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House Majority Leader Statement on Unemployment Rate for March

CONCORD - House Majority Leader Richard "Dick" Hinch (R-Merrimack) offered the following statement on the release of March employment data by the New Hampshire Department of Employment Security. According to the release, the March 2016 unemployment rate decreased to 2.6 percent. New Hampshire's preliminary seasonally adjusted unemployment rate for March 2016 was 2.6 percent, a decrease of 0.1 percentage.

"This is another encouraging sign for our state's economy, and an indication that responsible Republican leadership in Concord is producing meaningful results," said Hinch. "We may be among the lowest states when it comes to unemployment, but there is still work to do when it comes to sustaining a positive economic trajectory, and ensuring our state has the tools it needs to attract new jobs."

"One major Republican initiative is the reduction of our business tax burden that will enable more reinvestment and further job creation. Our budget lowered business taxes for the first time in 20 years, and prescribes another modest reduction in the near future. This tax relief will help increase our competitive edge, and help grow and sustain a 21st century economy in New Hampshire," added Hinch.

NHGOP launches Vets Task Force

On Wednesday NHGOP Chairman Jennifer Horn, NHGOP Vice Chairman Matt Mayberry, State Senator Regina Birdsell, and New Hampshire House members launched the GOPVets New Hampshire Task Force. GOPVets was established as the Republican Party's military and veteran engagement program dedicated to recruiting more veterans to directly participate in the 2016 elections. More than a dozen military veteran House members participated in the event pictured below.



NH House Continuing Education: A Primary Physician's Perspective on the Opioid Crisis.

From the calendar notice from Rep. Lynne Ober and Rep. Dick Hinch, there will be a House continuing education on **Monday, May 2nd at 10:00 a.m.** in Reps Hall.

The topic is "A Primary Physician's Perspective on the Opioid Crisis." Dr. Zavod is an internal medicine physician who is well known and respected. Dr. Zavod not only serves as an expert witness for Massachusetts and Rhode Island in malpractice cases, but has worked with the NH Board of Medicine in an advisory role regarding opioid prescriptions.

The presentation will be an hour long and Dr. Zavod will take questions from the audience. All representatives are encouraged to attend and invite their town selectmen or school boards, since this information is applicable to the towns as well. Please plan to attend.

The next House session will be Wednesday, April 20th at 10am.

There will be a Republican caucus Wednesday, April 20th at 9am in Reps Hall.

Fisher Cats celebrate 100th anniversary of the NH Primary

On Thursday at the NH Fisher Cats home opener at Delta Dental Stadium, they celebrated the 100th anniversary of the NH Primary by donning bi-partisan jerseys and a red cap with the Republican party elephant (red cap winner of contest held by team.)

Celebrating with the team was Rep. Dennis Fields! Rep. Fields was the prime sponsor of HB503, which authorized the 100th anniversary commemorative election ballots.



(Photo Credit: NH Fishercats)

Housing Action NH honors Rep. Jim Belanger

Rep. Jim Belanger was honored this past week for his work on “NH’s landmark new law governing Accessory Dwellings.”

Rep. Belanger received the 2016 Home Matters Award that recognizes those who have gone above and beyond to inform, advocate and advance policies that help ensure everyone in NH has a place to call home.



Session Preview

SB210, relative to the regulation of septic system evaluators.

SB480, relative to the state house visitor’s center revolving fund.

SB368, making capital appropriations for department of environmental services monitoring equipment.

SB509, relative to voter registration forms and relative to voter identity verification.

SB334, establishing a commission to study the planning functions of the office of energy and planning.

Filing period quickly approaching

We are officially under two months until the end of the filing period! As a reminder, filing for office will take place June 1st – June 10th!

If you are a current House member and haven’t let us know if you’re planning on running again, please let the Majority Office know soon. Or, if you know of others running in your districts, please get us their names so we can keep them up to date on information they may need.

Also, as a reminder, if you know someone running as a Republican who may be registered as an independent, the **deadline to change their party affiliation is May 31st!**