reporting deadline for the Commission to Study the Delivery of Public Health Services Through Regional Public Health Networks. This bill, although longer than most bills, is an important clean up bill for the Department.

**SB 174**, relative to veterans access to health care.

Ought to Pass, Vote 5-0.

Senator Birdsell for the committee.

SB 174-FN repeals two unfunded statutes related to health care and mental health services for Veterans and instructs the Department of Health and Human Services and the Department of Military Affairs and Veterans Services to report to the Oversight Committee on Health and Human Services. This bill is a request of both departments and is supported by the State Veterans Advisory Council. The work intended by these two statutes is being done and retaining the statutes, even unimplemented, would inhibit this important work from being done.

**SB 178-FN-A**, relative to certain specialty formulas under Medicaid.

Ought to Pass, Vote 5-0.

Senator Whitley for the committee.

SB 178-FN-A prohibits the Department of Health and Human Services from requiring Medicaid beneficiaries to spend their own personal income on specialty formulas, food products, or enteral formulas and makes an appropriation to implement the provision. The Committee heard compelling testimony about the incredible costs families have to pay before their In and Out Medicaid kicks in. SB 178-FN-A will exempt critical specialty formulas from In and Out Medicaid coverage, ensuring families have access to essential foods necessary for their medical conditions.

**SB 233-FN-A**, re-establishing the Special Supplemental Nutrition Program for Women, Infants, and Children (WIC) Farmers Market Nutrition Program.

Ought to Pass, Vote 5-0.

Senator Whitley for the committee.

SB 233-FN-A re-establishes the Special Supplemental Nutrition Program for Women, Infants, and Children (WIC) Farmers Market Nutrition Program. This was a program that existed prior to 2011 but was repealed due to low redemption rates. SB 233-FN-A seeks to rectify this by supporting a transition to QR code-based vouchers and an increase in the benefit amount to \$30. This will help get more fresh, local fruits and vegetables to our most needy families while also providing vital support to our farmers' markets.

**SB 234-FN-A**, directing the department of health and human services to develop a public awareness campaign on brain health, Alzheimer's disease, and related dementias and making an appropriation therefor.

Ought to Pass with Amendment, Vote 5-0.

Senator Avar for the committee.

SB 234-FN-A directs the Department of Health and Human Services to develop a public awareness campaign on brain health, Alzheimer's disease, and related dementias and makes an appropriation to the Department for this purpose. The Committee Amendment ensures that the appropriation is non-lapsing, enabling the Department to do the work in a reasonable timeframe. In a rapidly aging state, Granite Staters need to be made aware of the signs and symptoms of Alzheimer's disease and the resources that are available.

**SB 238-FN**, relative to the use of telemedicine to treat mental health conditions.  
Ought to Pass with Amendment, Vote 5-0.  
Senator Prentiss for the committee.

SB 238-FN permits doctors and APRNs to use telemedicine to prescribe medication to treat mental health conditions. This is a continuation of a COVID-19 pandemic-era practice that has made mental health treatment available to a wider portion of the population. The Committee heard testimony about the safety protocols in place. This is an important policy that will help our providers address the growing mental health crisis in our state and continue access for patients when the national public health emergency ends.

**SB 240**, relative to conditions for genetic testing.  
Ought to Pass with Amendment, Vote 5-0.  
Senator Prentiss for the committee.

SB 240 permits disclosure of genetic testing or genetic analysis to clinical entities participating in processes related to clinical care of the patient or to clinical research. The Committee Amendment provides additional clarity about the issue of genetic analysis in clinical research. The Committee heard testimony that New Hampshire has the most strict laws on genetic testing and it is erecting barriers to care for Granite Staters facing serious medical diagnoses, including cancer and ALS. Passing SB 240 will open up new avenues for clinical protocols that could save lives today, or set a pathway to saving lives tomorrow. All patients have to give consent for their genetic analysis.

## **JUDICIARY**

**SB 26-FN**, relative to asbestos actions.  
Re-refer to Committee, Vote 5-0.  
Senator Gannon for the committee.

SB 26-FN would have allowed NH businesses who are named as defendants to be dismissed from a lawsuit when there is no evidence that the business caused the plaintiffs injuries. The defendant would be dismissed without prejudice so if the plaintiff later discovers tort damages caused by a dismissed party they could be brought back by the defendant into the litigation. This bill also sought to be transparent by letting the jury know that the injured party may be receiving an additional award from the National Asbestos Trust Funds. Although well intended the Committee felt it best to rerefer the bill to allow stakeholders the time to create a solution that protects both veterans and small businesses of New Hampshire.

**SB 38-FN**, amending the procedure for issuing a summons instead of an arrest.  
Ought to Pass with Amendment, Vote 5-0.  
Senator Gannon for the committee.

SB 38-FN would allow a peace officer to issue a summons instead of arrest if the peace officer has probable cause to believe the person has committed a misdemeanor or violation. Currently, valuable judicial and law enforcement resources are used when arrest warrants are issued for minor violations and misdemeanors. The Committee Amendment would make it so the statute would not apply if the peace officer has probable cause to believe that a person has committed abuse, violated a temporary or permanent protective order, or violated stalking provisions.

**SB 179**, relative to eliminating the use of seclusion as a form of punishment or discipline on children in schools and treatment facilities.  
Ought to Pass, Vote 5-0.  
Senator Whitley for the committee.

SB 179 prohibits the use of seclusion as a form of punishment or discipline on children in schools and treatment facilities. The committee heard compelling testimony that seclusion is harmful to a child's development, and should only be used in times of crisis for children or when they pose a threat to themselves or others. Used incorrectly seclusion can be extremely traumatic for a child.



**SB 180-FN**, relative to product labeling and information guide requirements for cannabis products.

Ought to Pass with Amendment, Vote 5-0.

Senator Whitley for the committee.

SB 180-FN would have revised the warning labels that are placed on marijuana products sold at alternative treatment centers; and required that a product information guide be distributed by the alternative treatment centers with their marijuana products. The Committee Amendment gives the Therapeutic Cannabis Oversight Board the authority to develop, review, and update cannabis product labels and educational material about the risks of cannabis use provided to qualifying patients by ATC and would clarify that the hemp law was never intended to allow unregulated THC products to be sold in New Hampshire. This bill will take a small step towards patient safety and move New Hampshire's marijuana labeling in line with federal requirements.

**SB 185-FN**, relative to protective services for vulnerable adults and the definition of abandonment.

Re-refer to Committee, Vote 5-0.

Senator Chandley for the committee.

SB 185-FN would have added the definition of abandonment to the protective services to adults subdivision of RSA 161-F on elderly and adult services. The prime sponsor requested that this bill be Rereferred to the Committee to allow additional time for stakeholders to discuss, analyze and evaluate the problem and targeted solutions. The Committee agreed and recommends SB 185-FN be Rereferred.

**SB 244-FN**, relative to false public alarms.

Ought to Pass with Amendment, Vote 5-0.

Senator Chandley for the committee.

Currently, most false reports of catastrophes or emergencies to governmental agencies constitute misdemeanors. SB 244-FN would make an exception to the penalty for false public alarm if the report concerns the presence of an active shooter; such action would now be a class B felony. The Committee Amendment adds the false reporting of an explosive device as a class B felony, as well. This bill is designed to hold those who perpetrate hoaxes accountable.

**SB 248-FN**, relative to bail for a defendant.

Re-refer to Committee, Vote 5-0.

Senator Abbas for the committee.

SB 248-FN would have amended the statute governing bail and pre-trial release to include provisions for pre-trial detention for commission of certain offenses that would create a presumption that the defendant is a danger to the public. Given there are numerous bail related bills, the Committee decided to Rerefer this bill to retain it for future legislation if necessary.

## **TRANSPORTATION**

**SB 187-FN**, relative to driver's licenses for certain visa holders.

Ought to Pass, Vote 5-0.

Senator Watters for the committee.

This bill prohibits a nonresident employed in New Hampshire through the federal H-2A temporary agricultural worker program from operating a motor vehicle unless they possess a license issued by another U.S. jurisdiction or meet other listed requirements. This bill would help to ease the worker shortage by allowing nonresident workers to have driver's licenses honored under U.S. jurisdiction.

**SB 257-FN**, relative to access to drivers' license information for legitimate business purposes.

Inexpedient to Legislate, Vote 5-0.

Senator Ward for the committee.

This bill would permit health care providers to obtain personal information from driver's licenses or nondriver's identification cards with the consent of the license holder, provided that the businesses meet certain restrictions regarding the collection, retention, and use of such information.

**SB 258**, relative to the disposal of highway or turnpike funded real estate.

Ought to Pass, Vote 5-0.

Senator Watters for the committee.

This bill creates an exception for the disposal of highway or turnpike funded real estate under fair market value for the preservation of public interest. The bill would allow for former highway real estate, like in the immediate case of a historic property in Newington, to be acquired and preserved by the town.

# REGULAR CALENDAR REPORTS

## COMMERCE

**SB 46**, relative to electronic payments to employee debit cards.

Inexpedient to Legislate, Vote 3-2.

Senator Soucy for the committee.

**SB 143-FN**, establishing a scholarship fund for certain small businesses applying for loans from the capital access program administered by the New Hampshire business finance authority.

Inexpedient to Legislate, Vote 3-2.

Senator Gannon for the committee.

**SB 144**, relative to the state minimum hourly rate.

Inexpedient to Legislate, Vote 3-2.

Senator Innis for the committee.

## EDUCATION

**SB 141-FN**, relative to administration of the education freedom accounts program.

Inexpedient to Legislate, Vote 3-2.

Senator Ward for the committee.

## ENERGY AND NATURAL RESOURCES

**SB 225**, reauthorizing the commission to study the assessing of power generation and utility transmission.

Ought to Pass with Amendment, Vote 5-0.

Senator Pearl for the committee.

## EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENTS AND ADMINISTRATION

**SB 134-FN**, relative to disability pensions for public safety employees who are victims of violence.

Re-refer to Committee, Vote 4-0.

Senator Carson for the committee.

**SB 207**, establishing a committee to study licensure of mental health professionals.

Ought to Pass with Amendment, Vote 5-0.

Senator Perkins Kwoka for the committee.

## FINANCE

**SB 51-FN**, creating a commission to study charitable gaming and historical horse races and relative to the moratorium on licensed historical horse racing facilities.

Ought to Pass with Amendment, Vote 7-0.

Senator Pearl for the committee.

**SB 55-FN-A**, making an appropriation for the Cannon Mountain tramway.

Ought to Pass, Vote 7-0.

Senator Birdsall for the committee.

**SB 69-FN**, relative to allowing certain nonprofits to participate as a customer-generator group hosts under net energy metering.

Ought to Pass, Vote 7-0.

Senator Pearl for the committee.

**SB 112-FN**, relative to pari-mutuel pools and historic horse racing.

Ought to Pass, Vote 7-0.

Senator Rosenwald for the committee.

**SB 119-FN**, relative to criminal background checks for charitable games of chance license applicants.

Ought to Pass, Vote 7-0.

Senator Innis for the committee.

**SB 128-FN**, relative to payment for legal services for persons involuntarily admitted for mental health services.

Ought to Pass, Vote 7-0.

Senator D'Allesandro for the committee.

**SB 129-FN**, relative to the payment of costs for indigent persons involved in mediation services.

Ought to Pass, Vote 7-0.

Senator Pearl for the committee.

**SB 138-FN-A**, making an appropriation to PFAS remediation fund grants.

Ought to Pass, Vote 7-0.

Senator Rosenwald for the committee.

**SB 157-FN**, relative to election audits.

Ought to Pass, Vote 7-0.

Senator Gray for the committee.

**SB 167-FN-L**, relative to green hydrogen energy and infrastructure.

Ought to Pass, Vote 7-0.

Senator Rosenwald for the committee.

**SB 172-FN**, allowing court-appointed guardians to receive Temporary Assistance to Needy Families benefits.

Ought to Pass, Vote 7-0.

Senator D'Allesandro for the committee.

**SB 190-FN**, relative to advanced deposit account wagering.

Ought to Pass, Vote 7-0.

Senator Birdsell for the committee.

**SB 191-FN**, relative to road toll registration surcharges for electric vehicles.

Ought to Pass, Vote 6-1.

Senator Birdsell for the committee.

**SB 230-FN-A**, making an appropriation to the department of environmental services for wastewater infrastructure projects.

Ought to Pass with Amendment, Vote 7-0.

Senator Gray for the committee.

### **HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES**

**SB 175-FN**, relative to Medicaid coverage for mothers.

Ought to Pass with Amendment, Vote 5-0.

Senator Whitley for the committee.

### **JUDICIARY**

**SB 58**, relative to arrests without a warrant while in the care of a medical professional on the premises of a residential care or health care facility.

Inexpedient to Legislate, Vote 3-2.

Senator Abbas for the committee.

**SB 117**, relative to the definition of a "child" for the purpose of negligent storage of firearms.

Inexpedient to Legislate, Vote 3-2.

Senator Gannon for the committee.

**SB 181-FN**, relative to access to abortion care.

Inexpedient to Legislate, Vote 3-2.

Senator Abbas for the committee.

**SB 184**, relative to the age at which a minor may receive mental health treatment without parental consent.

Inexpedient to Legislate, Vote 3-2.

Senator Abbas for the committee.

**SB 249-FN**, relative to the release of a defendant pending trial.

Ought to Pass, Vote 3-2.

Senator Abbas for the committee.

**SB 252-FN**, relative to release of a defendant pending trial.

Ought to Pass, Vote 4-1.

Senator Carson for the committee.

### **TRANSPORTATION**

**SB 186-FN**, relative to an electric bicycle low-income transportation incentive program and making an appropriation therefor.

Inexpedient to Legislate, Vote 3-2.

Senator Ricciardi for the committee.

### **WAYS AND MEANS**

**SB 104-FN-A**, to regulate online gambling and direct net proceeds to a community college education scholarship fund.

Ought to Pass with Amendment, Vote 4-1.

Senator Lang for the committee.

**SB 189-FN**, relative to the definition of gross business profits in determining taxable business profits.

Ought to Pass with Amendment, Vote 3-2.

Senator Murphy for the committee.

**SB 260-FN**, relative to deductions under the business profits tax for compensation of members and owners.  
Ought to Pass with Amendment, Vote 3-2.

Senator Lang for the committee.

**SB 261-FN**, relative to the interest and dividends tax rate and threshold.

Inexpedient to Legislate, Vote 3-2.

Senator Murphy for the committee.

**SB 262-L**, allowing municipalities to collect an occupancy fee from operators of local room rentals.

Inexpedient to Legislate, Vote 4-1.

Senator Innis for the committee.

## AMENDMENTS

Senate Judiciary

February 16, 2023

2023-0580s

07/05

### Amendment to SB 38-FN

Amend the bill by replacing section 1 with the following:

1 Arrests in Criminal Cases; Summons Instead of Arrest. Amend RSA 594:14 to read as follows:

594:14 Summons Instead of Arrest.

I. In any case in which ~~[it is lawful for]~~ a peace officer ~~[to arrest without a warrant a person for]~~ ***has probable cause to believe that a person has committed*** a misdemeanor or violation, ~~[he or she]~~ ***the officer*** may ~~[instead]~~ issue to the person in hand a written summons ***in lieu of arrest. This shall not apply if the peace officer has probable cause to believe that a person has committed abuse as defined under RSA 173-B:1, I, violated a temporary or permanent protective order issued under RSA 173-B or RSA 458:16, or violated stalking provisions under RSA 633:3-a. The summons shall be*** in substantially the following form:

The State of New Hampshire

To .....

You are hereby notified to appear before the ..... circuit court of the State of New Hampshire, district division, to be holden in ..... on the ..... day of ..... 20 ..... at ..... o'clock in the forenoon (afternoon) to answer to a complaint (to be filed in said court) charging you with ..... in violation of the laws of the State of New Hampshire. If you are charged with a class A misdemeanor or felony and you want a lawyer to represent you at the arraignment and throughout your case, but you cannot afford to hire a lawyer, you must fill out an application for court-appointed counsel and deliver it to the circuit court identified above as soon as possible. The court will appoint an attorney to represent you if your application shows that you are eligible. If you believe that you are eligible for appointed counsel, you may apply prior to your arraignment.

Hereof fail not, as you will answer your default under the penalty of the law in that behalf made and provided.

Pending appearance as described herein, you shall remain of good behavior.

Dated at

Name

the..... day of .....20.....

Title

Upon failure to appear or to remain of good behavior, a warrant of arrest may issue. Any person who fails to appear in answer to such summons shall be guilty of a misdemeanor.

II. A summons may be issued after an arrest for a misdemeanor or violation in lieu of bail.

Senate Executive Departments and Administration  
 February 16, 2023  
 2023-0578s  
 09/05

Amendment to SB 44-FN

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

1 Alcohol and Other Drug Use Professionals; Definitions. Amend RSA 330-C:2, I to read as follows:

I. "Advertise" means, but is not limited to, the attempt by a visual, oral, or written publication, dissemination, solicitation, or circulation to induce any person to do business with a licensed alcohol and drug counselor, ~~[or] a master licensed alcohol and drug counselor~~ **or a certified recovery support worker**.

2 Alcohol and Other Drug Use Professionals; Definitions. Amend RSA 330-C:2, IX and X to read as follows:

IX. "Continuum of care network" means public and private substance use care agencies such as detoxification centers, emergency rooms, hospitals, treatment centers, outpatient and day treatment clinics, and community residences for ~~[substance users]~~ **individuals with substance use disorder**.

X. "Co-occurring disorders " means a diagnosis that includes both a ~~[mental illness]~~ **mental health disorder** and substance use disorder.

3 Alcohol and Other Drug Use Professionals. Amend RSA 330-C:2, XII to read as follows:

XII. "Facility" means an alcohol and other drug use prevention, intervention, **recovery**, or treatment agency which is publicly or privately owned, for-profit or not-for-profit, and which is licensed, ~~[or] certified~~, or ~~[required]~~ **otherwise overseen or approved** to be licensed or certified by the state, or is under contract to a state agency.

4 Alcohol and Other Drug Use Professionals. Amend RSA 330-C:2, XV to read as follows:

XV. "Master licensed alcohol and drug counselor," or MLADC, means an individual licensed by the board to practice substance use, **mental health**, and co-occurring disorder counseling who meets the qualifications set forth in this chapter.

5 Alcohol and Other Drug Use Professionals. Amend RSA 330-C:2, XVII to read as follows:

XVII. "Peer collaboration" means ongoing regularly occurring clinical consultation with, or small group meetings among, MLADCs, LADCs or licensees of the board of nursing, the board of mental health practice, or the board of medicine, with expertise in substance use, **mental health** and co-occurring disorder counseling, at which clinical issues and/or cases are discussed.

6 Alcohol and Other Drug Use Professionals. Amend RSA 330-C:2, XIX to read as follows:

XIX. "Substance use disorder" means a disorder related to the taking of a drug, including alcohol **to the extent or frequency that it causes distress and results in a reduced ability to function psychologically, socially, occupationally, or interpersonally, as set forth in the current version of the Diagnostic and Statistical Manual of Mental Disorders of the American Psychiatric Association**.

7 Alcohol and Other Drug Use Professionals. Amend RSA 330-C:10, I to read as follows:

I. The scope of practice of the MLADC is the screening, assessment, diagnosis, treatment planning, and treatment of substance use disorders, **mental health disorders**, and co-occurring disorders ~~[only within the context of addressing substance use disorders]~~. The practice of alcohol and drug counseling and co-occurring disorder counseling includes the following performance areas which encompass the 12 core functions and practice dimensions of addiction counseling:

(a) The performance of clinical evaluations including the screening, assessment, and diagnosis of substance use disorders, ~~[and] mental health disorders~~ **and** ~~[when they are]~~ co-occurring ~~[with a substance abuse] disorders~~, and the performance of differential diagnoses. **This includes severity assessment and assessment of dangerousness to self or others;**

(b) The performance of treatment planning, case management, consultation, education, documentation, and client advocacy;



(c) The performance of counseling including:

(1) Individual, group, family, and significant other counseling;

(2) Crisis prevention and intervention ***to include enlisting the support of trained personnel to manage risk of harm to self or others;***

(3) Co-occurring disorder counseling with the use of integrated models of assessment, intervention, and counseling techniques ~~[within]~~ ***with and without the context or treatment of a substance use disorder;***

(d) Adherence to professional and ethical standards as determined by the board.

8 Alcohol and Other Drug Use Professionals. Amend RSA 330:C-16, I through II-a to read as follows:

I.(a) Have graduated with a minimum ~~[graduate degree]~~ of a 60-hour masters degree or advanced standing masters degree in clinical mental health, clinical psychology, substance use treatment, social work, ~~[or human services]~~ or equivalent~~;~~ ***with clinical internship and course work in assessment, diagnosis, and treatment of substance use and mental health disorders,*** ~~[with clinical course work and internship requirements],~~ from an accredited college or university, 300 hours of alcohol and drug use education, which may be included in the coursework of the master's program, and 300 hours of supervised practical training.

(b) Have graduated with a masters degree of less than 60 hours in a discipline described in subparagraph (a) and has completed the necessary additional hours of masters level course work as determined by the board pursuant to RSA 330-C:9, I(d).

II. ~~[Either hold a current LADC license or pass the testing procedures required under RSA 330-C:17, H.]~~ ***Pass testing procedures of a nationally recognized credentialing entity specified by the board. Such procedures shall be based on the core functions and practice dimensions of substance use and co-occurring disorders counseling.***

~~[H-a. Either hold a current license issued by the board of mental health practice or pass the examination approved by the board of licensing for alcohol and other drug use professionals to demonstrate competence to provide co-occurring disorder counseling within the context of substance use counseling.]~~

9 Alcohol and Other Drug Use Professionals. Amend RSA 330:C-17, I(b) to read as follows:

(b) Have graduated with a bachelor's degree in a clinical mental health, social work, psychology, substance use counseling, addiction studies, ***criminal justice***, human services discipline, or equivalent program from an accredited college or university, obtained 300 hours of alcohol and drug use education within the degree-granting program or separately, completed 4,000 hours of supervised work experience, and completed 300 hours of supervised practical training within the degree-granting program, as part of the supervised work experience or separately.

10 Alcohol and Other Drug Use Professionals. Amend RSA 330:C-24, II(c) to read as follows:

(c) For certified recovery support workers, ~~[12]~~ **24** hours of approved continuing education in the 24 months subsequent to the date of certification or re-certification.

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

Senate Finance  
February 15, 2023  
2023-0540s  
08/05

#### Amendment to SB 51-FN

Amend RSA 284:6-c, III as inserted by section 1 of the bill by replacing it with the following:

III. The commission shall examine how charities are selected and whether a uniform process should exist; whether the state should implement a limit on the number of charitable gaming locations; and whether charging rent to the charities is necessary with historic horse racing. The commission shall bring together different stakeholders to address these questions, and ensure those involved in the process have a voice in the discussion that will result in recommendations benefitting all stakeholders. The commission also shall monitor the benefits of historical horse racing to charities to ascertain whether additional licenses for historical horse racing machines would increase or reduce revenues to charities. The commission shall examine whether host communities should share in proceeds of any charitable gaming establishment.

Commerce  
 February 14, 2023  
 2023-0518s  
 05/04

#### Amendment to SB 53-FN

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

AN ACT permitting the use of certain refrigerants that are in compliance with the Clean Air Act.

Amend the bill by replacing section 1 with the following:

1 New Paragraph; State Building Code; Use of Refrigerants. Amend RSA 155-A:2 by inserting after paragraph V-b the following new paragraph:

V-c. No provision of the state building code and no local building code ordinance, regulation, or administrative practice shall prohibit or otherwise limit, the use of a refrigerant designated as acceptable pursuant to 42 U.S.C. section 7671k, provided that any equipment containing such refrigerant shall be listed and installed in accordance with safety standards and use conditions imposed pursuant to such designation.

2023-0518s

#### AMENDED ANALYSIS

This bill prohibits the state building code or municipal codes from prohibiting the use of refrigerants designated as permissible under the Clean Air Act, 42 U.S.C. section 7671k, if the equipment is installed in compliance with federal requirements.

Senate Executive Departments and Administration  
 February 16, 2023  
 2023-0569s  
 08/07

#### Amendment to SB 67

Amend the bill by replacing all after section 1 with the following:

2 Agriculture; Standards for Weights and Measures; Investigations. Amend RSA 438:11 to read as follows:

438:11 Investigations. ~~[The commissioner, or his inspectors at his direction,]~~ ***Under the direction of the commissioner, the director*** shall investigate complaints made ~~[to him]~~ concerning violations of the provisions of this chapter and shall, upon his ***or her*** own initiative, conduct such investigations as ~~[he deems]~~ ***deemed*** appropriate and advisable to develop information on prevailing procedures in commercial quantity determination and on possible violations of the provisions of this chapter and to promote the general objective of accuracy in the determination and representation of quantity in commercial transactions.

3 Agriculture; Standards for Weights and Measures; Field Standards and Equipment. Amend RSA 438:5 to read as follows:

438:5 Field Standards and Equipment. In addition to the state standards provided for in RSA 438:4, there shall be supplied by the state such "field standards" and such equipment as may be found necessary to carry out the provisions of this chapter. The field standards shall be verified upon their initial receipt and at ~~[least once each year]~~ ***intervals, as recommended by the National Conference on Weights and Measures Handbook 105 series pursuant to RSA 438:8, IV,*** thereafter by comparison with the state standards ***or standards of NIST recognized or accredited laboratories.***

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

Health and Human Services  
 February 16, 2023  
 2023-0584s  
 07/08

#### Amendment to SB 85-FN-A

Amend the bill by replacing all after section 2 with the following:

3 New Subdivision; Study Commission on Sustainable Funding of Behavioral Health Crisis Programs. Amend RSA 135-C by inserting after section 67 the following new subdivision:

Study Commission on Sustainable Funding of Behavioral Health Crisis Programs

135-C:68 Commission on Behavioral Health Crisis Services Established.

I. There is established a study commission on sustainable funding of behavioral health crisis programs.

(a) The study commission's duties shall include, but not be limited to:

(1) Studying the models used in other regions and states for sustainable financing for delivery of behavioral health crisis programs.

(2) Discussing the feasibility of implementing different models for sustainable financing for delivery of behavioral health crisis programs.

(3) Identifying and recommending means to establish sustainable financing for delivery of behavioral health crisis programs, both legislative and non-legislative.

(4) Creating a report on the available sustainable funding sources available for financing delivery of behavioral health crisis programs

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

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

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

(3) The commissioner of the department of health and human services, or designee.

(4) The director of the department of safety, division of emergency services and communications (E 911), or designee.

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

(6) One representative from the National Alliance on Mental Illness of New Hampshire, appointed by that organization.

(7) One representative of the New Hampshire Community Behavioral Health Association, appointed by the association.

(8) One representative of the New Hampshire Hospital Association, appointed by the association.

(9) One representative of New Futures, appointed by the organization.

(10) One representative of the University of New Hampshire Institute on Health Policy and Practice, appointed by that organization.

(11) One representative from each of New Hampshire's 2 centers participating in the National Suicide Prevention Lifeline network.

(12) One representative of America's Health Insurance Plans (AHIP), appointed by the association.

(13) One representative of community mental health centers appointed by the Bi-State Primary Care Association.

(c) All appointing authorities shall coordinate their appointments so that diversity of gender, race, sexual and gender orientation, and geographical areas is reflective of the makeup of this state.

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

(e) The 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. Ten members of the commission shall constitute a quorum.

(f) The commission 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, 2024. The chairperson of the study commission shall electronically file the final report with the clerk of the house of representative or clerk of the senate, and the clerks of the respective bodies shall post the report on the general court website. The clerks of the respective bodies shall then send a copy of the report to the standing committee of each body with jurisdiction over the subject matter of the report.

4 Insurance; Coverage for Emergency Services; Definitions. Amend the introductory paragraph of RSA 417-F:1, I to read as follows:

I. "Emergency services" means health care services that are provided to an enrollee, insured, or subscriber in a licensed hospital emergency facility **or as set out in RSA 417-F:5** by a provider after the sudden onset of a medical **or mental health** condition **or substance use disorder** that manifests itself by symptoms of sufficient severity that a prudent layperson with average knowledge of health and medicine could reasonably expect that the absence of immediate medical **or mental health** attention could be expected to result in any of the following:

5 New Section; Coverage for Emergency Services; Emergency Mental Health Services. Amend RSA 417-F by inserting after section 4 the following new section:

417-F:5 Emergency Mental Health Services. Whenever mental health services are a covered benefit under a health benefit plan subject to this chapter, community based mental health crisis intervention services that otherwise meet the definition of emergency services as set out in RSA 417-F:1, I shall be treated as emergency services under this chapter without the requirement of being provided in a licensed hospital emergency facility if such services are provided under the program established in RSA 167:3-1, III.

6 Repeal. RSA 135-C:68, relative to the study commission on sustainable funding of behavioral health crisis programs, is repealed.

7 Effective Date.

I. Section 6 of this act shall take effect November 1, 2024.

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

Senate Ways and Means

February 8, 2023

2023-0438s

02/10

#### Amendment to SB 104-FN-A

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

1 New Subparagraph; Online Gambling. Amend RSA 647:2, V by inserting after subparagraph (f) the following new subparagraph:

(g) Gambling done over an Internet connection on a website on the Internet.

2 New Subdivision; Community College Scholarship Program and Fund. Amend RSA 195-H by inserting after section 14 the following new subdivision:

#### Community College Scholarship Program and Fund

195-H:15 Definitions. In this subdivision:

I. "Eligible institution" means a postsecondary educational institution within the community college system of New Hampshire as defined in RSA 188-F.

II. "Eligible student" means a student who meets the eligibility and residency requirements of RSA 195-H:17 and who enrolls in a course or program of study determined by the community college system of New Hampshire to be eligible for funding under this section.

III. "Eligible costs" may include tuition, registration fees, books, lab and other mandatory fees that are determined by the community college system of New Hampshire to be part of the cost to successfully complete a course or program, and may include the costs of credit and non-credit offerings.

195-H:16 Community College Scholarship Program and Fund Established.

I. There is hereby established the community college scholarship program and the community college scholarship fund. The program and fund shall be administered by the community college system of New Hampshire board of trustees. The fund shall be kept distinct and separate from all other funds and shall be used to provide scholarships which a recipient shall apply to the costs of an education at an eligible institution. The funds shall be distributed to an eligible institution for eligible students who incur eligible expenses that are not already offset by funds drawn from other federal, state, institutional, or philanthropic sources, and upon receipt of a request for reimbursement for such scholarship funds accompanied by appropriate documentation.

II. The state treasurer shall credit to the fund any appropriation relating to the community college scholarship fund made in each fiscal year to the board. The state treasurer shall invest the fund in accordance with RSA 6:8. Any earnings shall be added to the fund.

III. All moneys in the fund shall be nonlapsing and continually appropriated to the board for the purposes of this subdivision.

IV. The board may institute promotional programs and solicit and receive cash gifts or other donations for the purpose of supporting educational scholarships from the fund. The board shall not solicit or accept real property.

V. All gifts, grants, and donations of any kind shall be credited to the fund.

#### 195-H:17 Eligibility.

I. Any person who meets the following requirements shall be an eligible student:

(a) A person eligible for scholarship funds under this section must be a New Hampshire resident as defined by the board of trustees.

(b) A person shall meet the qualifications for academic performance or work experience as established by the board of trustees.

(c) A person shall have an annual household income at the time the student applies for the program of less than or equal to \$100,000.

II. Funds awarded under this section shall be made on a first come first served basis and the community college system of New Hampshire shall not be obligated to pay or waive costs in excess of the funds available.

#### 195-H:18 Procedures.

I. All scholarship funds shall be distributed to the eligible student by the eligible institution. The institution shall include the scholarship in the student's financial aid package or on the student's bill, and may seek subsequent reimbursement. The state shall provide the reimbursements twice per year to each eligible institution for the eligible students enrolled in the current semester or term or within the previous six-month period who are receiving a scholarship. The institution shall submit the lists of scholarship recipients to the board of trustees or its designee no later than November 30 and April 30, respectively, of each academic year, and shall be reimbursed within 30 days of submission.

II. In the case of credit programs, a student is eligible for a scholarship having completed the course with a grade of C- or better. In the case of non-credit programs, a student is eligible for a scholarship upon enrollment and reimbursement will occur on the same timetable established in paragraph I.

III. The eligible institution shall not reduce any merit or need-based grant aid that would have otherwise been provided to the eligible student. An eligible student may receive an annual scholarship for a maximum of 2 years.

IV. The board of trustees shall adopt rules, pursuant to RSA 541-A, relative to awarding and disbursing scholarship funds to an eligible student enrolled in an eligible institution.

V. Beginning in 2024, the board of trustees shall submit a report by November 1 of each year including the amount of scholarships awarded under this section and the program areas for which such awards were made, to the chairs of the house and senate education committees, the governor, and the commissioner of the New Hampshire department of education. Such report shall not include personally identifiable information of any student.

3 New Chapter; Online Gaming. Amend RSA by inserting after chapter 287-I the following new chapter:



## CHAPTER 287-J ONLINE GAMING

287-J:1 Definitions. In this chapter:

I. “Agent” means a party who is authorized by contract or agreement with the commission to conduct online gaming.

II. “Authorized online gaming bettor” means an individual 18 years of age or older who is physically present in the state of New Hampshire, or otherwise permitted to place a wager by law, when placing an online gaming wager with the commission or an authorized agent of the commission and is not a prohibited online gaming bettor.

III. “Commission” means the lottery commission.

IV. “Director” means the executive director of the lottery commission or designee.

V. “Online gaming wagering platform” means the combination of hardware, software, and data networks used to manage, administer, record, and/or control online gaming wagers.

VI. “Online gaming wager” means cash or cash equivalent paid by an individual to participate in online gaming wagering.

VII. “Online gaming” means games of chance as defined by RSA 287-D:1, III as may be approved by the director, including but not limited to poker, blackjack, cards, roulette, craps, baccarat or other style games in which an individual wagers money or something of monetary value for the opportunity to win money or something of monetary value, and which is offered on an online gaming platform including by electronic communication through Internet websites accessed via a mobile device or computer and mobile device applications. The term does not include sports wagering conducted under RSA 287-I or paid fantasy sports games conducted under RSA 287-H, games of chance conducted under RSA 287-D, Internet lottery conducted under RSA 284:21-h, or historic horse racing as defined under RSA 284:22-b.

VIII. “Permissible jurisdiction” means another jurisdiction from which wagers may be accepted under an interstate gaming reciprocal agreement.

IX. “Prohibited online gaming bettor” means:

(a) Any member or employee of the commission and any spouse, child, sibling, or parent residing in the same household as a member or employee of the commission.

(b) Any principal or employee of any agent.

(c) Any contractor of the commission or its agents when such contract relates to the conduct of online gaming wagering.

(d) Any contractor or employee of an entity that conducts online gaming wagering in another jurisdiction when the bettor possesses confidential nonpublic information as a result of his or her contract or employment relating to the wager being placed.

(e) Any individual placing a wager as an agent of or proxy for a prohibited online gaming bettor.

(f) Any person under the age of 18

287-J:2 Online Gaming Authorized; Commission. The commission is authorized to operate online gaming for the purposes of accepting and paying wagers by authorized online gaming bettors within the state or other authorized jurisdiction as authorized under RSA 287-J:8 in conformance with the requirements of this chapter.

287-J:3 Commission Agents. The commission shall conduct online gaming through agents selected through a competitive bid process and approved by the governor and executive council. Any such contract shall be based on the state receiving a percentage of revenue from online gaming activities within the state. The commission shall ensure that an agent demonstrates financial stability, responsibility, good character, honesty, and integrity. In selecting an agent, the commission shall consider, at a minimum, the experience and background of the agent, the agent’s mobile and Internet capabilities, the agent’s contribution to economic development within the state, the agent’s commitment to prevention of problem gambling, to responsible gaming, and to integrity in Internet gaming. The commission shall select one or more bidders who best meet the criteria set forth in this paragraph and select from that group the agents whose bids provide the state with the highest

percentage of revenue from the Internet gaming activities covered by the bids, provided that the commission determines that the bidder's commitment to return said revenue percentage to the state is consistent with the bidder's commitment to meet all other criteria specified in the bid request and in applicable law. All agents shall be subject to criminal and financial background checks as prescribed by the commission.

287-J:4 Online Gaming Wagering Authorized. The commission and its agents are authorized to operate online gaming through an online gaming wagering platform by mobile devices or over the Internet. With respect to online gaming wagers, the commission, either independently, or through its agent, shall provide:

I. Age verification measures to be undertaken to block access to and prevent online gaming wagers by persons under the age of 18 years.

II. Identity verification through secure online databases or by examination of photo identification.

III. Geographic restrictions to ensure that online gaming wagers must be initiated and received within the geographic borders of the state of New Hampshire or a permissible jurisdiction, and are not intentionally routed outside of the state. The incidental intermediate routing of a mobile online gaming wager shall not determine the location or locations in which such a wager is initiated, received, or otherwise made.

IV. Wager limits for daily, weekly, and monthly amounts consistent with the best practices in addressing problem gambling.

V. A voluntary self-exclusion program for players to self-exclude themselves from online gaming wagering for set periods of time.

VI. Security mechanisms to ensure the confidentiality of wagering and personal and financial information except as otherwise authorized by this chapter.

287-J:5 Online Gaming Wagering Supervision. The commission shall create a division of online gaming wagering which shall be responsible for ensuring compliance with the requirements of this chapter and any rules adopted by the commission in accordance with the authorities granted under this chapter. In addition, the division, under the direction of the director and commission, shall ensure that the commission's agents and vendors comply with the following obligations:

I. Each agent engaged in online gaming wagering shall submit a security and internal control report for the division's review and approval prior to conducting any online gaming wagering within the state and every year thereafter. This report shall address all aspects of security and controls including physical security, personnel security, and computer systems security including:

(a) Employment background checks and policies.

(b) Automated and manual risk management procedures.

(c) Procedures for identifying and reporting fraud and suspicious conduct.

(d) Any and all monitoring systems utilized by the agents to report and receive information on suspicious betting conduct.

(e) Systems and procedures to prevent prohibited online gaming bettors from placing wagers.

(f) Description of anti-money laundering compliance standards.

(g) Descriptions of all integrated third-party systems or components and the security procedures relating to those systems.

II. For each wagering computer system used to conduct online gaming wagering, including all mobile online gaming wagering platforms within the state, the agent providing such system shall provide a detailed computer system security report to be approved by the commission prior to the acceptance of wagers and each year thereafter. The report shall address the issues set forth in the security and internal control report along with the following:

(a) Documented system security testing performed by a licensed third-party contractor approved by the commission.

(b) A description of all software applications that comprise the system.

(c) A procedure for third-party auditing of financial transactions received by the system.

- (d) A description of all types of wagers supported by the system.
- (e) Unique identification and verification systems for wagers.
- (f) A list of data recorded relating to each wager.
- (g) System redundancy to ensure recording of wagers during a system outage.
- (h) A mechanism to provide read only access to the commission to the back office system for the purposes of reviewing and auditing wagering activities.
- (i) Integration with an independent control system to ensure integrity of system wagering information.
- (j) Capabilities for freezing or suspending wagering across the platform.
- (k) Any other issue identified by the division upon review of the proposed gaming system.

III. Each agent engaged in online gaming wagering shall submit rules for each online game for the division's review and approval prior to conducting any online gaming within the state and every year thereafter. These rules for each online game shall include at a minimum:

- (a) The method for calculation and payment of winning wagers.
- (b) Treatment of errors.
- (c) Method of contacting the agents for questions or complaints.
- (d) The policies and procedures in place for limiting or banning a player from the online gaming wagering platform.
- (e) The method and location for posting and publishing the rules for each online game.

IV. Each agent engaged in online gaming wagering shall submit accounting controls for the division's review and approval prior to conducting any online gaming wagering within the state and every year thereafter. These accounting controls shall include at a minimum:

- (a) A process for documenting and verifying beginning of day cash balance.
- (b) The establishment of a segregated account related to New Hampshire online gaming wagering activities.

V. The commission's agents shall submit a responsible gaming plan for the division's review and approval prior to conducting any online gaming wagering within the state and every year thereafter. This plan should include identification of posting and materials related to problem gaming, resources to be made available to bettors expressing concerns about problem gaming, house imposed player limits, and self-exclusion programs.

VI. The commission's agents shall maintain a cash reserve available to pay wagers as determined by the commission.

VII. The commission's agents shall not accept any wager on an online game unless it has received approval from the commission to conduct that type of online game.

VIII. Wagers made under this section shall be made with:

- (a) Cash.
- (b) Cash equivalent.
- (c) PayPal.
- (d) Debit card.
- (e) ACH.
- (f) Promotional funds.
- (g) Any other means approved by the executive director.

287-J:6 Proceeds to Education Fund. The proceeds received by the commission from online gaming wagering, less the administrative costs of the commission, prizes paid, and payments for problem gambling services, shall be deposited in the community college scholarship fund established in RSA 195-H:16.

287-J:7 Limitations on Online Gaming Wagers. The commission and its agents are prohibited from the following activities:

I. Accepting or making payment relating to online gaming wagers made by prohibited online gaming bettors.

II. Accepting online gaming wagers from persons who are physically outside of the state of New Hampshire at the time of the online gaming wager.

III. Accepting online gaming wagers from persons outside of the state of New Hampshire not in compliance with RSA 287-J:8.

287-J:8 Acceptance of Out-of-State Wagers. Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the contrary, wagers may be accepted pursuant to this chapter from persons who are not physically present in the state of New Hampshire if the commission has determined that:

(a) Accepting the wagers is not inconsistent with federal law or the laws of New Hampshire; or

(b) The wagering is conducted pursuant to a reciprocal agreement to which the state of New Hampshire is a party that is not inconsistent with federal law.

287-J:9 Financial Reports. The commission may seek financial and compliance reports from its agents periodically and may conduct audits of these reports to ensure that the state receives the agreed upon revenue sharing proceeds.

287-J:10 Compliance Reviews. The commission shall retain oversight of its agents to ensure that all online gaming wagering activities are conducted in accordance with this chapter and any rules adopted by the commission.

287-J:11 Rulemaking. The commission shall adopt rules, pursuant to RSA 541-A, relative to the operation, conduct, location, and oversight of online gaming wagering. The commission may enact emergency rules, which will take effect upon approval.

287-J:12 Prohibition on Authorization of Online Gaming Agents Operating in Terror States and Illegal Markets.

I. Prior to the authorization of an agent under this section, the commission shall conduct a comprehensive investigation of the prospective agent to determine whether the agent or any of its affiliates, including entities under common control, is knowingly:

(a) Accepting revenue, directly or indirectly, derived from any jurisdiction sanctioned by the Office of Foreign Assets Control (OFAC) of the United States Treasury; or

(b) Accepting or assisting, directly or indirectly, in the acceptance of online wagers or consideration related to online wagering from any country in which such online gaming is prohibited or illegal.

II. The commission shall not authorize an agent under this section if the commission determines that the agent or any of its affiliates, including entities under common control, is knowingly:

(a) Accepting revenue, directly or indirectly, derived from any jurisdiction sanctioned by the Office of Foreign Assets Control (OFAC) of the United States Treasury Department; or

(b) Accepting or assisting, directly or indirectly, in the acceptance of online wagers or other consideration related to online wagering from any country in which such online gaming is prohibited or illegal.

III. If at any time during authorization the commission determines that the agent or any of its affiliates, including entities under common control, is knowingly:

(a) Accepting revenue, directly or indirectly, derived from any jurisdiction sanctioned by the Office of Foreign Assets Control (OFAC) of the United States Treasury Department; or

(b) Accepting or assisting, directly or indirectly, in the acceptance of online wagers or other consideration related to online wagering from any country in which such online gaming is prohibited or illegal, the commission shall impose discipline up to and including revocation of the license held by the agent.

4 Effective Date. This act shall take effect January 1, 2024.

Senate Executive Departments and Administration  
 February 16, 2023  
 2023-0587s  
 09/08

#### Amendment to SB 107

Amend RSA 332-G:10, III as inserted by section 4 of the bill by replacing it with the following:

III. The board or commission considering a petition shall follow the same standard and process set forth in paragraph I, and issue its determination within 90 days after the board or commission receives the petition. The determination shall be in writing and include the criminal record, findings of fact, and conclusions of law.

Amend RSA 332-G:10, V as inserted by section 4 of the bill by replacing it with the following:

V. The individual may appeal the determination in paragraph III as provided for in RSA 541.

Senate Executive Departments and Administration  
 February 16, 2023  
 2023-0568s  
 05/07

#### Amendment to SB 108-FN

Amend the bill by replacing section 2 with the following:

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

Senate Executive Departments and Administration  
 February 16, 2023  
 2023-0573s  
 05/07

#### Amendment to SB 126-FN

Amend the bill by replacing section 2 with the following:

2 Office of Professional Licensure; Physician and Physician Assistant Licensure. Amend RSA 310-A:1-ff to read as follows:

310-A:1-ff Physician and Physician Assistant Licensure Pursuant to Reciprocity Agreement. The office of professional licensure and certification shall seek reciprocity agreements with states that have licensure requirements for physicians and physicians' assistants that are substantially equivalent to this state, as determined by the board of medicine. The office of professional licensure and certification shall issue licenses to individuals who demonstrate they have a license in good standing from a state that is a party to such agreement, and pay the requisite fee, in accordance with rules adopted by the executive director under RSA 541-A. ***Out-of-state health care professionals treating patients in the custody of the department of corrections shall be required to be licensed, certified, or registered by, and in good standing with, the appropriate licensing body within their state of practice.***

Health and Human Services  
 February 16, 2023  
 2023-0574s  
 07/05

#### Amendment to SB 127-FN

Amend the bill by replacing section 6 with the following

6 New Paragraph; Assisted Living Residences, Independent Living Retirement Communities and Housing for Older Persons. Amend RSA 161-J:4 by inserting after paragraph II the following new paragraph:

III. A residential services agreement shall not require payment from a third party for any services included in the base rate. Nothing in this section shall prohibit an assisted living residence, independent retirement community, or housing for older persons from seeking payment from a resident's insurance. Nothing in this section



shall prohibit a third party from agreeing to pay for additional items or services not included in the base rate, such as cable television. Nothing in this section shall prohibit a third party from agreeing to pay for upgrades to services included in the base rate, such as an additional fee for a private room instead of a shared room.

Amend the bill by replacing all after section 10 with the following:

11 Human Services; SNAP Program; Overpayment. Amend RSA 161:10 to read as follows:

161:10 ~~[Food Stamp]~~ **Supplemental Nutrition Assistance** Program; Overpayment. To the extent permitted by the Food Stamp Act of 1977, ~~[as amended]~~ **under 7 C.F.R. section 273.18(e)**, and federal regulations adopted thereunder, the department of health and human services shall terminate or waive any claim to reimbursement for the overpayment of ~~[food stamps]~~ **supplemental nutrition assistance program (SNAP) benefits** if the overpayment was the result of department error and:

I.] the amount of the overpayment is not more than \$450~~[-or~~

H. ~~The recipient's income is less than or equal to 2 times the federal poverty level].~~

12 Public Assistance to Blind, Aged, or Disabled Persons, and to Dependent Children; Discontinuation of ~~[Food Stamps]~~ **Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) Benefits**. Amend RSA 167:17-d, I to read as follows:

I. **Subject to the provisions of 7 C.F.R. section 273.16, or any subsequent amendments thereto**, when a person receiving ~~[food stamps assistance]~~ **supplemental nutrition assistance program (SNAP) benefits** is convicted of a violation of RSA 167:17-b, the commissioner shall discontinue his **or her** assistance for a minimum period of [6] **12 months** upon the first conviction, ~~[one year]~~ **24 months** upon the second conviction, and permanently upon the third conviction, unless the court orders that assistance be discontinued for longer periods of time after the first or second convictions.

13 Commissioner of Health and Human Services; State Office of Rural Health; Commissioner's Report. Amend RSA 126-A:5, XVIII(c) to read as follows:

(c) The commissioner shall submit ~~[an annual]~~ **a** report beginning on November 1, ~~[2009]~~ **2025 and on every third year thereafter** to the speaker of the house of representatives, the senate president, the governor, the oversight committee on health and human services established under RSA 126-A:13, the chairs of the house and senate executive departments and administration committees, the chairs of the house and senate committees having jurisdiction over health and human services, and the commission on primary care workforce issues established under RSA 126-T:1, on the health status of rural residents incorporating current data from the bureau of health statistics and data management and the SORH.

14 Commissioner of Health and Human Services; State Office of Rural Health; Office's Report. Amend RSA 126-A:5, XVIII-a(e) to read as follows:

(e) On or before December 1, 2019, and annually thereafter, the SORH shall make a written report to the speaker of the house of representatives, the senate president, the governor, the oversight committee on health and human services established under RSA 126-A:13, the chairs of the house and senate executive departments and administration committees, the chairs of the house and senate policy committee having jurisdiction over health and human services, and the commission on interdisciplinary primary care workforce established by RSA 126-T:1. The report shall include, but not be limited to, aggregate data and information on current and projected primary workforce needs and the participation rate on surveys completed pursuant to this paragraph. ~~[This report shall be incorporated into the report required pursuant to RSA 126-A:5, XVIII(c).]~~

15 Commission to Study the Delivery of Public Health Services Through Regional Public Health Networks; Extension of Report Date. Amend RSA 127:12, VII to read as follows:

VII. The commission 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, ~~[2023]~~ **2024**.

16 Prospective Repeal of the Commission to Study the Delivery of Public Health Services in New Hampshire Through Regional Public Health Networks; Extension. Amend 2022, 278:3, I to read as follows:

I. Section 2 of this act shall take effect November 1, ~~[2023]~~ **2024**.

17 Effective Date.

- I. Sections 1, 2, 5, 6, 11, and 12 of this act shall take effect July 1, 2023.
- II. Sections 3, 4, 8, and 9 of this act shall take effect 60 days after its passage.
- III. The remainder of this act shall take effect upon its passage.

2023-0574s

AMENDED ANALYSIS

This bill:

- I. Re-routes fees paid by methadone providers to the special fund for administration of opioid treatment programs.
- II. Alters the definition of personal care services provider for the purposes of reimbursement by the department.
- III. Alters the payment structure to residential care facilities for features outside of room and board.
- IV. Eliminates the long term care facility reporting requirement to the department of health and human services regarding the Nursing Facility Quality Assessment (NFQA).
- V. Removes the requirement for a beverage license if the facility is only offering bottled beverage direct to consumer and already holds a retail food license from the state health department or self-inspecting jurisdiction.
- VI. Removes payment of premiums from the MEAD program.
- VII. Aligns public assistance benefits within this state with federal regulations.
- VIII. Alters the reporting requirements of the state office of rural health.
- IX. Extends the commission to study the delivery of public health services through regional public health networks report date and prospective repeal to 2024.

Senate Executive Departments and Administration  
February 16, 2023  
2023-0570s  
08/05

Amendment to SB 146

Amend the bill by replacing all after section 2 with the following:

3 Advisory Board; Duties. Amend RSA 425:23 to read as follows:

425:23 Advisory Board; Duties. The board shall consult with and advise the commissioner of agriculture, markets, and food with respect to the *laws*, policies, programs, and operations of the department on a continuing basis and for such purposes shall meet with the commissioner not less than semi-annually at the call of the chairperson or 3 board members. ~~[The board shall designate and advertise at least one]~~ ***Each*** meeting ***shall be advertised with a portion designated for public input*** ~~[annually as a public hearing]~~ at which interested persons may appear and be heard regarding matters affecting agriculture, markets, and food and related laws. ~~[The board shall review and make biennial recommendations relative to administrative, legal, and regulatory factors affecting the viability of the agricultural economy. The board shall promote close coordination of the activities of the department with activities of the United States Department of Agriculture, Environmental Protection Agency and other federal agencies; the University of New Hampshire, including cooperative extension work; other state agencies; and farm organizations of the state.]~~ ***Any member of the board or public may request that the commissioner be excused for any portion of public input at which time the commissioner shall leave the meeting.*** Upon expiration of the term of office of the commissioner of agriculture, markets, and food, or upon the occurrence of a vacancy in such office, it shall be the duty of the board to submit advisory recommendations to the governor and council concerning such new appointment or the filling of such vacancy.

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

2023-0570s

## AMENDED ANALYSIS

This bill removes certain requirements for the terms of members of the agricultural advisory board.

This bill also requires public notice of a meeting of the agricultural advisory board and requires the commissioner of the department of agriculture, markets, and food to leave the room if requested to do so by a member of the board.

Senate Education  
February 14, 2023  
2023-0525s  
06/10

## Amendment to SB 152-FN

Amend the bill by replacing section 1 with the following:

1 Department of Education; Career and Technical Education; Regional Programs; New Hampshire Workforce Training. The department of education shall establish a marine trades pathway at a regional career technology center, upon application from a regional technology center demonstrating need for workforce development, and planning for any funding needed for space, equipment, and instructional time. The proposal shall include coordination and participation of businesses and industries related to marine trades.

Amend RSA 12-O:51-a, I(e) as inserted by section 3 of the bill by replacing it with the following:

(e) A representative of the university of New Hampshire, Sea Grant, appointed by the university.

Election Law and Municipal Affairs  
February 14, 2023  
2023-0519s  
09/05

## Amendment to SB 158

Amend RSA 657:7, II as inserted by section 1 of the bill by replacing it with the following:

II. Affidavit envelopes of sufficient size to contain the ballots on which shall be printed the following:

**YOUR COMPLETED ABSENTEE BALLOT MUST BE SEALED IN THIS ENVELOPE**

I do hereby certify under the penalties for voting fraud set forth below that:

I am a voter in the city or town of \_\_\_\_\_, New Hampshire.

One of the following applies to me:

1) I will be absent on election day. Absence includes:

a) I will be out-of-town on election day.

b) I will be unable to vote in person because I will be working.

c) I will be unable to vote in person because I will be caring for children or infirm adults, with or without compensation.

d) I am voting absentee on the Monday immediately before the election, the National Weather Service has issued a winter storm warning, blizzard warning, or ice storm warning that applies to my town/ward, and I have concerns for traveling in the storm.

2) I am unable to vote in person due to disability.

3) I am unable to vote in person due to observance of a religious commitment, which prevents me from voting in person.

4) I am confined to a penal institution for a misdemeanor or while awaiting trial.

I have carefully read or had read to me the absentee voting instructions. I personally marked the absentee ballot enclosed in this envelope or, due to a disability, I had assistance in marking the absentee ballot.

Voter Signature \_\_\_\_\_

**Printed Name** \_\_\_\_\_

**Voter Address** \_\_\_\_\_

A person assisting a voter with a disability shall sign this statement on this envelope acknowledging the assistance.

I attest that I assisted (print voter name) \_\_\_\_\_ because the voter is a person with a disability. I marked the ballot and/or this form as instructed by the voter.

In accordance with RSA 659:34, the penalty for knowingly or purposefully providing false information when registering to vote or voting is a class A misdemeanor with a maximum sentence of imprisonment not to exceed one year and a fine not to exceed \$2,000. Fraudulently registering to vote or voting is subject to a civil penalty not to exceed \$5,000.

Amend RSA 657:18 as inserted by section 4 of the bill by replacing it with the following:

657:18 Procedure by Clerk. Upon receipt of an outer envelope purporting to contain an official absentee voting ballot, the clerk of the city or town shall, subject to RSA 657:16, ***open the outer envelope and*** attach thereto the application for an absentee ballot ***to the affidavit envelope*** submitted by said voter and record the information pursuant to RSA 657:15. ~~[All such envelopes]~~ ***The affidavit envelopes*** shall be preserved unopened until election day.

Energy and Natural Resources  
February 15, 2023  
2023-0554s  
08/10

#### Amendment to SB 164-FN-LOCAL

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

AN ACT relative to consideration of biodiversity in the land and community heritage investment program.

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

#### 1 Findings. The general court finds:

I. There is an average 69 percent decline in global populations of mammals, fish, birds, reptiles, and amphibians since 1970 including the loss of nearly 3,000,000,000 birds in North America since 1970, and 1,000,000 animal and plant species are now threatened with extinction.

II. Invasive species and warming temperatures pose a threat to the biodiversity of New Hampshire.

III. Three-quarters of the land-based environment and roughly 66 percent of the ocean environment have been significantly altered. More than a third of the world's land surface and nearly 75 percent of freshwater resources are now devoted to crop or livestock production. Climate change and pollution worsen the impact of other stressors on nature and our well-being.

IV. The people of the state of New Hampshire, including future generations, deserve a clean, healthy, and biodiverse environment, including pure water, clean air, natural beauty, healthy ecosystems and a stable climate, necessary for the preservation of the natural, cultural, scenic and healthful qualities of the environment.

V. Ecosystem services of a biodiverse environment benefit New Hampshire citizens, so the state of New Hampshire recognizes the need to maintain biodiversity and to enhance its capacity to adapt to change and provide for the needs of future generations. New Hampshire recognizes the responsibility to develop and utilize these resources in a manner consistent with their conservation and biodiversity.

VI. The state, including each branch, agency, and political subdivision, recognizes their roles as trustees of the natural resources of the state, among them its waters, air, flora, fauna, climate, and public lands. The state recognizes the duty to conserve, protect, and maintain these resources for the benefit of all the people, including generations yet to come.

2 New Paragraph; Land and Community Heritage Investment Authority; Definitions; Biodiversity. Amend RSA 227-M:2 by inserting after paragraph I the following new paragraph:

I-a. “Biodiversity” means all of the species, including plants, bacteria, animals, and humans in a particular region, habitat, or ecosystem, that work together to maintain balance and support life. Biodiversity includes the variability among living organisms from all sources including terrestrial, marine, and other aquatic ecosystems and the ecological complexes of which they are a part, including variation in genetic, phenotypic, phylogenetic, and functional attributes, as well as changes in abundance and distribution over time and space within and among species, biological communities, and ecosystems.

3 Definition; Easement Interests; Biodiversity Added. Amend RSA 227-M:2, IV to read as follows:

IV. “Easement interests” means conservation, *including biodiversity*, historic preservation, or scenic easements, development rights, or any other similar protective interest in real property held in perpetuity, or a term easement that is held for a specific period of time and not in perpetuity as part of a farm viability program.

4 Definition; Eligible Resource. Amend RSA 227-M:2, V to read as follows:

V. “Eligible resource” means a natural, cultural, or historical resource including archaeological sites; historic buildings and structures which house cultural events and programs; historic properties including buildings and structures; historic and cultural lands and features; ecologically significant lands; *biodiverse areas*; existing and potential public water supply lands; farmland; forestland; habitat for rare species or important wildlife; wildlife corridors and habitat strongholds as defined in RSA 207:1; lands for recreation; riverine, lake, estuarine, and ocean shorelands; scenic areas and viewsheds; and wetlands and associated uplands.

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

2023-0554s

#### AMENDED ANALYSIS

This bill defines biodiversity and requires its inclusion in the land and community heritage investment program.

Health and Human Services  
February 16, 2023  
2023-0593s  
07/10

#### Amendment to SB 175-FN

Amend RSA 167:68, IV as inserted by section 3 of the bill by deleting subparagraph (e) and renumbering the original subparagraph (f) to read as subparagraph (e).

Amend the bill by replacing section 4 with the following:

4 Appropriation. The sum of \$300,000 for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2024 and \$300,000 for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2025 is hereby appropriated to the department of health and human services for the purpose of expanding postpartum health care services under the state Medicaid plan as provided in section 3 of this act. The governor shall determine if any discretionary funds appropriated in the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021, Public Law 117-2, or any other federal funds, can be used for this purpose, and the commissioner shall expend such federal funds for this purpose. Any remainder shall be appropriated from the general fund. The governor is authorized to draw a warrant for the general fund portion of said sums out of any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated. The department of health and human services may accept and expend matching federal funds without prior approval of the fiscal committee of the general court.

Amend RSA 275:82 as inserted by section 10 of the bill by replacing it with the following:

275:82 Penalties. Any employer who violates any provision of this subdivision shall be subject to a one-time civil penalty pursuant to RSA 273:11-a.

Amend the bill by replacing all after section 11 with the following:

12 New Section; Wellness and Primary Prevention Council; Voluntary Home Visiting Program Report. Amend RSA 126-M by inserting after section 6 the following new section:

126-M:7 Voluntary Home Visiting Program Report.



I. The council shall study how New Hampshire can reduce barriers, improve access, and create a system of universal access to voluntary home visiting programs available to all parents of newborns and young children designed to support families, bridge gaps between caretakers and community resources, and improve maternal and child health wellness.

II. The council shall submit a report on any findings and 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 October 15, 2024.

13 New Subdivisions; Medicaid Reimbursement-Eligible Doula and Lactation Service Providers. Amend RSA 310-A by inserting after section 221 the following new subdivisions:

Medicaid Reimbursement-Eligible Doula and Lactation Service Providers

310-A:222 Doula and Lactation Service Provider Certification.

I. For the purposes of Medicaid billing pursuant to RSA 126-A:99, the office of professional licensure and certification shall establish a doula certification process and establish a lactation service certification process to certify lactation service providers that are credentialed by the International Board of Lactation Examiners.

II. The office of professional licensure and certification shall adopt rules pursuant to RSA 541-A relative to the authority set out in paragraph I.

III. Nothing in this section shall prevent a person certified by this state pursuant to any other provision of law from performing the occupation for which he or she is certified.

14 New Section; System of Care for Children's Mental Health; Early Childhood Behavioral Health Supports. Amend RSA 135-F by inserting after section 9 the following new section:

135-F:10 Early Childhood Behavioral Health Supports Established.

I. The department of health and human services shall develop and maintain a publicly available network of trauma-informed early childhood mental health consultants and ensure ongoing training and consultation of the early childhood mental health consultants. Early childhood mental health consultations shall be:

(a) Provided by qualified mental health professionals who possess a masters or doctoral-level degree in the mental health field and who demonstrate evidence of specialized training and experience in infant and early childhood mental health as established by the department;

(b) Offered, if necessary, to children across settings and regardless of changes to setting and placement;

(c) Integrated with other available behavioral health and family support services providers, including but not limited to the care management entities established under RSA 135-F, early childhood mental health services, and early supports and services; and

(d) Implemented in accordance with this chapter and include, but not be limited to, the following services:

(1) Conducting observation and assessment of a child and their caregivers across child care settings, including universal strengths-based assessments in accordance with this chapter and RSA 170-G:4-e and the use of valid and reliable measures of: trauma exposure, chronic exposure to stress and symptoms, emotional and behavioral development, and the strengths and needs of the caregiving/child-caregiver relationship;

(2) Consulting with caregivers, teachers, directors, administrators, and other medical and behavioral health providers about the meaning of challenging behaviors and how to meet the needs of the child and caregivers;

(3) Strengthening caregiver and professional capacity to successfully handle challenging behaviors through developmentally appropriate methods, including but not limited to reflective questioning, developmental guidance, modeling, and role playing;

(4) Offering training in young child socio-emotional development, emotional and behavioral regulation, and trauma exposure to caregivers and professionals; and

(5) Be provided to any child 0-6 presenting with behaviors substantially interfering with their successful engagement in child care and to any child who is placed or at risk of being placed in foster care within 30 days of their placement in care.

II. The department shall establish the eligibility and referral process for the consultations that prioritized children in foster care or at risk of being placed in foster care.

III. Notwithstanding any paragraph of this section, the availability of consultations shall be subject to available appropriations to this program.

15 Appropriation; Early Childhood Mental Health Consultation. The sum of \$1,000,000 for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2024, and the sum of \$1,000,000 for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2025, is hereby appropriated to the department of health and human services to support existing programs to provide trauma-informed early childhood mental health consultation to caregivers at home and in child care settings to support young children with exposure to adverse childhood experiences and who experience emotional and behavioral challenges. Of this amount, the governor shall determine if any remaining discretionary funds appropriated in the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021, Public Law 117-2 or any other federal funds can be used for this purpose and any remainder shall be general funds. The funds shall be non-lapsing. The governor is authorized to draw a warrant for the general fund share of said sums out of any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated.

16 Effective Date.

I. Section 10 of this act, except for RSA 275:82, shall take effect July 1, 2025.

II. RSA 275:82, as inserted by section 10 of this act shall take effect July 1, 2026.

III. The remainder of this act shall take effect July 1, 2024.

2023-0593s

#### AMENDED ANALYSIS

This bill:

I. Mandates that the department of health and human services extend Medicaid coverage for pregnant women to 12 months postpartum, to cover doula services, to cover lactation services, and to cover donor breast milk for eligible infants, and creates appropriations thereof.

II. Establishes minimum workplace supports for nursing mothers.

III. Makes an appropriation to the department of health and human services to support healthy outcomes for caregivers and children.

IV. Mandates the wellness and primary prevention council study and submit a report on home visiting programs for all parents of newborns and young children.

V. Mandates the department of health and human services establish a network of early childhood behavioral health supports and makes an appropriation thereof.

Senate Judiciary  
February 16, 2023  
2023-0589s  
09/07

#### Amendment to SB 180-FN

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

AN ACT relative to product labeling and information guide requirements for cannabis products and the prohibition of the sale of hemp products containing certain levels of THC.

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

1 New Subparagraph; Use of Cannabis for Therapeutic Purposes. Amend RSA 126-X:12, IV by inserting after subparagraph (h) the following new subparagraph:

(h) Developing, reviewing, and updating cannabis product labels and educational material about the risks of cannabis use to be provided to qualifying patients by alternative treatment centers and certifying medical providers.

2 New Section; Agriculture, Horticulture and Animal Husbandry; Hemp; Hemp-Derived Products Containing THC Prohibited. Amend RSA 439-A by inserting after section 439-A:3 the following new section:

439-A:4 Hemp-Derived Products Containing THC Prohibited. Nothing in this chapter shall be construed to authorize the sale of products that are derived from hemp which contain natural or synthetic tetrahydrocannabinol (THC) greater than 0.03% on a dry weight basis, which appear in any formulation, including delta-8 THC, delta-9 THC, or any other THC isomer variant.

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

2023-0589s

#### AMENDED ANALYSIS

This bill empowers the therapeutic cannabis oversight board to regulate and review the labels and educational materials of cannabis materials. This bill also prohibits the sale of hemp products containing certain amounts of THC.

Senate Ways and Means  
February 16, 2023  
2023-0558s  
02/08

#### Amendment to SB 189-FN

Amend the bill by replacing section 1 with the following:

1 New Paragraph; Business Profits Tax; Additions and Deductions. Amend RSA 77-A:4 by inserting after paragraph XIX the following new paragraph:

XX. For tax years commencing on or after January 1, 2024, a deduction equal to the amount disallowed as a deduction under section 163(j) of the Internal Revenue Code. For tax years commencing on or after January 1, 2024, an addition equal to the amount deducted by reason of a carry forward of disallowed business interest under section 163(j) of the Internal Revenue Code generated in tax years commencing after January 1, 2024.

Senate Executive Departments and Administration  
February 2, 2023  
2023-0302s  
06/07

#### Amendment to SB 207

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

AN ACT establishing a committee to study licensure of mental health professionals and relative to mental health critical incident intervention and management.

Amend the bill by replacing all after section 6 with the following:

7 Emergency Medical and Trauma Services; Critical Incident Intervention and Management. Amend RSA 153-A:17-a, I(e) - III(b) to read as follows:

(e) "Critical incident stress management team" or "team" means the group of one or more trained volunteers, including members of peer support groups organized by a unit of state, local, ~~or~~ county government, **or employee organization** who offer critical incident stress management, ~~and~~ crisis intervention **or peer support** services following a critical incident or long term or continued, debilitating stress being experienced by emergency services providers and affecting them or their family situation.

(f) (1) **"Peer Support Group" means the group of one or more trained volunteers, organized by a unit of state, local, county government or employee organization that can recognize common behavioral health issues, provide support services, and serve as a bridge to community resources or behavioral health treatment when indicated.**

~~(f)(1)~~ (2) "Critical incident stress management team member" or "team member" means an emergency services provider, including any law enforcement officer, sheriff or deputy sheriff, state police officer, civilian law enforcement employee, firefighter, civilian fire department employee, emergency medical personnel, telecommunicators, and local dispatchers specially trained to provide critical incident stress management, ~~and~~ crisis intervention **or peer support** services as a member of an organized and registered team.

~~[(2)]~~ **(3)** In this subparagraph:

(A) “Telecommunicator” means an employee of the department of safety, division of emergency services and communications who is responsible for receiving at the public safety answering point telephone calls made to E911 and transferring or relaying such calls to public or private safety agencies.

(B) “Local dispatcher” means a person who determines the location, status, and assistance required by callers and walk-in customers for public safety services and dispatches the appropriate police, fire, ambulance, or other units to provide needed emergency services at the state, city, town, or private emergency services level.

II.(a) Team members shall undergo and sustain certification standards set forth in guidelines established by the International Critical Incident Stress Foundation (ICISF) approved by the commissioner of the department of safety, or a similar organization for which the commissioner shall not unreasonably withhold approval. The team shall be registered with ICISF, or a similar organization, and maintain training standards to date as required.

(b) All critical incident stress management team members **or peer support group members**, sworn or civilian, shall be designated by the police chief, sheriff, director of the division of state police, fire chief, or director of the division of emergency services and communications, **or head of an employee organization**.

III.(a) Any information divulged to the team, ~~or a~~ team member **or peer support group member**, during the provision of critical incident stress management, ~~and~~ crisis intervention **or peer support** services shall be kept confidential and shall not be disclosed to a third party or in a criminal, civil, or administrative proceeding. Records kept by critical incident stress management team members **or peer support group** are not subject to subpoena, discovery, or introduction into evidence in a criminal, civil, or administrative action. Except as provided in subparagraph (c), no person, whether critical incident stress management team member, ~~or~~ team leader **or peer support group member** providing or receiving critical incident stress management, ~~and~~ crisis intervention **or peer support** services, shall be required to testify or divulge any information obtained solely through such crisis intervention.

(b) The purpose of this section is to provide a consistent framework for the operation of critical incident stress management teams, **peer support groups**, and their members. In any civil action against any individual, agency, or government entity, including the state of New Hampshire, arising out of the conduct of a member of such team, this section is not intended and shall not be admissible to establish negligence in any instance where requirements herein are higher than the standard of care that would otherwise have been applicable in such action under state law.

8 Effective Date.

I. Section 7 of this act shall take effect 60 days after its passage.

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

2023-0302s

#### AMENDED ANALYSIS

This bill:

I. Establishes a committee to study licensure of mental health professionals.

II. Adds a new definition for “peer support group” to emergency medical and trauma services and critical incident intervention and management.

Senate Executive Departments and Administration

February 16, 2023

2023-0575s

09/10

#### Amendment to SB 211-FN

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

1 Operator Permit; Hazardous Waste Management; Criminal Background Check. Amend RSA 147-A:4, II-c to read as follows:

II-c.(a) Applications for permits shall be upon such forms and shall include such information as the department requires by rules adopted under RSA 147-A:3. The application information shall include, but not be limited to, a performance history of the applicant and of its officers and directors relative to the operation, financial security, and ownership of all facilities owned or operated by the applicant. Whenever requested by the department, the attorney general shall conduct a background investigation of the performance history and criminal record of the applicant and of its officers and directors, **partners and individuals or entities having managerial, supervisory, or substantial decision-making authority and responsibility for the management of operations or activities for which a permit is being sought**, if any, and make a report to the department. The cost of any investigation under this paragraph shall be borne by the applicant.

**(b)(1) The criminal background check shall consist of a fingerprint-based criminal record check of national crime information databases. The persons described in subparagraph (a) shall submit to the attorney general a criminal history records release form, as provided by the New Hampshire division of state police, which authorizes the release of the person's criminal records, if any. The person shall submit with the release form a complete set of fingerprints taken by a qualified law enforcement agency and payment required by division of state police regulations.**

**(2) For the criminal records check required under this paragraph, the attorney general shall submit the person's fingerprints to the department of safety, division of state police, which shall conduct a criminal history records check through its records and through the Federal Bureau of Investigation. Upon completion of the criminal record check, the division of state police shall release copies of the criminal history records to the attorney general.**

2 Hazardous Waste Management; Operator Permits. Amend RSA 147-A:4, IV-a to read as follows:

IV-a. No permit issued by the department under this section shall be transferred by the permittee to any person without the prior written approval of the department. Applications for the transfer of permits shall be upon such forms and shall include such information as the department requires by rules adopted under RSA 147-A:3, IX. The application information shall include, but not be limited to, a performance history of the applicant and of its officers and directors relative to the operation, financial security, and ownership of all facilities owned or operated by the applicant. Whenever requested by the department, the attorney general shall conduct a background investigation of the performance history and criminal record of the applicant and of its officers and directors, **partners, and individuals or entities having managerial, supervisory, or substantial decision-making authority and responsibility for the management of operations or activities for which a permit is being sought**, if any, and make a report to the department. **The criminal background check shall consist of and follow the same procedures set forth in paragraph II-c.** The applicant shall also submit a statement that the proposed facility is consistent with the provisions of a district plan. The cost of any investigation under this paragraph shall be borne by the applicant. The department shall hold a public hearing no later than 30 days prior to making any final decision on an application to transfer a permit issued under this section. Notice of such public hearing shall be published in a newspaper of local circulation within the region of the public or private hazardous waste facility at least 2 weeks prior to such public hearing. The applicant shall notify abutters of the request for transfer of a permit under this section.

3 Permit Required; Solid Waste Management; Criminal Background Check. Amend RSA 149-M:9, III to read as follows:

III.(a) Applications for permits shall be upon such forms and shall include such information as the department requires by rules adopted under RSA 149-M:7. The application information shall include, but not be limited to, a performance history of the applicant and of its officers and directors, **partners, and individuals or entities having managerial, supervisory, or substantial decision-making authority and responsibility for the management of operations or activities for which a permit is being sought**, relative to the operation, financial security, and ownership of all facilities owned or operated by the applicant. Whenever requested by the department, the attorney general shall conduct a background investigation of the performance history and criminal record of the applicant and of its officers and directors, if any, and make a report to the department. The cost of any investigation under this paragraph shall be borne by the applicant. The applicant shall also demonstrate that the proposed facility provides a substantial public benefit pursuant to RSA 149-M:11.



***(b)(1) The criminal background check shall consist of a fingerprint-based criminal record check of national crime information databases. The persons described in subparagraph (a) shall submit to the attorney general a criminal history records release form, as provided by the New Hampshire division of state police, which authorizes the release of the person's criminal records, if any. The person shall submit with the release form a complete set of fingerprints taken by a qualified law enforcement agency and payment required by division of state police regulations.***

***(2) For the criminal record check required under this paragraph, the attorney general shall submit the person's fingerprints to the department of safety, division of state police, which shall conduct a criminal history records check through its records and through the Federal Bureau of Investigation. Upon completion of the criminal record check, the division of state police shall release copies of the criminal history records to the attorney general.***

4 Solid Waste Permit; Transfer. Amend RSA 149-M:9, XII(a) to read as follows:

(a) Applications for the transfer of permits shall be filed by the person to whom such permit is to be transferred upon such forms and shall include such information as the department requires by rules adopted under RSA 149-M:7. The application information shall include, but not be limited to, a performance history of the applicant and of its officers and directors relative to the operation, financial security, and ownership of all facilities owned or operated by the applicant. Whenever requested by the department, the attorney general shall conduct a background investigation of the performance history and criminal record of the applicant and of its officers and directors, ***partners, and individuals or entities having managerial, supervisory, or substantial decision-making authority and responsibility for the management of operations or activities for which a permit is being sought***, if any, and make a report to the department. ***The criminal background check shall consist of and follow the same procedures set forth in paragraph III.*** The applicant shall also submit a statement that the proposed facility is consistent with the provisions of a district plan. The cost of any investigation under this paragraph shall be borne by the applicant.

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

Senate Education  
February 14, 2023  
2023-0521s  
07/10

#### Amendment to SB 215-FN

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

1 School Health Services; School Nurse; Certification. Amend RSA 200:29, II(a)(1) to read as follows:

(1) Have completed a board of nursing approved registered nursing program at the [bachelor's] ***associate's*** degree level or higher under RSA 326-B; and

2 School Health Services; School Nurse; Certification. RSA 200:29,IV is repealed and reenacted to read as follows:

IV. All school nurses hired after August 25, 2019 holding an associate's degree in nursing shall be enrolled in a registered nurse to bachelor of science in nursing program, and shall complete such program within 6 years of the date of hire.

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

2023-0521s

#### AMENDED ANALYSIS

This bill alters the requirement for entry level school nurses to have completed a bachelor of science in a nursing program, and requires school nurses hired after 2019 complete a bachelor's program within 6 years of the date of hire.

Energy and Natural Resources  
 February 15, 2023  
 2023-0537s  
 10/05

#### Amendment to SB 225

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

AN ACT establishing the commission to study the assessing of power generation.

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

1 Commission to Study the Assessing of Power Generation. RSA 78:8-f is repealed and reenacted to read as follows:

72:8-f Study Commission on the Assessing of Power Generation. There is established a commission to study the assessing of power generation.

##### I. The commission shall:

- (a) Determine the most accurate methodology for assessing power generation assets.
- (b) Compare the efficacy of the department of revenue administration approach to assessing the assets of the 59 power generation facilities with the approaches utilized by the municipalities.
- (c) Understand how other states handle the assessing of power generation facilities for property tax purposes.
- (d) Recommend a unified approach to be utilized by both the department of revenue administration and municipalities, which should include confidential data reporting requirements by the power generation companies for the methodology chosen.

##### II. The commission shall consist of the following members:

- (a) Six members of the house of representatives, one of whom shall be from the science, technology and energy committee, one from the ways and means committee, and one member from the minority party who shall be from either of the committees, to be appointed by the speaker of the house of representatives.
- (b) Two members of the senate, appointed by the senate president.
- (c) The chairperson of the assessing standards board, or designee.
- (d) The commissioner of the department of revenue administration, or designee.
- (e) One member appointed by the New Hampshire Municipal Association.
- (f) One member appointed by the New England Power Generators Association (NEPGA).
- (g) One member appointed by the New Hampshire Association of Assessing Officials (NHAAO).
- (h) One member appointed by the Granite State Hydropower Association (GSHA).
- (i) One member of the public, appointed by the commissioner of the department of revenue administration.

III. The members of the study commission shall elect a chairperson from among the members. The first meeting of the commission shall be called by the first-named house member. The first meeting of the commission shall be held within 45 days of the effective date of this section. A majority of the appointed members of the commission shall constitute a quorum.

IV. The commission 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, 2023.

2 Repeal. RSA 72:8-f, relative to the study commission on the assessing of power generation, is repealed

3 Effective Date.

I. Section 2 of this act shall take effect November 1, 2023.

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

2023-0537s

## AMENDED ANALYSIS

This bill establishes the commission to study the assessing of power generation.

Energy and Natural Resources

February 7, 2023

2023-0403s

09/08

## Amendment to SB 228-FN

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

1 New Section; Hilton Park Boat Ramp, Dock Repair, and Construction. Amend RSA 233-A by inserting after section 233-A:15 the following new section:

233-A:16 Hilton Park Boat Ramp, Dock Repair, and Construction.

I. The department of transportation, the department of fish and game, and the Pease Development Authority shall study repairs to the Hilton Park boat ramp and the construction of a new dock facility for use by the public. The study shall include but not be limited to consideration of the purchase of the site from the department of transportation and transfer to a suitable entity to oversee construction and operation of the facility, the cost of construction, the cost of maintenance, management of the completed facility, and any environmental impacts. The study shall include consultation with the department of environmental services, the city of Dover, the town of Newington, representatives of the aquaculture industry, the Great Bay waterkeeper, and other interested parties, and it shall provide opportunity for public input. It shall consider available funds or grants from federal and other sources, and it shall address the issues of the potential use of the facility for commercial purposes. The study shall consider feasible access and use under requirements of the Americans with Disabilities Act. The study shall be completed by June 30, 2024.

II. A report of the findings of the study shall be provided to the governor, the president of the senate, the speaker of the house of representatives, the department of transportation, the fish and game department, the Pease Development Authority, the chairs of the senate transportation committee, the senate energy and natural resources committee, the house fish and game and marine resources committee, and the house public works and highway committee.

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

Senate Finance

February 15, 2023

2023-0534s

08/05

## Amendment to SB 230-FN-A

Amend the bill by replacing section 1 with the following:

1 Department of Environmental Services; Appropriation. There is hereby appropriated to the department of environmental services the sum of \$15,000,000 for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2024, and the sum of \$15,000,000 for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2025, which shall be nonlapsing, for the purpose of making payments to communities for projects that have previously been awarded state aid grant funding for eligible and completed wastewater infrastructure projects per RSA 486 as approved by the governor and executive council. Any remaining funds not used for making payments on existing grants may be used to award new grants. The governor is authorized to draw a warrant for said sums out of any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated.

Health and Human Services

February 16, 2023

2023-0585s

05/08

## Amendment to SB 234-FN-A

Amend the bill by replacing section 2 with the following:

2 Appropriation. The sum of \$500,000 for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2023, is hereby appropriated to the department of health and human services for the purposes of developing the public awareness campaign on brain health, Alzheimer's disease and related dementias. This appropriation shall be non-lapsing. The governor is authorized to draw a warrant for said sum out of any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated.

Health and Human Services  
February 16, 2023  
2023-0588s  
05/07

#### Amendment to SB 238-FN

Amend the bill by replacing section 3 with the following:

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

Health and Human Services  
February 16, 2023  
2023-0579s  
05/08

#### Amendment to SB 240

Amend RSA 141-H:2, IV as inserted by section 1 of the bill by replacing it with the following:

IV. Nothing in this section shall be construed to regulate or apply to genetic testing or genetic analysis used for diagnosis and treatment of a patient by a clinical laboratory that has received a specimen referral from the individual patient's treating physician, genetic counselor, or another clinical laboratory. Nothing in this section shall be construed so as to waive the requirement that the treating physician obtain specific informed consent in accordance with the provisions of this section. ***This section shall not prohibit the disclosure of genetic testing or genetic analysis to entities participating in processes related to either clinical care of the patient, including, but not limited to, evaluating potential clinical care options, or to clinical research.***

Senate Judiciary  
February 16, 2023  
2023-0581s  
07/05

#### Amendment to SB 244-FN

Amend the bill by replacing section 1 with the following:

1 Breaches of the Peace; False Public Alarms; Report of Active Shooter. Amend RSA 644:3, I and II to read as follows:

I. Any person who directly or indirectly communicates to any governmental agency that commonly deals with emergencies involving danger to life or property a report known by him to be false regarding a fire, explosion, or other catastrophe or emergency, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor; except if the report concerns ***the presence of an active shooter, the presence of an explosive device, or*** the presence of a biological or chemical substance, the offense shall constitute a class B felony.

II. Any person who directly or indirectly communicates to any school, business, office building, hospital, or similar facility open to the public, a report concerning ***the presence of an active shooter, the presence of an explosive device, or*** the presence of a biological or chemical substance, knowing such report is false, shall be guilty of a class B felony.

2023-0581s

#### AMENDED ANALYSIS

This bill makes the penalty for false public alarm if the report concerns the presence of an active shooter or presence of a bomb a class B felony.

Senate Ways and Means  
 February 13, 2023  
 2023-0559s  
 07/10

#### Amendment to SB 260-FN

Amend the bill by replacing section 1 with the following:

1 New Paragraph; Business Profits Tax. Amend RSA 77-A:4 by inserting after paragraph XIX the following new paragraph:

XX. A deduction of the full amount of fair, reasonable, and customary compensation for members and owners of business organizations subject to taxation under RSA 77-A, to the extent such amounts are not already deducted in arriving at the business organization's gross business profits, as defined in RSA 77-A:1, III.

## HEARINGS

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

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

Links are also available on the Senate Meeting Schedule.



### ***TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 21, 2023***

#### **EDUCATION**, Room 101, LOB

Sen. Ward (C), Sen. Gendered (VC), Sen. Lang, Sen. Prentiss, Sen. Fenton

- 9:00 a.m. **SB 219-FN-L**, relative to a salary floor for public school teachers.  
 (THE PREVIOUS HEARING FOR SB 219-FN-L WAS RECESSED FEBRUARY 14TH)
- 9:15 a.m. **SB 213**, relative to educational institution policies on social media.
- 9:30 a.m. **SB 135**, relative to alternative dispute resolution in special education.
- 9:45 a.m. **SB 136**, prohibiting the employment or volunteering of a revoked or suspended educator.
- 10:00 a.m. **SB 266**, relative to the statewide education improvement and assessment program.  
**EXECUTIVE SESSION MAY FOLLOW**

#### **ELECTION LAW AND MUNICIPAL AFFAIRS**, Room 103, LOB

Sen. Gray (C), Sen. Murphy (VC), Sen. Abbas, Sen. Soucy, Sen. Perkins Kowa

- 9:00 a.m. **SB 88**, relative to the annual dues paid by towns and cities to town officers' associations.
- 9:15 a.m. **SB 89**, relative to accommodation for medical reasons in issuing marriage licenses.
- 9:30 a.m. **SB 111-L**, relative to the town council-town manager form of local government.  
**EXECUTIVE SESSION MAY FOLLOW**

#### **ENERGY AND NATURAL RESOURCES**, Room 103, SH

Sen. Aver (C), Sen. Pearl (VC), Sen. Birdsell, Sen. Watters, Sen. Altschiller

- 9:00 a.m. **SB 165**, relative to the online energy data platform.  
 (THE PREVIOUS HEARING FOR SB 165 WAS RECESSED ON FEBRUARY 15TH)
- 9:15 a.m. **SB 79**, relative to the participation of customer generators in net energy metering.



9:30 a.m. **SB 96**, relative to state energy performance contracting.  
 9:45 a.m. **SB 16**, establishing a stakeholders' group to address utility poles and attachments in New Hampshire.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION MAY FOLLOW**

**FINANCE**, Room 103, SH

Sen. Gray (C), Sen. Innis (VC), Sen. Bradley, Sen. Birdsell, Sen. Pearl, Sen. D'Allesandro, Sen. Rosenwald  
 1:00 p.m. **SB 231-FN**, establishing a historic housing tax credit and making appropriations for workforce housing and affordable housing.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION MAY FOLLOW**

**JUDICIARY**, Room 100, SH

Sen. Carson (C), Sen. Gannon (VC), Sen. Abbas, Sen. Whitley, Sen. Chandley  
 1:00 p.m. **SB 245**, relative to the inspection of hotel guest records.  
 1:15 p.m. **SB 246**, relative to disclosure of post-arrest photographs under the right to know law.  
 1:30 p.m. **SB 250**, relative to remote participation in government meetings.  
 1:45 p.m. **SB 253**, relative to parental access to a minor child's medical records.  
 2:00 p.m. **SB 251**, establishing a committee to study the long-term impact of the New Hampshire adult parole system.  
 2:15 p.m. **SB 247**, repealing limited liability for manufacturers, distributors, dealers, or importers of firearms or ammunition.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION MAY FOLLOW**

**WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 22, 2023**

**EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENTS AND ADMINISTRATION**, Room 103, SH

Sen. Pearl (C), Sen. Carson (VC), Sen. Gendreau, Sen. Perkins Kwoka, Sen. Altschiller  
 9:00 a.m. **EXECUTIVE SESSION ON PENDING LEGISLATION**

**HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES**, Room 100, SH

Sen. Birdsell (C), Sen. Avar (VC), Sen. Bradley, Sen. Whitley, Sen. Prentiss  
 9:00 a.m. **SB 236**, establishing a committee to study nonprofit organizations contracting with the department of health and human services for children's services.  
 9:15 a.m. **SB 243**, establishing a committee to study implementing a state-based health insurance exchange.  
 9:30 a.m. **SB 263-FN**, extending the New Hampshire granite advantage health care program and reestablishing the commission to evaluate the effectiveness and future of the New Hampshire granite advantage health care program.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION MAY FOLLOW**

**TUESDAY, MARCH 7, 2023**

**ELECTION LAW AND MUNICIPAL AFFAIRS**, Room 103, LOB

Sen. Gray (C), Sen. Murphy (VC), Sen. Abbas, Sen. Soucy, Sen. Perkins Kwoka  
 9:00 a.m. **SB 221**, enabling municipalities to adopt a property tax exemption for child day care agencies.  
 9:15 a.m. **CACR 9**, relating to the New Hampshire presidential primary. Providing that the New Hampshire presidential primary will be the first presidential primary of a presidential election cycle.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION MAY FOLLOW**

**TRANSPORTATION**, Room 101, LOB

Sen. Ricciardi (C), Sen. Watters (VC), Sen. Ward, Sen. Gendreau, Sen. Fenton  
 1:00 p.m. **EXECUTIVE SESSION ON PENDING LEGISLATION**

# MEETINGS

## ***THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 23, 2023***

### **COMMISSION ON THE INTERDISCIPLINARY PRIMARY CARE WORKFORCE (RSA 126-T)**

2:00 p.m.                      NH Hospital Association                      Regular Meeting  
 Conference Room 1  
 125 Airport Road  
 Concord, NH  
 Join Zoom Meeting  
<https://nh-dhhs.zoom.us/j/89218054565?pwd=NHVQYy8zbjN1OUVtdWg4VjJTSU5udz09>  
 Meeting ID: 892 1805 4565  
 Passcode: 945199

## ***FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 24, 2023***

### **SOLID WASTE WORKING GROUP (RSA 149-M:61)**

9:30 a.m.                      NH DES Offices                      Regular Meeting  
 Room 208C  
 29 Hazen Drive  
 Concord, NH 03301  
 Remote attendance: <https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/3435858814888164108>

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

10:00 a.m.                      Rooms 305-307, LOB                      Regular Meeting

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

3:30 p.m.                      Levenson Room at Portsmouth Public Library                      Regular Meeting  
 175 Parrott Ave  
 Portsmouth, NH 03801  
 Join Zoom Meeting:  
<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/85386622916?pwd=UGVlR24yTFRaTEp3elNHQ2xnQmpJdz09>  
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### ***MONDAY, FEBRUARY 27, 2023***

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

4:30 p.m.	NH DES Regional Office Pease International Tradeport Room A, Suite 175 222 International Drive Portsmouth, NH	Regular Meeting
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### ***WEDNESDAY, MARCH 1, 2023***

#### **NEW HAMPSHIRE LOW-GRADE TIMBER AND WOOD EMERGING MARKET COMMISSION (RSA 227-1)**

10:00 a.m.	NH DNCR, Forests and Lands Main Conference Room 172 Pembroke Road Concord, NH 03301	Regular Meeting
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### ***MONDAY, MARCH 6, 2023***

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

10:00 a.m.	Room 100, SH	Organizational Meeting
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### ***TUESDAY, MARCH 7, 2023***

#### **STATE VETERANS ADVISORY COMMITTEE (RSA 115-A:2)**

5:00 p.m.	Edward Cross Training Center Facility 722 Riverwood Drive Pembroke, NH	Regular Meeting
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### ***FRIDAY, MARCH 10, 2023***

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

9:00 a.m.	Rooms 201-203, LOB	Organizational/Regular Meeting
	The You Tube link to view the meeting livestream is: <a href="https://youtube.com/live/t3liU4JL5js">https://youtube.com/live/t3liU4JL5js</a>	

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

9:30 a.m.	Rooms 201-203, LOB	Organizational/Regular Meeting
	The You Tube link to view the meeting livestream is: <a href="https://youtube.com/live/CwZ52DWil">https://youtube.com/live/CwZ52DWil</a>	

#### **COMMISSION TO STUDY THE INCIDENCE OF POST-TRAUMATIC STRESS DISORDER IN FIRST RESPONDERS (RSA 281-A:17-e)**

10:00 a.m.	NH Fire Academy Classroom 2 98 Smokey Bear Boulevard Concord, NH 03301	Regular Meeting
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### ***MONDAY, MARCH 13, 2023***

#### **NH COLLEGE TUITION SAVINGS PLAN ADVISORY COMMISSION (RSA 195-H:2)**

10:00 a.m.                      University System of NH                      Regular Meeting  
                                      5 Chenell Drive, Suite 301  
                                      Concord, NH 03301

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

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

#### **NH BRAIN AND SPINAL CORD INJURY ADVISORY COUNCIL (RSA 137-K:2)**

2:00 p.m.                      Regular Meeting  
                                      Join Zoom Meeting  
                                      <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84327646605?pwd=R0lwOWFVK0w2U2FKYTVybXM1MjNhZ09>  
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### ***FRIDAY, MARCH 17, 2023***

#### **ADMINISTRATIVE RULES (RSA 541-A:2)**

9:00 a.m.                      Rooms 306-308, LOB                      Regular Meeting

### ***MONDAY, MARCH 20, 2023***

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

1:00 p.m.                      Brown Building Auditorium                      Regular Meeting  
                                      129 Pleasant Street  
                                      Concord, NH  
                                      Zoom ID 818 4165 1949  
                                      Passcode 914953

### ***FRIDAY, MARCH 24, 2023***

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

10:00 a.m.                      Rooms 305-307, LOB                      Regular Meeting

### ***MONDAY, MARCH 27, 2023***

#### **NH LAND AND COMMUNITY HERITAGE AUTHORITY BOARD OF DIRECTORS (RSA 227-M:4)**

2:00 p.m.                      Mathey Center at Burley Farms                      Regular Meeting  
                                      247 North River Road  
                                      Epping, NH

### ***MONDAY, APRIL 3, 2023***

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

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

## ***TUESDAY, APRIL 4, 2023***

### **STATE VETERANS ADVISORY COMMITTEE (RSA 115-A:2)**

5:00 p.m.

Edward Cross Training Center Facility  
722 Riverwood Drive  
Pembroke, NH

Regular Meeting

## ***FRIDAY, APRIL 21, 2023***

### **ADMINISTRATIVE RULES (RSA 541-A:2)**

9:00 a.m.

Rooms 306-308, LOB

Regular Meeting

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**FISCAL NOTE ADDITIONS AND UPDATES HAVE BEEN AMENDED TO THE BILLS ON THE WEB SITE AND ARE AVAILABLE IN THE SENATE CLERK'S OFFICE FOR THE FOLLOWING 2023 BILLS:**

**SENATE BILLS: 1, 32, 34, 36, 38, 39, 49, 51, 52, 53, 54, 56, 57, 68, 69, 70, 73, 76, 80, 97, 98, 104, 105, 108, 112, 113, 115, 120, 122, 128, 129, 132, 133, 134, 137, 152, 154, 156, 157, 159, 160, 164, 167, 173, 186, 187, 188, 191, 192, 197, 204, 205, 211, 212, 215, 218, 228, 229, 233, 234, 235, 238, 239, 241, 248, 255, 256, 257, 259, 260, 261, 264, 265**

**HOUSE BILLS: 193, 268, 409**

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## **NOTICES**

### **SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 18, 2023**

Keene State College President, Melinda Treadwell, invites outgoing and current legislators to a reception and KSC Men's Basketball game starting at 2:00 pm on Saturday, February 18th, 2023. Come see KSC's 6th ranked Men's team (currently 19-1) take on UMass-Boston. Light refreshment will be offered. Seating at the game is limited, so we do ask for your RSVP to: <https://forms.office.com/r/hgy0mDtnTa>. Event details, parking instructions, and directions will be sent upon reply.

Senator Donovan Fenton

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### **TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 21, 2023**

The New Hampshire Association of Nurse Anesthesiology (NHANA) and the New Hampshire Nurse Practitioner Association (NHNPA) will be hosting a legislative breakfast on Tuesday, February 21st, from 8:00 a.m.-10:00 a.m. in the State House cafeteria. Note that this has been rescheduled from January 26th. A hearty warm breakfast will be served. Advanced Practice Registered Nurses (APRN) including CRNAs, NPs and CNMs will be on hand to discuss pending legislation as well as the services they provide to NH residents.

Senator Ruth Ward

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### **WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 22, 2023**

Save the Children Action Network, New Futures, MomsRising, and NAEYC invite all NH Lawmakers to attend a hearty hot Legislative Breakfast on Wednesday, February 22nd beginning at 8:00 am at St. Paul's Church, 21 Centre St, Concord. Please join us as we work together to solve the child care crisis in NH. This bipartisan event will feature guest speakers who are passionate about improving NH's child care system. Questions? Contact Dellie Champagne at [Dchampagne@savechildren.org](mailto:Dchampagne@savechildren.org) or 603-496-8660. Registration is not required.

Senator Rebecca Whitley

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### **THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 23, 2023**

On February 23rd at 3:00 pm Jonathan Williams will offer a policy briefing on budgeting at the Upham Walker House. This is sponsored by the NH Members of ALEC. ALL House and Senate Members & Staff are welcome (if Executive Staff arrives, so much the better). This is a non-partisan event, as ALEC is a non-partisan organization. First time legislators are urged to visit to see what the largest legislative members educational organization in the nation (celebrating 50 years) is about. Coffee and desert snacks from State-house Cafe will be offered.

Please contact Jordan Ulery via email at [repulery@comcast.net](mailto:repulery@comcast.net) to reserve your spot. Seating is limited, so register early. A free-will offering to cover expenses is requested. If you have questions about ALEC please visit [alec.org](http://alec.org)

Senator Sharon M. Carson, Senate Majority Leader

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### **THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 23, 2023**

### **FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 24, 2023**

Legislators interested in learning more about the New Hampshire Retirement System are invited to attend a general information presentation. These events - not to be confused with the benefit information sessions regularly offered for members - are intended to serve as "NHRS 101," providing a broad, factual overview of the retirement system. The presentation is the same as one that was given to the legislative committees in January. A live events at the NHRS office is scheduled for Thursday, February 23rd, at 4:00 p.m. A live webinar is scheduled for 10:00 a.m. on Friday, February 24th. The presentations are expected to last between 60 and 75 minutes. All events are also open to the general public. RSVP by contacting Marty Karlon at (603)-410-3594 or [marty.karlon@nhrs.org](mailto:marty.karlon@nhrs.org).

Senator Sharon M. Carson, Senate Majority Leader  
Senator Howard Pearl

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### **TUESDAY, MARCH 7, 2023**

Dartmouth Health President and CEO Joanne M. Conroy, MD, would like to invite all legislators to a legislative breakfast from 7:30 a.m. to 9:00 a.m. on Tuesday, March 7th at the Hotel Concord, 11 S. Main Street in Concord. Please RSVP to either (603)-653-1910 or email at [Annette.e.moore@hitchcock.org](mailto:Annette.e.moore@hitchcock.org)

Senator Suzanne M. Prentiss

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### **WEDNESDAY, MARCH 8, 2023**

Legislative Breakfast – The annual Water's Worth It! legislative breakfast is set for Wednesday March 8, 2023 at the Holiday Inn on Main Street in Concord. Check in for the event begins at 7:00 a.m. with a breakfast buffet. Water quality professionals will present information on drinking water and wastewater treatment challenges in New Hampshire. The keynote speaker this year is Scott Spradling an Emmy award winning former reporter, anchor, and political director for WMUR-TV. In addition, Water Division staff for NH-DES will also address the audience. All legislators and staff are invited to enjoy a hearty breakfast and learn more about New Hampshire's water infrastructure. This event is free.

Please RSVP to [info.nhwpca@gmail.com](mailto:info.nhwpca@gmail.com) by February 24th to reserve your seat at this important breakfast. The breakfast is sponsored by the NH Water Pollution Control Association in conjunction with a wide-ranging coalition of other NH non-profit water organizations. There is no cost for enjoying breakfast with your legislative peers and attending this event.

Senator Timothy Lang

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**WEDNESDAY, MARCH 8, 2023**

The American Cancer Society Cancer Action Network – NH will be hosting a Legislative Luncheon on Wednesday, March 8, from 12:00 p.m. to 1:30 p.m. in the State House cafeteria. American Cancer Society Cancer Action Network volunteers and staff will be on hand to discuss pending legislative priorities as well as what services the Cancer Society provides to NH residents.

Senator Regina Birdsell

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**THURSDAY, MARCH 9, 2023**

The New Hampshire Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics cordially invites all legislators and staff to the 2023 NHAND legislative breakfast at St Paul's Episcopal Church in Concord on Thursday, March 9th from 7:30 a.m. – 9:00 a.m. prior to the session start, to discuss issues important to legislators, dietitians and NH citizens.

Senator Rebecca Whitley  
Senator Daniel Innis

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**THURSDAY, MARCH 16, 2023**

Legislators & staff are cordially invited to the annual Walmart lunch and health screening in the State House cafeteria on Thursday, March 16 starting at 11:30 a.m.

Senator Regina Birdsell

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**TUESDAY, MARCH 28, 2023**

Please join the Community College System of New Hampshire for a meet and greet in the State House cafeteria Tuesday, March 28th from 11:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. Legislators are invited to join college and system leaders and discuss education and workforce development issues of importance to your region and the state. Refreshments, provided by culinary students from Lakes Region and White Mountains Community Colleges, will be served. The committee that leaves us the most business cards will win a gorgeously decorated and delicious cake made by pastry arts students.

Senator Jeb Bradley, Senate President

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**SENATE SCHEDULE**

Monday, February 20, 2023	President's Day (State Holiday)
Thursday, February 23, 2023	Senate Session
Monday, February 27, 2023 – Friday, March 03, 2023	SENATE BREAK.
Thursday, March 09, 2023	Senate Session
Thursday, March 09, 2023	Deadline for Policy Committees to ACT on all Senate bills with a fiscal impact, except bills exempted pursuant to Senate Rule 4-5.
Thursday, March 30, 2023	CROSSOVER – Deadline to ACT on all Senate bills.
Thursday, May 18, 2023	Deadline for Policy Committees to ACT on all House bills with a fiscal impact, except bills exempted pursuant to Senate Rule 4-5.
Monday, May 29, 2023	Memorial Day (State Holiday)

Thursday, June 08, 2023	Deadline to ACT on all House bills.
Thursday, June 15, 2023	Deadline to FORM Committees of Conference.
Thursday, June 22, 2023	Deadline to SIGN Committee of Conference Reports.
Thursday, June 29, 2023	Deadline to ACT on Committee of Conference Reports.
Tuesday, July 04, 2023	Independence Day (State Holiday)
Monday, September 04, 2023	Labor Day (State Holiday)
Friday, November 10, 2023	Veterans' Day (Observed) (State Holiday)
Thursday, November 23, 2023	Thanksgiving Day (State Holiday)
Friday, November 24, 2023	Day after Thanksgiving (State Holiday)
Monday, December 25, 2023	Christmas Day (State Holiday)