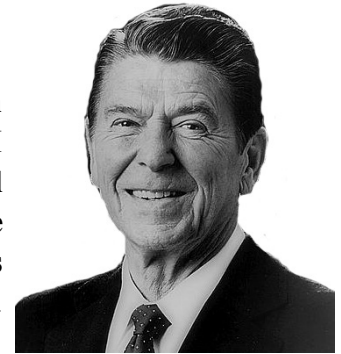


House Republican Alliance Recommendation Sheet

For May 11, 2005 House Session

The purpose of the House Republican Alliance is to preserve and strengthen the traditional principles and values of the Republican Party through the NH House of Representatives and throughout the state of NH, including fiscal restraint, personal freedom and responsibility, small government, free enterprise and strong families. We offer the following recommendations based on those principles, the Republican Party Platform and the NH and Federal Constitutions.



REGULAR CALENDAR

EDUCATION

SB 38-FN, relative to school building aid for certain receiving districts. OUGHT TO PASS Vote 14-1.

No Recommendation

SB 90-FN-A-L, relative to kindergarten construction aid. OUGHT TO PASS Vote 15-0

No Recommendation

JUDICIARY

SB 61, relative to judges giving notice of intent to retire, and relative to retired status for judges and assignment of judicial referees. MAJORITY: OUGHT TO PASS WITH AMENDMENT. Vote 16-2.

No Recommendation

SB 63-FN-A, establishing a court mediation fund to pay the costs of a mediation program in the district courts. MAJORITY: OUGHT TO PASS. Vote 12-6.

Listen to the debate and vote your conscience.

No Recommendation

SB 75-FN, relative to the statute of limitations for a civil actions based upon a sexual assault case. OUGHT TO PASS WITH AMENDMENT Vote 12-6.

This is a poorly worded amendment. Listen to the debate and vote your conscience. No Recommendation

SB 210-FN, relative to a declaratory judgment to adjudicate constitutional nexus. INEXPEDIENT TO LEGISLATE Vote 12-6.

No Recommendation

LABOR, INDUSTRIAL AND REHABILITATIVE SERVICES

SB 113-FN, relative to the use of federal funds for technology improvements within the department of employment security. OUGHT TO PASS Vote 9-6.

No Recommendation

SB 172, establishing a committee to study a medical fee schedule for workers' compensation. OUGHT TO PASS Vote 8-7.

No Recommendation

PUBLIC WORKS AND HIGHWAYS

SB 164-FN, relative to the disposal of real property purchased with highway or turnpike funds. MAJORITY: OUGHT TO PASS. Vote 11-5. **The blurb says it all with “ The legislation additionally makes the state comply with Article 6-a of the NH Constitution by eliminating the approval by the Council on Resources and Development (CORD) for disposal of property that was purchased with state or federal highway funds. Article 6-a states “No part of such revenues shall by transfer of funds, or otherwise, be diverted to any other purpose whatsoever.” The CORD process has previously allowed for such diversion of property in violation of Article 6-a resulting in diminishing the funds available for highway and turnpike maintenance and construction.”**

Recommendation Support OTP

TRANSPORTATION

SB 145-FN, establishing a medical/vision advisory board. OT P WITH AMENDMENT Vote 9-4.

No Recommendation

WAYS AND MEANS

SB 18, relative to sales of tickets for pure lotteries by those not employed by the lottery commission. INEXPEDIENT TO LEGISLATE Vote 12-8. **No Recommendation**

SB 20-FN, relative to an increase in lottery ticket prices. OUGHT TO PASS Vote 12-9.

No Recommendation

RONALD REAGAN QUOTES

From *Remarks at Memorial Day Ceremonies Honoring an Unknown Serviceman of the Vietnam Conflict Arlington, Virginia May 28, 1984*

When he spoke at a ceremony at Gettysburg in 1863, President Lincoln reminded us that through their deeds, the dead had spoken more eloquently for themselves than any of the living ever could, and that we living could only honor them by rededicating ourselves to the cause for which they so willingly gave a last full measure of devotion.

Not long ago, when a memorial was dedicated here in Washington to our Vietnam veterans, the events surrounding that dedication were a stirring reminder of America's resilience, of how our nation could learn and grow and transcend the tragedies of the past.

During the dedication ceremonies, the rolls of those who died and are still missing were read for three days in a candlelight ceremony at the National Cathedral. And the veterans of Vietnam who were never welcomed home with speeches and bands, but who were never defeated in battle and were heroes as surely as any who have ever fought in a noble cause, staged their own parade on Constitution Avenue. As America watched them--some in wheelchairs, all of them proud--there was a feeling that this nation--that as a nation we were coming together again and that we had, at long last, welcomed the boys home.

The Unknown Soldier who is returned to us today and whom we lay to rest is symbolic of all our missing sons, and we will present him with the Congressional Medal of Honor, the highest military decoration that we can bestow.

About him we may well wonder, as others have: As a child, did he play on some street in a great American city? Or did he work beside his father on a farm out in America's heartland? Did he marry? Did he have children? Did he look expectantly to return to a bride?

We'll never know the answers to these questions about his life. We do know, though, why he died. He saw the horrors of war but bravely faced them, certain his own cause and his country's cause was a noble one; that he was fighting for human dignity, for free men everywhere. Today we pause to embrace him and all who served us so well in a war whose end offered no parades, no flags, and so little thanks. We can be worthy of the values and ideals for which our sons sacrificed--worthy of their courage in the face of a fear that few of us will ever experience--by honoring their commitment and devotion to duty and country.

Many veterans of Vietnam still serve in the Armed Forces, work in our offices, on our farms, and in our factories. Most have kept their experiences private, but most have been strengthened by their call to duty. A grateful nation opens her heart today in gratitude for their sacrifice, for their courage, and for their noble service. Let us, if we must, debate the lessons learned at some other time. Today, we simply say with pride, "Thank you, dear son. May God cradle you in His loving arms."

"No Person was ever honored for what he received. Honor has been the reward for what he gave."

Calvin Coolidge.

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