



# New Hampshire House of Representatives

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BILL	COMMITTEE	RECOMMENDATION
HB597	CRIMINAL JUSTICE	SUPPORT MOTION TO RECOMMIT
HB119	ED&A	SUPPORT OTP
HB573	ED&A	SUPPORT ITL

### REGULAR CALENDAR

#### CHILDREN & FAMILY LAW

**HB 168**, relative to grounds for divorce for persons with minor children. (pg. 179)

- This bill permits no fault divorce based on irreconcilable differences only if the parties do not have minor children.

**Committee Recommendation: ITL 13-4**

**REPUBLICANS SUPPORTED THE COMMITTEE REPORT 5-4 WITH 3 MEMBERS ABSENT.**

#### CRIMINAL JUSTICE & PUBLIC SAFETY

**HB 245**, establishing a committee to study state and county departments of corrections. (pg. 179)

- This bill establishes a committee to study state and county departments of corrections.

**Committee Recommendation: ITL 10-6**

**REPUBLICANS SUPPORTED THE COMMITTEE REPORT OF ITL 5-4 WITH 2 MEMBERS ABSENT.**

**HB 597-FN**, relative to penalties for indecent exposure and lewdness. (pg. 179)

- This bill increases the criminal penalty for purposely fornicating, exposing his or her genitals, or performing any other act of gross lewdness while in the presence of a child less than 16 years of age from a misdemeanor to a class B felony.

**Committee Recommendation: OTP 11-5**

**REPUBLICANS SUPPORTED THE COMMITTEE REPORT OF OTP 6-3 WITH 2 MEMBERS ABSENT.**

**LEADERSHIP POSITION: SUPPORT MOTION TO RECOMMIT BILL TO CRIMINAL JUSTICE.**

#### EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENTS & ADMINISTRATION

**HB 119**, establishing the John G. Winant Memorial Commission. (pg. 179)

- This bill establishes the John G. Winant Memorial Commission.

**Committee Recommendation: OTP 10-3**

**REPUBLICANS SUPPORTED THE COMMITTEE REPORT OF OTP 5-3 WITH 4 MEMBERS ABSENT.**

**LEADERSHIP POSITION: SUPPORT OTP.**

**HB 642-FN-L**, allowing gold and silver as lawful mediums of exchange. (pg. 180)

- This bill allows the use of gold and silver as lawful mediums of exchange in any transaction in this state.

**Committee Recommendation: ITL 13-3**

**REPUBLICANS SUPPORTED THE COMMITTEE REPORT OF ITL 6-3 WITH 3 MEMBERS ABSENT.**

**HB 573-FN**, relative to licensure of individuals as private investigators, bail enforcement agents, and security guards, requiring skills training courses for applicants for such licensure and license renewal, and relative to the certification of security officer instructors. (pg. 180)

- This bill provides that the commissioner of safety may issue an individual license to a person licensed as a private investigator, bail enforcement agent, or security guard and authorize endorsements on the license and identification card showing multiple licensure.
- The bill also requires an applicant for licensure and renewal of licensure as a private investigator, bail enforcement agent, or security guard to complete skills training courses offered by certified security officer instructors as determined in rules adopted by the commissioner of safety.
- The bill establishes a program for the certification of security officer instructors.

**Committee Recommendation: ITL 15-0**

**REPUBLICANS UNANIMOUSLY SUPPORTED THE COMMITTEE REPORT OF ITL WITH 2 MEMBERS ABSENT.**

**LEADERSHIP POSITION: SUPPORT ITL.**

## FINANCE

**HB 176-FN-A-L**, relative to towns affected by the Merrimack River flood control compact and the Connecticut River flood control compact and making an appropriation therefor. (pg. 180)

- This bill makes an appropriation to the department of revenue administration for the towns affected by the Merrimack River flood control compact and the Connecticut River flood control compact.

**Committee Recommendation: ITL 13-9**

**REPUBLICANS SUPPORTED THE COMMITTEE REPORT OF ITL 12-1 WITH 1 MEMBER ABSENT.**

## JUDICIARY

**HB 194**, providing that life begins at conception. (pg. 180)

- This bill establishes the All People Created Equal Act.

**Committee Recommendation: ITL 10-4**

**REPUBLICANS SUPPORTED THE COMMITTEE REPORT OF ITL 5-4 WITH 3 MEMBERS ABSENT.**

**HB 269**, allowing a landlord to collect first and last month's rent in addition to security deposit. (pg. 181)

- This bill allows a landlord to collect first and last month's rent in addition to a security deposit.

**Committee Recommendation: ITL 13-2**

**REPUBLICANS SUPPORTED THE COMMITTEE REPORT 7-2 WITH 3 MEMBERS ABSENT.**

## LEGISLATIVE ADMINISTRATION

**HB 371**, relative to assessing the consequences of the Citizens United decision. (pg. 181)

- This bill requires legislative hearings assessing the consequences of the *Citizens United* decision evaluating related proposals to amend the United States Constitution and calls upon New Hampshire's congressional delegation to support an amendment to the United States Constitution

**Committee Recommendation: ITL 5-4**

**REPUBLICANS UNANIMOUSLY SUPPORTED THE COMMITTEE REPORT OF ITL WITH 1 MEMBER ABSENT.**

## MUNICIPAL & COUNTY GOVERNMENT

**HB 147**, relative to the homestead exemption amount. (pg. 182)

- This bill increases the amount of the homestead exemption.
- The bill, as amended, would increase the homestead exemption from \$100,000 to \$120,000.

**Committee Recommendation: OTP/A 14-5**

**REPUBLICANS SUPPORTED THE COMMITTEE REPORT OF OTP/A 7-4 WITH 1 MEMBER ABSENT.**

## SCIENCE, TECHNOLOGY & ENERGY

**HB 153**, relative to the telecommunications planning and development advisory committee. (pg. 182)

- This bill revises the membership and duties of the telecommunications planning and development advisory committee.

**Committee Recommendation: OTP 12-9**

**REPUBLICANS OPPOSED THE COMMITTEE REPORT OF OTP 9-3.**

**HB 362**, relative to the reliability of the electric grid. (pg. 182)

- This bill modifies requirements for the removal of hazardous trees.
- This bill also adds a requirement for electric utility integrated resource plans.

**Committee Recommendation: OTP/A 18-3**

**REPUBLICANS UNANIMOUSLY SUPPORTED THE COMMITTEE REPORT OF OTP/A.**

## BILLS REMOVED FROM CONSENT

## CRIMINAL JUSTICE & PUBLIC SAFETY

*Removed by Rep. Hoell*

**HB 492**, relative to military and historic reenactments and commemorations. (pg. 172)

- This bill requires military and historic re-enactors to obtain permission from the fire department and comply with the state fire code.
- This bill is a request of the department of safety.

**Committee Recommendation: OTP/A 16-0**

**REPUBLICANS UNANIMOUSLY SUPPORTED THE COMMITTEE REPORT OF OTP/A.**

## HEALTH, HUMAN SERVICES & ELDERLY AFFAIRS

*Removed by Rep. Dan McGuire*

**HB 101**, relative to prescription refills. (pg. 173)

- This bill clarifies the 34-day limit on prescription refills of schedule III controlled drugs.

**Committee Recommendation: ITL 14-0**

**REPUBLICANS UNANIMOUSLY SUPPORTED THE COMMITTEE REPORT OF ITL.**

## JUDICIARY

*Removed by Rep. Hoell*

**CACR 8**, Relating to the nomination and appointment of officers. Providing that judicial officers shall be confirmed by the legislature. (pg. 174)

- This constitutional amendment concurrent resolution provides that the appointment of judicial officers shall be confirmed by the legislature.

**Committee Recommendation: ITL 13-2**

**REPUBLICANS SUPPORTED THE COMMITTEE REPORT OF ITL 7-2 WITH 3 MEMBERS ABSENT.**

*Removed by Rep. Hoell*

**HB 246**, relative to jury nullification. (pg. 174)

- This bill makes it an act of maladministration for a judge to deny or limit the right of the accused to inform the jury of its right to judge the facts and application of the law in relation to the facts in controversy.

**Committee Recommendation: ITL 14-1**

**REPUBLICANS SUPPORTED THE COMMITTEE REPORT OF ITL 8-1 WITH 3 MEMBERS ABSENT.**

## LEGISLATIVE ADMINISTRATION

*Removed by Rep. Hoell*

**HB 338**, relative to nomination of candidates for United States senator. (pg. 175)

- This bill requires members of the general court to nominate candidates for United States senator.

**Committee Recommendation: ITL 9-0**

**REPUBLICANS UNANIMOUSLY SUPPORTED THE COMMITTEE REPORT OF ITL.**

*Removed by Rep. Horrigan*

**HR 8**, commemorating the 50th anniversary of the Social Security Act of 1965. (pg. 175)

- This resolution commemorates the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Social Security Act of 1965.

**Committee Recommendation: ITL 9-0**

**REPUBLICANS UNANIMOUSLY SUPPORTED THE COMMITTEE REPORT OF ITL.**

## MUNICIPAL & COUNTY GOVERNMENT

*Removed by Rep. Porter*

**HB 145**, allowing municipalities to dedicate a percentage of timber yield taxes to the conservation fund. (pg. 175)

- This bill enables municipalities to adopt a requirement that normal yield tax revenue be held in a yield tax fund and that a specified percentage of such yield taxes be deposited in the conservation fund for use by the conservation commission.

**Committee Recommendation: ITL 16-4**

**REPUBLICANS UNANIMOUSLY SUPPORTED THE COMMITTEE REPORT OF ITL.**