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Contains: minority report that have been suppressed or censored by the majority

HRA SUPPLEMENTAL CALENDAR OF SUPPRESSED AND CENSORED MINORITY REPORTS

NOTICE

This week's calendar of suppressed and censored minority reports features a minority report that was edited without notice to or permission of the minority member. Removed language is in **brackets** []; unauthorized additional language is in *italics*.

REGULAR CALENDAR

WAYS AND MEANS

HB 383, relative to passenger restraints. **MAJORITY: OUGHT TO PASS WITH AMENDMENT. MINORITY: INEXPEDIENT TO LEGISLATE.**

Rep. David J. Bettencourt for the **Minority** of Judiciary: The haste to command mandatory seat belt use in the name of "safety" has neglected to adequately examine the potential negative fiscal impact that this legislation could have on New Hampshire. Outside of the promised federal funds the state would receive for compelling seat belt use, there has been no effort to determine the cost this legislation could have on the localities and the state in dealing with deaths caused by wearing seat belts. Additionally, the minority is [**suspicious of**] *concerned about* the potential hidden costs that could equal or exceed the revenue we would receive from the federal government. A bill such as this should not be considered without a thorough analysis of incidents and costs. Such a study has yet to take place.