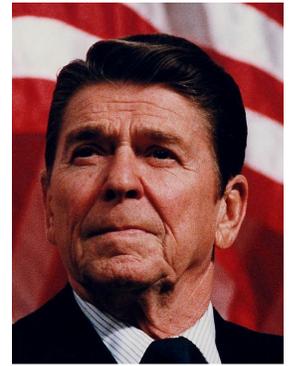


# House Republican Alliance Recommendation Sheet



"Trust but Verify"

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.

**Tuesday, March 15, 2022**  
**Regular Calendar**

## Children and Family Law

**HB1280**, prohibiting a parent's refusal to vaccinate a child pursuant to an order of the state or federal government to be used as a basis for terminating parental rights. **Maj. OTP Vote: 8-7**

**HRA Analysis:** Platform: Maintain the fundamental role and responsibility of both parents in the care, upbringing and discipline of their children.

**HRA Recommendation:** Support OTP

**HB1286**, relative to the modification of parental rights and responsibilities. **Maj. ITL Vote: 8-7**

**HRA Analysis:** Platform: Government has a moral obligation to the people to be as cost effective as possible.

**HRA Recommendation:** Support ITL

**HB1305**, relative to temporary alimony. **Maj. OTP Vote: 8-7**

**HRA Analysis:** Platform: Maintain the fundamental role and responsibility of both parents in the care, upbringing and discipline of their children.

**HRA Recommendation:** Support OTP

**HB1382**, relative to the presumption of shared parenting in the determination of parental rights and responsibilities. **Maj. OTP/A Vote: 8-7**

**HRA Analysis:** Platform: Maintain the fundamental role and responsibility of both parents in the care, upbringing and discipline of their children.

**HRA Recommendation:** Support OTP/A

**HB1396**, relative to the payment of child support. **Maj. ITL Vote: 8-7**

**HRA Analysis:** Platform: Justify expenditures against measurable benefits.

**HRA Recommendation:** Support ITL

**HB1416**, relative to consent for mental health treatment in parenting cases with shared decision-making responsibility. **Maj. OTP/A Vote: 14-1**

**HRA Analysis:** No platform or constitutional issues identified.

**HRA Recommendation:** No recommendation

**HB1431**, establishing the parental bill of rights. **Maj. OTP/A Vote: 8-7**

**HRA Analysis:** Platform: Promote education freedom and parental rights to control the education of their children.

**HRA Recommendation:** Support OTP/A

**HB1518**, relative to the requirements for appointed guardians. **OTP/A Vote: 8-7**

**HRA Analysis:** Platform: Ensure due process rights of those accused of child abuse or neglect.

**HRA Recommendation:** Support OTP/A

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**HB1612**, relative to the confidentiality of reports made to the division of children, youth, and families and requiring guardians ad litem be appointed in certain instances. **Maj. OTP/A Vote: 8-7**

**HRA Analysis:** Platform: Ensure due process rights of those accused of child abuse or neglect.

**HRA Recommendation:** Support OTP/A

**HB1614**, requiring the recording and storing of digital video in all state-funded juvenile detention facilities. **OTP Vote: 12-3**

**HRA Analysis:** Platform: Justify expenditures against measurable benefits.

**HRA Recommendation:** Support OTP

## **Commerce and Consumer Affairs**

**HB1019**, establishing a committee to study the replacement of certain professional licenses with mandatory minimum liability insurance requirements. **Maj. Int. study Vote: 10-8**

**HRA Analysis:** No platform or constitutional issues identified.

**HRA Recommendation:** No recommendation

**HB1028**, relative to the form of individual health insurance policies. **Maj. Int. study Vote: 15-3**

**HRA Analysis:** No platform or constitutional issues identified.

**HRA Recommendation:** No recommendation

**HB1380**, relative to installation of solar photovoltaic energy systems by owners subject to deed restrictions in a homeowners association. **Maj. ITL Vote: 14-4**

**HRA Analysis:** No platform or constitutional issues identified.

**HRA Recommendation:** No recommendation

**HB1413**, relative to privacy of online customer information. **Maj. ITL Vote: 17-1**

**HRA Analysis:** No platform or constitutional issues identified.

**HRA Recommendation:** No recommendation

**HB1503**, exempting the developer, seller, or facilitator of the exchange of an open blockchain token from certain securities laws. **Maj. OTP/A Vote: 14-4**

**HRA Analysis:** Platform: Minimize business regulations, permits, licenses and paperwork.

**HRA Recommendation:** Support OTP/A

**HB1583**, relative to locations and days of operation of state liquor stores. **Maj. OTP/A Vote: 17-1**

**HRA Analysis:** No platform or constitutional issues identified.

**HRA Recommendation:** No recommendation

## **Criminal Justice and Public Safety**

**CACR20**, relating to personal liberty. Providing that adults shall have the right to possess cannabis for personal consumption. **Maj. ITL Vote: 15-5**

**HRA Analysis:** No platform or constitutional issues identified.

**HRA Recommendation:** No recommendation

**CACR34**, relating to the use, sale, or cultivation of cannabis. Providing that the state shall make no law prohibiting the use, sale, or cultivation of cannabis for persons over 18 years of age. **Maj. ITL Vote: 13-7**

**HRA Analysis:** No platform or constitutional issues identified.

**HRA Recommendation:** No recommendation

**CACR35**, relating to cannabis. Providing that all adults have the right to possess, use, and cultivate cannabis, subject to regulation by the legislature. **Maj. ITL Vote: 14-6**

**HRA Analysis:** No platform or constitutional issues identified.

**HRA Recommendation:** No recommendation

**HB1004**, relative to penalties for failure to provide information after an animal injury. **ITL Vote: 15-6**

**HRA Analysis:** No platform or constitutional issues identified.

**HRA Recommendation:** No recommendation

**HB1017**, establishing criminal penalties for harming or threatening to harm an essential worker. **Maj. ITL Vote: 16-3**

**HRA Analysis:** No platform or constitutional issues identified.

**HRA Recommendation:** No recommendation

**HB1072**, establishing a criminal penalty for denying an elected school district official access to any school district facilities, documents, or events. **Maj. OTP/A Vote: 11-10**

**HRA Analysis:** This bill supports our constitutionally protected right of government transparency by assuring access for qualified officials. Part 1, Article 8

**HRA Recommendation:** Support OTP/A

**HB1085**, relative to ignition lock requirements. **Maj. OTP Vote: 11-6**

**HRA Analysis:** No platform or constitutional issues identified.

**HRA Recommendation:** No recommendation

**HB1096**, prohibiting open carrying or display of a deadly weapon within 100 feet of a polling place. **Maj. ITL Vote: 13-7**

**HRA Analysis:** Constitution: 2nd Amendment and Article 2-a

**HRA Recommendation:** Support ITL

**HB1105**, relative to earned time credits. **Maj. Int. study Vote: 13-7**

**HRA Analysis:** Bill seeks to address "other programs" by limiting the total earned credits under this section to a max 60 days of credit off the min and max sentence imposed by the courts. Conflicting testimony approved by commissioner committee favored Interim Study

**HRA Recommendation:** No recommendation

**HB1108**, relative to the prescribed manner of posting land. **Maj. ITL Vote: 12-7**

**HRA Analysis:** Platform: Encourage landowners to keep their property open and accessible to responsible recreation.

**HRA Recommendation:** Support ITL

**HB1117**, relative to the circumstances constituting criminal threatening. **ITL Vote: 11-10**

**HRA Analysis:** This bill would add many special groups and special classes to criminal threatening and graffiti statute such as "marital status" and "people of one age" Constitution: Part First, Article 10 government being not for the private interest or emolument of any one class of men.

**HRA Recommendation:** Support ITL

**HB1127**, relative to posthumous exonerations and annulments. **Maj. Int. study Vote: 16-5**

**HRA Analysis:** No platform or constitutional issues identified.

**HRA Recommendation:** No recommendation

**HB1178**, prohibiting the state from enforcing any federal statute, regulation, or Presidential Executive Order that restricts or regulates the right of the people to keep and bear arms. **OTP/A Vote: 12-7**

**HRA Analysis:** as amended, this bill states that the State of NH nor any political subdivision shall any personnel or financial resources to enforce or cooperate with any federal Law, Act, Rule or Presidential Exec Order that is inconsistent with any NH law relating to firearms, ammunition, components etc. Part First, Art 2-a, All persons have the right to keep and bear arms

**HRA Recommendation:** Support OTP/A

**HB1266**, relative to restrictions on enforcement of federal immigration laws. **Maj. OTP/A Vote: 11-10**

**HRA Analysis:** As amended, allows NH law enforcement to honor a detainer request from immigration, should the detainer become known in the booking process. The bill also says that the state of NH or any subdivisions, shall not make any policy that would prohibit law enforcement from honoring the detainer issued by immigration. Platform: Oppose any form of amnesty for illegal aliens.

**HRA Recommendation:** Support OTP/A

**HB1296**, relative to money, coin, or currency which may be forfeited in connection with a drug offense. **Maj. OTP/A Vote: 11-10**

**HRA Analysis:** This bill unifies two separate processes gaining efficiency in the court system, while ensuring due process protections. Constitution: Article 15; Platform: Prioritize programs to ensure effective spending.

**HRA Recommendation:** Support OTP/A

**HB1306**, relative to personal possession of marijuana. **Maj. Int. study Vote: 18-3**

**HRA Analysis:** No platform or constitutional issues identified.

**HRA Recommendation:** No recommendation

**HB1348**, relative to the legalization of a certain amount of cannabis. **Maj. Int. study Vote: 17-4**

**HRA Analysis:** No platform or constitutional issues identified.

**HRA Recommendation:** No recommendation

**HB1361**, establishing a penalty for any person who transports a controlled drug into New Hampshire with the intent to distribute. **Maj. OTP/A Vote: 12-8**

**HRA Analysis:** As amended, would hold as guilty of a Class A felony, with a minimum sentence of five years and the forfeiture of the vehicle, any person who enters the state of NH with the intent to distribute any schedule 1 drugs listed in the Controlled Drug Act, RSA 318-B, except any cannabis type drug would not be included. No Platform or Constitutional issues.

**HRA Recommendation:** No recommendation

**HB1400**, prohibiting law enforcement from using the scent of marijuana as probable cause for a search. **ITL Vote: 12-8**

**HRA Analysis:** As written, the bill states that police shall not use the scent of marijuana as probable cause to search a motor vehicle or to request a search warrant. The NH Court has ruled that the scent of marijuana alone, is not probable cause to search a vehicle, thus a search warrant would not be issued and a search based on the scent would be an illegal search, per NH Court rulings. No platform or constitution issues.

**HRA Recommendation:** No recommendation

**HB1414**, requiring the state police to submit an annual report on traffic violations. **Maj. ITL Vote: 12-8**

**HRA Analysis:** As written, the bill would have the state police gather and provide to the general Court and the Governor, and publish annually, a listing of specific items concerning of all traffic violations cited by the state police. The State police testified that some of the required information such as race, is information that they do not collect and track. They also stated that some of the required information such as citations paid on time, citations paid late, citations not paid, is not information that they possess. No platform of constitutional issues.

**HRA Recommendation:** No recommendation

**HB1476**, relative to persons arrested while out on bail. **Maj. OTP/A Vote: 13-7**

**HRA Analysis:** As amended, this bill would have a person who is out on bail, or on release pending trial, and is charged with a class B misdemeanor for the third time, be held for not more than 36 hours, in preventive detention, without bail, pending a hearing before a judge. The court shall not order personal recognizance bail in such cases. This bill violates the 14th amendment's due process clause and the presumption of innocence by holding in detention a person who has not been found guilty of any crime.

**HRA Recommendation:** Oppose OTP/A

**HB1512**, relative to the parole of certain prisoners. **Maj. ITL Vote: 12-8**

**HRA Analysis:** This bill as written would do away with the sentence of Life Without Parole by stating that the DOC Commissioner shall grant a parole hearing for any person incarcerated over 25 years. The DOC Commissioner does not have the authority to grant a parole. The parole board stated that they do not have the authority to reduce a minimum sentence issued by the courts. No platform or constitutional issues.

**HRA Recommendation:** No recommendation

**HB1539**, relative to the removal of certain information from the New Hampshire state police website. **ITL Vote: 10-7**

**HRA Analysis:** This bill would have the state police, upon request, remove any arrest records from the state police weekly blotter, for a person who was not prosecuted or had the case dismissed. No constitutional or platform issues identified.

**HRA Recommendation:** No recommendation

**HB1600**, relative to the use of body cameras by law enforcement during an interview or interrogation. **Maj. Int. study Vote: 17-3**

**HRA Analysis:** No constitutional or platform issues identified.

**HRA Recommendation:** No recommendation

**HB1668**, requiring a background check prior to any commercial firearm sale. **Maj. ITL Vote: 11-9**

**HRA Analysis:** US and NH constitutions 2 and 2-a.

**HRA Recommendation:** Support ITL

## Education

**HB1047**, relative to the chartered public school joint legislative oversight committee. **Maj. ITL Vote: 10-9**

**HRA Analysis:** This bill is duplicative as there is already an oversight committee for charter schools written into rules.

**HRA Recommendation:** Support ITL

**HB1051**, relative to state board of education rules for credit for alternative, extended learning, and work-based programs. **Maj. ITL Vote: 10-9**

**HRA Analysis:** This bill revises rulemaking authority of the state BOE to adopt rules for alternative programs in alternative, extended learning and work-based programs. This is viewed as an attack on the Learn Everywhere program for graduation credits. Platform: Promote education freedom and parental rights to control the education of their child.

**HRA Recommendation:** Support ITL

**HB1090**, relative to teaching on discrimination in the public schools. **Maj. ITL Vote: 10-9**

**HRA Analysis:** This measure repeals the education anti-discrimination law added by HB 2 last year. Platform: Promote personal responsibility and consequences for one's actions. Constitution - Part First, Article 1 - Equality of men, origin and object of government.

**HRA Recommendation:** Support ITL

**HB1113**, prohibiting the department of education and the state board of education from directing or limiting school instructional options, such as remote learning. **Maj. ITL Vote: 10-9**

**HRA Analysis:** As amended this measure allows remote instruction to satisfy the required number of hours of school.

**HRA Recommendation:** Support ITL

**HB1114**, relative to education service providers under the education freedom account program. **Maj. ITL Vote: 10-9**

**HRA Analysis:** Requirements listed in this measure are already in Rule with the DOE. This measure is duplicitious. Platform: Prioritize spending and limit growth of government

**HRA Recommendation:** Support ITL

**HB1115**, relative to record of educational attainment under the educational freedom account program. **Maj. ITL Vote: 10-9**

**HRA Analysis:** This bill significantly changes EFA program assessments, would test EFA students differently, creates unnecessary burden for parents. Platform: support school choice support parents right to control the education of their children

**HRA Recommendation:** Support ITL

**HB1120**, relative to education service providers under the education freedom accounts program. **Maj. ITL Vote: 10-9**

**HRA Analysis:** The requirements outlined in this measure are already in RULE. This is duplicitious. Platform: Government has a responsibility to be as cost effective as possible and to limit growth of government

**HRA Recommendation:** Support ITL

**HB1131**, relative to facial covering policies for schools. **Maj. OTP/A Vote: 10-8**

**HRA Analysis:** Prohibits school boards from adopting, enforcing, implementing a policy that requires students of members of the public to wear a facial covering. Platform: Support the moral and ethical right of informed consent with regard to all medical treatment and intervention. Constitution: Part 1st Article 4 Rights of Conscience unalienable.

**HRA Recommendation:** Support ITL

**HB1132**, relative to applications for a charter conversion school. **Maj. OTP/A Vote: 11-8**

**HRA Analysis:** An existing public school may by a vote of the school board become a charter conversion school. This bill was amended to set vote requirements to 3/5 vote and time of vote to regular annual town meeting. Platform: local control and funding of public school and promote local control of education policy.

**HRA Recommendation:** Support OTP/A

**HB1137**, relative to the duty of school boards to provide education. **Int. study Vote: 12-6**

**HRA Analysis:** This bill states the duties and responsibilities of elected school boards and allows school boards to contract with any private school approved by the school board as a school tuition program. Platform: local control and funding of public schools and promote local control of education policy

**HRA Recommendation:** Overturn IS/Support OTP

**HB1152**, relative to verification of eligible students under the education freedom account program. **Maj. ITL Vote: 10-9**

**HRA Analysis:** This bill requires that eligible students in the EFA program continue to verify eligibility for free & reduced price meals. Platform: Encourage education freedom to allow all parents to choose the best public, private, charter or home school program for their children.

**HRA Recommendation:** Support ITL

**HB1190**, relative to rulemaking by the state board of education for compliance with federal provisions. **Maj. OTP Vote: 10-9**

**HRA Analysis:** relative to rulemaking by the state board of education for compliance with federal provisions - Violation of Article 28 A, Mandated programs-oppose all laws, programs and mandates from local, national and international organizations and governments contrary to our principles including but not limited to educational standards. Remove mandates , particularly unfunded mandates, as a condition for receiving state or federal aid.

**HRA Recommendation:** Support OTP

**HB1233**, prohibiting higher education institutions receiving state funds from requiring face masks and COVID-19 vaccinations for attendance. **Maj. Int. study Vote: 11-7**

**HRA Analysis:** This bill prohibits higher education institutions from requiring a COVID 19 vaccination or face mask for enrollment or attendance.

**HRA Recommendation:** No recommendation

**HB1241**, prohibiting a school district from mandating a COVID-19 vaccination for school attendance. **Maj. OTP Vote: 10-8**

**HRA Analysis:** This bill prohibits higher education institutions from requiring a COVID 19 vaccination or face mask for enrollment or attendance. Constitution; Part First, Article 1 - Equality of men, origin, and object of government, Part First, Article 4 - Rights of Conscience unalienable.

**HRA Recommendation:** Support OTP

**HB1261**, prohibiting the use of Native American mascots in public schools, colleges, and universities. **Maj. ITL Vote: 10-9**

**HRA Analysis:** Prohibits a public school from using a Native American mascot - Freedom of Speech

**HRA Recommendation:** Support ITL

**HB1283**, relative to liability as taxable income of education freedom account payments. **Maj. ITL Vote: 10-9**

**HRA Analysis:** This bill repeals the statement that education freedom account funds shall not constitute taxable income to the parent of the EFA student. Platform: Excellence in Education, encourage EFA to allow all parents to choose the best public, private, charter or home school program for their children

**HRA Recommendation:** Support ITL

**HB1298**, relative to eligibility for the education tax credit. **Maj. OTP Vote: 10-9**

**HRA Analysis:** This bill increases the household income level to qualify as an eligible student under the education tax credit program -Platform: expand education tax credits

**HRA Recommendation:** Support OTP

**HB1332**, excepting public universities and colleges from requirements under medical freedom in immunizations. **Maj. ITL Vote: 10-8**

**HRA Analysis:** This bill exempts the university system and the community college system from the statute pertaining to medical freedom in immunizations. Constitution Part First, Article 4 - Rights of Conscience unalienable. Platform: Support the moral and ethical right to informed consent with regard to all medical treatment.

**HRA Recommendation:** Support ITL

**HB1355**, requiring the scholarship organization to refer suspected cases of misuse of funds or fraud in the education freedom account program to the attorney general. **Maj. ITL Vote: 10-9**

**HRA Analysis:** This bill requires a scholarship organization to refer suspected misuse of EFA funds to the attorney general for investigation. EFA funds are monitored very closely and this consequence is not proportional. Part First, Article 18 - penalties to be proportional to offenses, true design of punishment.

**HRA Recommendation:** Support ITL

**HB1367**, relative to civics instruction in schools. **Maj. OTP/A Vote: 10-9**

**HRA Analysis:** This measure makes accommodations for children with IEP's

**HRA Recommendation:** Support OTP/A

**HB1376**, relative to participation in the education freedom accounts program by students with disabilities. **Maj. ITL Vote: 10-8**

**HRA Analysis:** This bill clarifies the responsibility of a scholarship organization under the EFA for explaining rights for IEP students. This is a duplicitous bill. Children participating in EFA accounts are still covered by IDEA USC Section 1412a using an individual service plan. Adopted rules already enforce disclosure of changes and rights for these students under IDEA. Platform: expand education savings accounts, Promote parental rights to control the education of their children.

**HRA Recommendation:** Support ITL

**HB1381**, relative to student school board members. **OTP Vote: 14-5**

**HRA Analysis:** this bill allows for at least one student member on the board from each public high school in the district. However, the student member is not elected and can not vote. Platform: Education Excellence.

**HRA Recommendation:** No Recommendation

**HB1434**, relative to the availability of school curriculum materials. **Maj. OTP/A Vote: 10-9**

**HRA Analysis:** Relative to the availability of school curriculum materials Platform: expand openness and transparency to employment, expenditures and all recipients of taxpayer funds.

**HRA Recommendation:** Support OTP/A

**HB1564**, requiring school districts to provide breakfast for students. **Maj. ITL Vote: 14-4**

**HRA Analysis:** This bill requires school districts to provide breakfast to students through the National School Breakfast Program or a program of its own. According to the DOE 30 schools are not currently offering a breakfast program. Program would need to expand in order to fund this mandate causing an increase in costs, indeterminable to districts. Article 28 A violation, unfunded mandate.

**HRA Recommendation:** Support ITL

**HB1576**, repealing the law relative to certain discrimination in public workplaces and education. **Maj. ITL Vote: 10-9**

**HRA Analysis:** This bill repeals provisions of the law relating to the right to freedom from discrimination in public workplaces and education and the prohibition on teaching discrimination. Part First, Article 1 - Equality of men, origin and object of government.

**HRA Recommendation:** Support ITL

**HB1607**, prohibiting unlawful discrimination in public and nonpublic schools. **Maj. ITL Vote: 10-9**

**HRA Analysis:** This bill requires the State BOE to ensure there is now unlawful discrimination in any approved school tuition program, public or non-public school or educational service that receives public funds. This measure would change the reporting structure of the measure passed in HB 2 allowing the Human Rights Commission to process complaints. Would cause confusion according to a rep from Human Rights Council of NH testimony.

**HRA Recommendation:** Support ITL

**HB1632**, relative to civil rights education in public elementary and secondary schools. **Maj. Int. study Vote: 10-9**

**HRA Analysis:** This bill adds instructional requirements for civil right and acts of discriminatory injustice to the course of instruction in schools concerning national and state history and government. This subject needs study. We will take this up.

**HRA Recommendation:** Support IS

**HB1638**, relative to grievances under the right to freedom from discrimination in public workplaces and education. **Maj. ITL Vote: 10-9**

**HRA Analysis:** This bill modifies the procedure for grievances for certain violations of discrimination in the workplace or education. Changes the discrimination grievance procedure, but not necessary, rules are already in place through HB 2. The fox should not watch the hen house.

**HRA Recommendation:** Support ITL

**HB1639**, relative to the youth risk behavior survey in schools. **Maj. OTP/A Vote: 10-9**

**HRA Analysis:** This bill requires a school board to annually approve the youth risk behavior survey developed by the CDC. [Art.] 2-b. [Right of Privacy.] An individual's right to live free from governmental intrusion in private or personal information is natural, essential, and inherent.

**HRA Recommendation:** Support OTP/A

**HB1669**, requiring the department of education to administer the education freedom account program. **Maj. ITL Vote: 10-9**

**HRA Analysis:** This bill changes the administration for the EFA program to the DOE. This program is already set up using a Children's Scholarship Organization. The Dept states this would involve the establishment of a bureau (and staff) to administer the program and therefore indeterminable costs. Not necessary. Prioritize programs to ensure effective spending.

**HRA Recommendation:** Support ITL

**HB1670**, relative to funds of the education freedom account program after termination of a student's participation and responsibilities of the scholarship organization. **Maj. ITL Vote: 10-9**

**HRA Analysis:** This bill requires that upon enrolling in a public school an education freedom account program and students participation and funding are terminated & requires audits by the scholarship organization and investigation of misuses of funds. Not necessary. This is already a process covered in the rules and by the scholarship organization. Prioritize programs to ensure effective spending.

**HRA Recommendation:** Support ITL

**HB1672**, relative to misuse of education freedom account funds. **Maj. ITL Vote: 10-9**

**HRA Analysis:** This bill requires the transfer of funds from terminated education freedom accounts to the education trust fund, investigation of and ineligibility for misuse of funds and requires the department of ed to adopt rules on policies and procedures for administration of the program. This is already being done by the organization and in the NH RULES - Platform: prioritize programs to ensure effective spending.

**HRA Recommendation:** Support ITL

**HB1683**, repealing the education freedom account program. **Maj. ITL Vote: 10-9**

**HRA Analysis:** Repeals the Education Freedom Account Program. Promote education freedom and parental rights to control the education of their children. Expand education tax credits and EFA.

**HRA Recommendation:** Support ITL

## **Election Law**

**CACR15**, relating to elections. Providing that the age to vote in the primary election be reduced to 17 for those who will be 18 by the general election. **Maj. OTP/A Vote: 11-9**

**HRA Analysis:** This CACR provides that voters in the state of New Hampshire must be citizens of the United States, citizens of New Hampshire, domiciled in the state, and also have their primary residence in the state. This is to ensure voting is done by New Hampshire resident citizens only; to prevent voter fraud.

**HRA Recommendation:** No recommendation

**CACR19**, relating to paper ballots. Providing that all elections shall be conducted through paper ballots. **Maj. OTP Vote: 11-9**

**HRA Analysis:** This CACR provides that all elections shall be conducted using paper ballots. This is to ensure that there is a record of all votes, and provided a trusted means for an accurate recount if needed.

**HRA Recommendation:** No recommendation

**HB1009**, requiring the date a person registers to vote to be included with other voter information. **Maj. OTP Vote: 11-9**

**HRA Analysis:** This bill requires the date of voter registration to be included with the other voter information required for the voter checklist. This adds to transparency which is important when it comes to ensuring the integrity of our elections and voter checklist. No constitutional or platform issues identified.

**HRA Recommendation:** No recommendation

**HB1082**, prohibiting certain state officers from forming political action committees. **Maj. OTP Vote: 11-9**

**HRA Analysis:** This bill prohibits the Secretary of State, state treasurer, or other individual running for those offices from forming a political action committee (PAC) This is to preserve the integrity and non-partisan nature of those offices. Without this legislation there can be a direct conflict of interest between the candidates for these offices and the legislature that elects them.

**HRA Recommendation:** Support OTP

**HB1153**, relative to absentee ballot requests. **Maj. OTP Vote: 11-9**

**HRA Analysis:** This legislation clarifies that absentee ballots may not be mailed to absentee voters before an absentee ballot application has been received and approved. This will enhance voter integrity by preventing official absentee ballots from going to unregistered voters that may not have the right to vote in New Hampshire. Platform: "That we the are strongest when we stand together, that it is our responsibility to hold government accountable and that it is through the integrity of the ballot box that we do so."

**HRA Recommendation:** Support OTP

**HB1203**, relative to domicile residency, voter registration, and investigation of voter verification letters, and relative to the terms "resident," "inhabitant," "residence," and "residency." **Maj. OTP/A Vote: 11-9**

**HRA Analysis:** This bill modifies the definition of domicile for voting purposes & amends definitions of resident or inhabitant or residence to include intent to maintain a principal place of physical presence for the indefinite future. Intent assures every voter is illegally qualified to vote. Part First Art. 11 "Every person shall be considered an inhabitant for the purposes of voting."

**HRA Recommendation:** Support OTP/A

**HB1247**, relative to folded ballots. **Maj. ITL Vote: 13-7**

**HRA Analysis:** The Windham audit found that some folded ballots were not read properly by ballot counting machines due to a shadow created by the fold, rendering the scanner unable to accurately score the results. There is reason to believe this can happen in other circumstances. This bill would add an additional measure of security by requiring all folded ballots to be hand-counted after the close of the polls. Platform: "That we the people are strongest when we stand together, that it is our responsibility to hold government accountable and that it is through the integrity of the ballot box that we do so."

**HRA Recommendation:** Oppose ITL

**HB1264**, establishing ranked-choice voting for state party primary elections and municipal elections. **without recommendation Vote: 10-10**

**HRA Analysis:** RCV increases the complexity of counting votes delaying results. These delays could push it to a violation of part 2 article 32 regarding the return of votes.

**HRA Recommendation:** Support ITL

**HB1326**, relative to permissible campaign contributions by business organizations and labor unions. **Maj. ITL Vote: 11-9**

**HRA Analysis:** This bill puts unnecessary burdens on business entities to establish segregated funds in order to contribute to candidates of their choice. Constitution: Free speech violation

**HRA Recommendation:** Support ITL

**HB1394**, relative to the reporting of certain campaign contributions and relative to political contributions made by limited liability companies. **Maj. ITL Vote: 11-9**

**HRA Analysis:** This bill proposes new requirements for reporting that suppresses free speech and currently impossible measure with current database mainlined by the state for LLCs. Constitution: Free Speech violation.

**HRA Recommendation:** Support ITL

**HB1442**, relative to access to election and voter information. **Maj. ITL Vote: 11-9**

**HRA Analysis:** Bill requires election and voter info be made available in multiple languages. No platform or Constitution issues identified.

**HRA Recommendation:** No recommendation

**HB1567**, relative to the removal of election officials from office. **Maj. OTP/A Vote: 12-8**

**HRA Analysis:** As amended changes the removal clause and instead proposes fines for election officials that knowingly fail to perform. Platform: Election integrity.

**HRA Recommendation:** Support OTP/A

## **Environment and Agriculture**

**HB1454**, relative to permits for the siting of new landfills. **Maj. OTP/A Vote: 10-9**

**HRA Analysis:** Cutting short a current study committee is a waste of resources. Platform: Prioritize programs to ensure effective spending.

**HRA Recommendation:** Oppose OTP/A

## Executive Departments and Administration

**HB1065**, relative to the regulation of art therapists. **Maj. ITL Vote: 10-8**

**HRA Analysis:** There should be no licensing of occupations unless it can be proven that the action is required to protect the public. The bar for that proof should be high. Constitution: [Art.] 3. [Society, its Organization and Purposes.]

**HRA Recommendation:** Support ITL

**HB1135**, requiring a performance audit of the department of education, education freedom account program. **Maj. OTP/A Vote: 10-9**

**HRA Analysis:** No platform or constitutional issues identified.

**HRA Recommendation:** No recommendation

**HB1171**, exempting certain niche beauty services from licensure requirements. **Maj. OTP/A Vote: 11-8**

**HRA Analysis:** There should be no licensing of occupations unless it can be proven that the action is required to protect the public. The bar for that proof should be high. Constitution: [Art.] 3. [Society, its Organization and Purposes.]

**HRA Recommendation:** Support OTP/A

**HB1173**, proclaiming August 9 as Indigenous People's Day. **Maj. ITL Vote: 14-5**

**HRA Analysis:** No platform or constitutional issues identified.

**HRA Recommendation:** No recommendation

**HB1330**, relative to the board of registration of medical technicians. **Maj. OTP/A Vote: 10-9**

**HRA Analysis:** There should be no licensing of occupations unless it can be proven that the action is required to protect the public. The bar for that proof should be high. Constitution: [Art.] 3. [Society, its Organization and Purposes.]

**HRA Recommendation:** Support OTP/A

**HB1357**, relative to land acknowledgment. **ITL Vote: 10-8**

**HRA Analysis:** No platform or constitutional issues identified.

**HRA Recommendation:** No recommendation

**HB1510**, establishing a committee to study the hiring processes used by state agencies. **ITL Vote: 11-8**

**HRA Analysis:** No platform or constitutional issues identified.

**HRA Recommendation:** No recommendation

**HB1560**, relative to nonresident licensure by the board of barbering, cosmetology, and esthetics. **OTP Vote: 12-7**

**HRA Analysis:** There should be no licensing of occupations unless it can be proven that the action is required to protect the public. The bar for that proof should be high. Constitution: [Art.] 3. [Society, its Organization and Purposes.]

**HRA Recommendation:** Support OTP

## Finance

**HB103**, establishing a dental benefit under the state Medicaid program. **Maj. OTP/A Vote: 14-5**

**HRA Analysis:** Platform: Support the repeal of Obamacare and oppose its implementation in New Hampshire.

**HRA Recommendation:** Support amendment 2022-0904h; Oppose OTP/A

**HB1677**, relative to the administration and settlement of claims of abuse at the youth development center and making an appropriation therefor. **OTP/A Vote: 19-1**

**HRA Analysis:** No platform or constitutional issues identified.

**HRA Recommendation:** No recommendation

## Fish and Game and Marine Resources

**HB1091**, relative to search warrants for individuals engaged in fish and game activities. **Maj. Int. study Vote: 11-9**

**HRA Analysis:** F&G officers having the right to search without a warrant . Violates Constitution Article 4- Protect against warrantless search and seizure

**HRA Recommendation:** Support IS

**HB1297**, relative to taking lobster while engaged in recreational scuba diving. **Maj. OTP/A Vote: 11-8**

**HRA Analysis:** Allows for equal access to lobsters via scuba diving and allows F&G to set limits to maintain the ecosystem. Platform: provide public access to all public lands and great ponds

**HRA Recommendation:** Support OTP/A

**HB1356**, relative to the taking of gray squirrels. **Maj. OTP/A Vote: 12-7**

**HRA Analysis:** No platform or constitutional issues identified.

**HRA Recommendation:** No recommendation

## **Health, Human Services and Elderly Affairs**

**HB1022**, permitting pharmacists to dispense the drug ivermectin by means of a standing order. **Maj. OTP/A Vote: 11-9**

**HRA Analysis:** Platform: We believe in free people, free markets and free enterprise; Support the moral and ethical right of informed consent with regard to all medical treatment and intervention.

**HRA Recommendation:** Support OTP/A

**HB1044**, relative to policies required for health facilities and special health care service licenses. **Maj. ITL Vote: 14-7**

**HRA Analysis:** Platform: Allow free market driven health care plans and “ala carte” insurance plans free from government mandates.

**HRA Recommendation:** Oppose ITL

**HB1077**, repealing the prohibition on conversion therapy for minors. **Maj. OTP/A Vote: 13-7**

**HRA Analysis:** Platform: Support the moral and ethical right of informed consent with regard to all medical treatment and intervention.

**HRA Recommendation:** Oppose OTP/A

**HB1080**, relative to the rights of conscience for medical professionals. **Maj. OTP Vote: 11-10**

**HRA Analysis:** Constitution: [Art.] 4. [Rights of Conscience Unalienable.] Among the natural rights, some are, in their very nature unalienable, because no equivalent can be given or received for them. Of this kind are the Rights of Conscience.

**HRA Recommendation:** Support OTP

**HB1180**, relative to state recognition of biological sex. **Maj. OTP/A Vote: 11-10**

**HRA Analysis:** NO to the amendment. YES to the bill. right of individual Art.] 6. [Morality and Piety.] And every person, denomination or sect shall be equally under the protection of the law; and no subordination of any one sect, denomination or persuasion to another shall ever be established.

**HRA Recommendation:** Oppose amendment - Support OTP

**HB1347**, relative to licensing requirements for health care facilities that operate on a membership-based business model. **Maj. OTP/A Vote: 12-9**

**HRA Analysis:** Platform: Increase the use of market forces to improve health care and lower costs.

**HRA Recommendation:** Support Table

**HB1369**, relative to COVID-19 health and safety policies at New Hampshire performing arts venues. **Maj. OTP/A Vote: 11-9**

**HRA Analysis:** Platform: Justify expenditures against measurable benefits.

**HRA Recommendation:** Oppose OTP/A

**HB1379**, relative to the department of health and human services' rulemaking authority regarding immunization requirements. **OTP/A Vote: 12-9**

**HRA Analysis:** Constitution: Art. 12, Nor are the inhabitants of this state controllable by any other laws than those to which they, or their representative body, have given their consent.

**HRA Recommendation:** Support OTP/A amendment #2022-0844h

**HB1409**, relative to the age at which a minor may receive mental health treatment without parental consent. **Maj. OTP/A Vote: 11-10**

**HRA Analysis:** Platform: We believe that traditional families are the foundation of strong communities.

**HRA Recommendation:** Oppose OTP/A

**HB1439**, relative to hospital visitation policies. **Maj. OTP/A Vote: 11-10**

**HRA Analysis:** No constitutional or platform issues identified.

**HRA Recommendation:** No recommendation

**HB1455**, relative to state enforcement of federal vaccination mandates. **Maj. OTP Vote: 11-10**

**HRA Analysis:** US Constitution: 10th amendment; Platform: Oppose all laws, programs, and mandates from local, national, and international organizations and governments contrary to our principles.

**HRA Recommendation:** Support OTP

**HB1481**, repealing the statute relative to medical freedom in immunizations. **Maj. ITL Vote: 12-9**

**HRA Analysis:** Constitution: [Art.] 4. [Rights of Conscience Unalienable.] Among the natural rights, some are, in their very nature unalienable, because no equivalent can be given or received for them. Of this kind are the Rights of Conscience.

**HRA Recommendation:** Support ITL

**HB1495**, relative to vaccine mandates for government contractors. **Maj. OTP/A Vote: 11-10**

**HRA Analysis:** Constitution: [Art.] 4. [Rights of Conscience Unalienable.] Among the natural rights, some are, in their very nature unalienable, because no equivalent can be given or received for them. Of this kind are the Rights of Conscience.

**HRA Recommendation:** Support OTP/A

## **Judiciary**

**CACR18**, relating to reproductive medical decisions. Providing that the state shall not infringe or unduly inconvenience the right of reproductive medical decisions. **Maj. ITL Vote: 11-8**

**HRA Analysis:** Platform: Support the pre-born child's fundamental right to life and personhood under the Fourteenth Amendment, and implement all Constitutional and legal protections.

**HRA Recommendation:** Support ITL

**HB1014**, allowing public meetings to be conducted virtually. **Maj. ITL Vote: 11-10**

**HRA Analysis:** The requirement that each part of the meeting be open to the public be accessible to the public is removed. Constitution: Part I Article 8

**HRA Recommendation:** Support ITL

**HB1073**, repealing the right-to-know exemption for attorney-client work product. **Maj. OTP/A Vote: 14-5**

**HRA Analysis:** This establishes a balance between the Attorney-client privilege and the Right to Know. Constitution: Part I Article 8

**HRA Recommendation:** Support OTP/A

**HB1101**, relative to a forfeiture of personal property. **Maj. OTP Vote: 17-4**

**HRA Analysis:** Constitution: Article 15, No subject shall be arrested, imprisoned, despoiled, or deprived of his property, immunities, or privileges, put out of the protection of the law, exiled or deprived of his life, liberty, or estate, but by the judgment of his peers, or the law of the land

**HRA Recommendation:** Support OTP

**HB1107**, establishing a committee to study the rental or lease of housing to a person who has pets. **ITL Vote: 11-10**

**HRA Analysis:** Platform: Justify expenditures against measurable benefits.

**HRA Recommendation:** Support ITL

**HB1133**, prohibiting the termination of a lease during the sale of real property. **ITL Vote: 11-10**

**HRA Analysis:** Unnecessary law for current practice. Platform: Justify expenditures against measurable benefits.

**HRA Recommendation:** Support ITL

**HB1200**, relative to notice of rent increases in residential rental property. **Maj. ITL Vote: 11-10**

**HRA Analysis:** Step one in rent control. Constitution: enjoyment of property.

**HRA Recommendation:** Support ITL

**HB1291**, prohibiting discrimination against tenants holding certain vouchers for purposes of renting dwellings. **Maj. ITL Vote: 11-10**

**HRA Analysis:** This would force a landlord to accept a third party to a contract violating her right to contract.

**HRA Recommendation:** Support ITL

**HB1389**, establishing a superior court land use review docket. **Int. study Vote: 20-1**

**HRA Analysis:** No constitutional or platform issues identified.

**HRA Recommendation:** No recommendation

**HB1425**, relative to the taking of real property by eminent domain. **OTP Vote: 11-10**

**HRA Analysis:** This bill affirms ones property rights without regard to an emergency.

**HRA Recommendation:** Support OTP

**HB1477**, prohibiting abortions after detection of fetal heartbeat. **Maj. ITL Vote: 11-10**

**HRA Analysis:** Platform: Support the pre-born child's fundamental right to life and personhood under the Fourteenth Amendment, and implement all Constitutional and legal protections.

**HRA Recommendation:** Oppose ITL

**HB1490**, relative to equal access to places of public accommodation regardless of vaccination status. **Maj. OTP Vote: 11-10**

**HRA Analysis:** This bill protects a person's right to conscience and prevents discrimination.

**HRA Recommendation:** Support OTP

**HB1519**, defining "religious belief" and protecting it from discrimination. **ITL Vote: 17-4**

**HRA Analysis:** No constitutional or platform issues identified.

**HRA Recommendation:** No recommendation

**HB1625**, repealing the prohibition on entering or remaining on a public way or sidewalk adjacent to a reproductive health care facility. **Maj. ITL Vote: 12-9**

**HRA Analysis:** This bill would repeal an unconstitutional statute which restricts free speech..

**HRA Recommendation:** Oppose ITL

**HB1673**, relative to women's health privacy and repealing the fetal health protection act. **Maj. OTP/A Vote: 11-10**

**HRA Analysis:** Platform: Support the pre-born child's fundamental right to life and personhood under the Fourteenth Amendment, and implement all Constitutional and legal protections.

**HRA Recommendation:** Oppose Committee amendment. Support Minority amendment. Support OTP/A only with minority amendment [0688h].

**HB1674**, relative to reproductive rights. **Maj. ITL Vote: 11-8**

**HRA Analysis:** Platform: Support the pre-born child's fundamental right to life and personhood under the Fourteenth Amendment, and implement all Constitutional and legal protections.

**HRA Recommendation:** Support ITL

## **Labor, Industrial and Rehabilitative Services**

**HB1053**, relative to the hourly rate paid to an employee for hours worked but not previously scheduled. **Maj. ITL Vote: 18-3**

**HRA Analysis:** Platform: Minimize burdensome regulations and paperwork on businesses.

**HRA Recommendation:** Support ITL

**HB1076**, relative to illegal productivity quotas. **Maj. OTP/A Vote: 11-9**

**HRA Analysis:** This bill would require new, extensive regulations and additional paperwork by mandating productivity quotas for select businesses. Platform: Minimize burdensome regulations and paperwork on businesses.

**HRA Recommendation:** Oppose OTP/A

**HB1088**, relative to employee protections from COVID-19 in the workplace. **Maj. ITL Vote: 11-9**

**HRA Analysis:** No constitutional or platform issues identified.

**HRA Recommendation:** No recommendation

**HB1089**, relative to the unenforceability of noncompete agreements upon termination of an employee for noncompliance with a vaccination mandate. **Maj. OTP/A Vote: 13-8**

**HRA Analysis:** No constitutional or platform issues identified.

**HRA Recommendation:** No recommendation

**HB1094**, relative to employee work schedules and rest periods. **Maj. ITL Vote: 18-3**

**HRA Analysis:** This legislation would require new and extensive regulatory burdens for businesses by requiring that every employee be given a pre-planned work schedule in writing. Many businesses see this as unworkable, and for businesses that are weather-dependent, this would be impossible. Platform: Minimize burdensome regulations and paperwork on businesses.

**HRA Recommendation:** Support ITL

**HB1165**, repealing the Granite State paid family leave plan. **Maj. OTP Vote: 11-10**

**HRA Analysis:** This bill would eliminate the recently passed, but not yet implemented, paid family leave scheme. As written, taxpayers would be pay for all of the nearly 11,000 state workers' FMLI insurance premiums. Since private insurance is already available for purchase, and more insurance companies are looking to provide FMLI to businesses in NH, there is no need for taxpayer-funded FMLI. Platform: Privatize programs and functions that can be handled more effectively by the private sector.

**HRA Recommendation:** Support OTP

**HB1210**, relative to exemptions from vaccine mandates. **Maj. OTP/A Vote: 11-10**

**HRA Analysis:** This legislation would require public or publicly funded private businesses and post-secondary education institutions mandating vaccines and inoculations to allow employees to request an exemption based on religious, medical or rights of conscience. Employees would be granted such exemption requests and the employer would then have the option to pursue reasonable accommodations. Platform: Support the moral and ethical right of informed consent with regard to all medical treatment and intervention.

**HRA Recommendation:** Support OTP/A

**HB1251**, prohibiting payment of subminimum wages. **Maj. ITL Vote: 11-10**

**HRA Analysis:** This bill would alter existing law as to how most tipped employees would be compensated. Platform: Support the concept of "merit pay".

**HRA Recommendation:** Support ITL

**HB1337**, relative to the duration of unemployment benefits. **Maj. OTP/A Vote: 11-10**

**HRA Analysis:** This legislation would tie the length of time one could claim unemployment benefits to the most recently benchmarked unemployment rate. The net effect would have businesses paying lower unemployment insurance tax rates while ensuring the unemployed return to work as soon as possible. Platform: Reduces taxes

**HRA Recommendation:** Support OTP/A

**HB1472**, prohibiting anti-union activities by employers. **ITL Vote: 11-10**

**HRA Analysis:** No constitutional or platform issues identified.

**HRA Recommendation:** No recommendation

**HB1508**, prohibiting discharge of volunteer firefighters or volunteer emergency medical technicians from other employment. **Maj. ITL Vote: 12-8**

**HRA Analysis:** This bill would place new, unnecessary burdens and paperwork requirements on businesses who employ volunteer first responders. Platform: Minimize burdensome regulations and paperwork on businesses.

**HRA Recommendation:** Support ITL

**HB1514**, relative to an employee's unused earned time. **Maj. ITL Vote: 11-10**

**HRA Analysis:** If implemented, this bill would redefine some forms of compensation and benefits as wages while adding expanded paperwork requirements. The many proposed changes would or could interfere or conflict with other labor laws. Platform: Minimize burdensome regulations and paperwork on businesses.

**HRA Recommendation:** Support ITL

## Legislative Administration

**CACR23**, the New Hampshire constitution. Providing that all references to persons in the New Hampshire constitution be gender-neutral. **Maj. ITL Vote: 9-6**

**HRA Analysis:** Platform: Justify expenditures against measurable benefits.

**HRA Recommendation:** Support ITL

**HB1007**, relative to qualifications for office. **ITL Vote: 9-6**

**HRA Analysis:** Platform: Support the concept of a people's veto.

**HRA Recommendation:** Support ITL

**HB1033**, prohibiting recipients of state or local grants or appropriations from using such funds for lobbying. **OTP/A Vote: 9-4**

**HRA Analysis:** Platform: Expand openness and transparency to employment, expenditures and all recipients of taxpayers' funds.

**HRA Recommendation:** Support OTP/A

**HB1041**, extending the public employees labor relations act to employees of the general court and relative to the duties of the joint committee on legislative facilities. **ITL Vote: 9-6**

**HRA Analysis:** Platform: Uphold the right to join or avoid labor unions without coercion or intimidation; support "right to work" legislation.

**HRA Recommendation:** Support ITL

**HB1084**, relative to disclosure of the sources of legislative bill proposals. **ITL Vote: 9-6**

**HRA Analysis:** This is the 2nd/3rd attempt to identify the source so that bills can be dismissed, not on the content (of character) but by the name of the organization creating the model legislation. No constitutional or platform issues identified.

**HRA Recommendation:** No recommendation

**HB1102**, relative to certain committees and commissions of the department of state. **OTP/A Vote: 9-6**

**HRA Analysis:** An LBA audit indicated in the Boxing Commission needed a sep statute to operate as designed. No constitutional or platform issues identified.

**HRA Recommendation:** No recommendation

**HB1129**, relative to the fiscal committee of the general court. **ITL Vote: 9-6**

**HRA Analysis:** Bill asks to change how members of fiscal committee are selected. The legislation prefers party vs. qualifications. 36 years the speaker and finance chair have selected members with no issues. No constitutional or platform issues identified.

**HRA Recommendation:** No recommendation

**HB1170**, limiting the authority of New Hampshire delegates to policymaking conventions. **OTP/A Vote: 9-8**

**HRA Analysis:** This bill increases the specifics for process of selection of delegates when/if we have sufficient states sign on to a federal balanced budget amendment requiring a constitutional convention. No constitutional or platform issues identified.

**HRA Recommendation:** No recommendation

**HB1309**, establishing a committee to study revising house rules to assure that all sections of the budget trailer bill receive an adequate public hearing. **ITL Vote: 10-7**

**HRA Analysis:** Bill asks that House rules ensure all amendments to HB 2 have a public hearing. Testimony supports that those added by House DO have a hearing, but vast majority of HB2 amendments are added by Senate and this bill would not address.

**HRA Recommendation:** Support ITL

**HB1370**, establishing a committee to study childcare options for New Hampshire state legislators. **Maj. ITL Vote: 9-8**

**HRA Analysis:** Bill asks for study of legislature providing childcare for legislators. Committee felt childcare is a factor that families must discuss within their own situation before deciding to serve. Platform: Maintain the fundamental role and responsibility of both parents in the care of their children. Prioritize programs to ensure effective spending.

**HRA Recommendation:** Support ITL

## Municipal and County Government

**HB1046**, relative to the election of the Sullivan county commissioners. **Maj. ITL Vote: 10-9**

**HRA Analysis:** No constitutional or platform issues identified.

**HRA Recommendation:** No recommendation

**HB1070**, relative to the default budget in official ballot jurisdictions. **Maj. OTP Vote: 10-9**

**HRA Analysis:** This bill requires that any reduction by the governing body to the proposed operating budget be similarly reduced in the default budget in an official ballot town or district. Platform: We believe that low taxes are the result of low spending; that government has a moral obligation to the people to be as cost effective as possible, to always limit spending and growth of government, and to cut spending and cost of government at every possible turn.

**HRA Recommendation:** Support OTP

**HB1081**, relative to the dissolution of a village district. **Maj. OTP Vote: 10-9**

**HRA Analysis:** This bill changes the number of votes required to dissolve a village district from a 2/3 majority to a simple majority making the vote threshold the same to both establish or dissolve a village district. Platform: Supports the concept of a people's veto as it pertains to government structure.

**HRA Recommendation:** Support OTP

**HB1087**, relative to zoning for single family housing lots. **Maj. ITL Vote: 11-8**

**HRA Analysis:** Platform: Oppose all laws, programs, and mandates from local, national, and international organizations and governments contrary to our principles: including, but not limited to, educational standards, United Nations programs, international treaties, sustainable development initiatives, wealth redistribution plans, and punitive environmental controls.

**HRA Recommendation:** Support ITL

**HB1112**, relative to competitive bidding in counties. **Maj. ITL Vote: 10-9**

**HRA Analysis:** No constitutional or platform issues identified.

**HRA Recommendation:** No recommendation

**HB1119**, relative to the regulation of single-use bags. **Maj. ITL Vote: 10-9**

**HRA Analysis:** This bill is enabling legislation that allows municipalities to regulate single-use paper and plastic bags at the point of sale for transport of goods purchased. Platform: Minimize business regulations, permits, licenses and paperwork.

**HRA Recommendation:** Support ITL

**HB1172**, requiring composting and waste recycling to be made available to residents of public housing. **Maj. Int. study Vote: 11-8**

**HRA Analysis:** This bill mandates towns to provide that residents of public housing have access to on-site composting and waste recycling. Constitution: Article 28-a

**HRA Recommendation:** Support IS or ITL

**HB1177**, relative to permissible residential units in a residential zone. **Maj. OTP Vote: 10-8**

**HRA Analysis:** Platform: Oppose all laws, programs, and mandates from local, national, and international organizations and governments contrary to our principles: including, but not limited to, educational standards, United Nations programs, international treaties, sustainable development initiatives, wealth redistribution plans, and punitive environmental controls.

**HRA Recommendation:** Oppose OTP

**HB1184**, authorizing the establishment of revolving funds. **Maj. ITL Vote: 17-2**

**HRA Analysis:** No constitutional or platform issues identified.

**HRA Recommendation:** No recommendation

**HB1194**, relative to the procedure for overriding a local tax cap. **Maj. OTP Vote: 10-9**

**HRA Analysis:** This bill amends the method of overriding a local tax cap to require a 3/5 super majority vote instead of a simple majority to approve any appropriation that would exceed the tax cap thereby strengthening the effectiveness of a tax cap. Platform: Low taxes are the result of low spending; Require super-majorities to raise taxes above tax cap.

**HRA Recommendation:** Support OTP

**HB1219**, relative to parking requirements for religious institution-affiliated housing development projects. **Maj. ITL Vote: 10-9**

**HRA Analysis:** This bill prohibits local planning boards from adopting certain parking requirements for religious institution affiliated housing development projects in order to disallow such housing from being constructed on areas of underutilized parking lots. Platform: Oppose sustainable development initiatives.

**HRA Recommendation:** Support ITL

**HB1223**, relative to meeting attendance requirements for elected members of budget committee and school board. **Maj. Int. study Vote: 10-8**

**HRA Analysis:** No constitutional or platform issues identified.

**HRA Recommendation:** No recommendation

**HB1268**, limiting the authority for city council bylaws and ordinances. **Maj. OTP/A Vote: 10-9**

**HRA Analysis:** This bill restricts the authority of city councils to make bylaws and ordinances limiting such power to those subject areas allowed by the legislature thereby rightly limiting the overreach of elected officials. Protects constitutional rights of citizens.

**HRA Recommendation:** Support OTP/A

**HB1289**, relative to applications for abatements and authority to abate prior years' taxes for certain homeowners. **Maj. Int. study Vote: 13-3**

**HRA Analysis:** No constitutional or platform issues identified.

**HRA Recommendation:** No recommendation

**HB1307**, modifying the authority and duties of the housing appeals board. **Maj. OTP Vote: 13-3**

**HRA Analysis:** Platform: Oppose all laws, programs, and mandates from local, national, and international organizations and governments contrary to our principles: including, but not limited to, educational standards, United Nations programs, international treaties, sustainable development initiatives, wealth redistribution plans, and punitive environmental controls.

**HRA Recommendation:** Support OTP

**HB1342**, relative to municipal charter provisions for tax caps. **Maj. OTP Vote: 12-7**

**HRA Analysis:** This bill seeks to reverse the provisions of 2021 SB 52, which was signed into law last year; and most importantly, it threatens the validity of all existing tax and spending caps enacted and grandfathered before July 5, 2011 by the new law. Platform: Low taxes are the result of low spending; Local control of taxes and spending; Require super-majorities to raise taxes above tax cap.

**HRA Recommendation:** Oppose OTP

**HB1393**, relative to the adoption of school district budget caps. **Maj. OTP Vote: 10-9**

**HRA Analysis:** This bill is enabling legislation that allows the legislative body of a school district to adopt a budget cap based

on the average daily membership of students and an annual inflation factor. A 3/5 supermajority is required to both adopt as well as to override the budget cap, allowing for spending to exceed the budget cap when needed. Platform: Require super-majorities to raise taxes.

**HRA Recommendation:** Support OTP

**HB1667**, relative to the standard and optional veterans' tax credits and the all veterans' tax credit. **Maj. OTP Vote: 10-8**

**HRA Analysis:** No constitutional or platform issues identified.

**HRA Recommendation:** No recommendation

## **Public Works and Highways**

**HB1432**, prohibiting the use of state funds for new passenger rail projects. **without recommendation Vote:**

**HRA Analysis:** A state support rail will absolutely lead to a new tax. This bill does not prohibit the railway from being built, but prohibits the state from funding a money pit. Platform: Prioritize programs to ensure effective spending.

**HRA Recommendation:** Support OTP

**HB2022**, relative to the 10-year transportation plan. **Maj. OTP/A Vote: 21-2**

**HRA Analysis:** The minority amendment prevents downshifting costs.

**HRA Recommendation:** Support amendment 2022-0859h; Support OTP/A

## Resources, Recreation and Development

**HB1071**, relative to wake surfing. **Maj. ITL Vote: 11-10**

**HRA Analysis:** Platform: Justify expenditures against measurable benefits.

**HRA Recommendation:** Support ITL

**HB1227**, relative to the definition of prime wetland. **Vote: 11-10**

**HRA Analysis:** This perennial debate has wasted many resources. Platform: Justify expenditures against measurable benefits.

**HRA Recommendation:** Support ITL

**HB1317**, requiring the director of the state police in consultation with the bureau of marine patrol to report annually to the legislature regarding new developments in electric and gasoline powered recreational watercraft. **Maj. ITL Vote: 14-7**

**HRA Analysis:** Platform: Justify expenditures against measurable benefits.

**HRA Recommendation:** Support ITL

## Science, Technology and Energy

**HB1116**, relative to renewable energy customer-generators accounts and credits. **Maj. ITL Vote: 13-8**

**HRA Analysis:** Platform: Remove barriers to business formation and encourage small businesses.

**HRA Recommendation:** Support ITL

**HB1148**, relative to prohibiting government entities subordinate to the state from restricting the types of fuel sources that may be used for energy. **Maj. OTP Vote: 11-10**

**HRA Analysis:** Platform: Minimize business regulations, permits, licenses and paperwork.

**HRA Recommendation:** Support OTP

**HB1250**, requiring the public utilities commission to consider climate change in making rate-setting decisions. **Maj. ITL Vote: 12-10**

**HRA Analysis:** Platform: Strongly oppose new taxes and fees, including an income, sales and capital gains tax.

**HRA Recommendation:** Support ITL

**HB1258**, relative to the implementation of the department of energy. **OTP/A Vote: 22-0**

**HRA Analysis:** No constitutional or platform issues identified.

**HRA Recommendation:** No recommendation

**HB1270**, dissolving the legislative oversight committee to monitor the transformation of delivery of electric services. **Maj. OTP/A Vote: 15-7**

**HRA Analysis:** Platform: Sunset programs and regulations to force periodic reevaluation.

**HRA Recommendation:** Support OTP/A

**HB1328**, authorizing a utility to petition to be relieved of their carrier of last resort obligations. **OTP Vote: 12-9**

**HRA Analysis:** Platform: Minimize business regulations, permits, licenses and paperwork.

**HRA Recommendation:** Support OTP

**HB1459**, relative to recycling solar panels. **Maj. OTP/A Vote: 11-7**

**HRA Analysis:** Platform: Require that all energy and infrastructure projects constructed within New Hampshire be constructed in a manner which does not negatively affect New Hampshire's natural beauty and personal property values.

**HRA Recommendation:** Support OTP/A

**HB1596**, relative to net energy metering limits for individual and business customers. **ITL Vote: 13-9**

**HRA Analysis:** Platform: Strongly oppose new taxes and fees, including an income, sales and capital gains tax.

**HRA Recommendation:** Support ITL

**HB1599**, relative to customer generators who sell renewable energy certificates. **OTP Vote: 13-9**

**HRA Analysis:** Platform: Maintain local control of spending and taxes designed to support local services.

**HRA Recommendation:** Support OTP

**HB1611**, relative to rules of the site evaluation committee. **ITL Vote: 21-1**

**HRA Analysis:** No constitutional or platform issues identified.

**HRA Recommendation:** No recommendation

**HB1628**, directing the department of energy to generate a report on the microgrid project currently in progress at the university of New Hampshire in collaboration with the regional utilities. **ITL Vote: 19-3**

**HRA Analysis:** Platform: Justify expenditures against measurable benefits.

**HRA Recommendation:** Support ITL

**HB1629**, relative to default service for net metering. **Maj. OTP Vote: 12-10**

**HRA Analysis:** Platform: Maintain local control of spending and taxes designed to support local services.

**HRA Recommendation:** Support OTP

**HB1635**, relative to the purchase of output of limited electrical energy producers and including qualifying storage system. **Int. study Vote: 18-4**

**HRA Analysis:** Platform: Justify expenditures against measurable benefits.

**HRA Recommendation:** Support IS

**HB1645**, requiring notification to renewable energy customer-generators of issues related to renewable energy credits. **Maj. ITL Vote: 12-10**

**HRA Analysis:** Platform: Justify expenditures against measurable benefits.

**HRA Recommendation:** Support ITL

## **State-Federal Relations and Veterans Affairs**

**HB1284**, establishing a committee to study the effects of deportation of primary earners on family members who are United States citizens. **Maj. ITL Vote: 13-8**

**HRA Analysis:** No constitutional or platform issues identified.

**HRA Recommendation:** No recommendation

**HCR7**, reaffirming support for the nation of Israel and the location of the embassy of the United States therein. **Maj. OTP Vote: 12-9**

**HRA Analysis:** No constitutional or platform issues identified.

**HRA Recommendation:** No recommendation

**HR15**, condemning the Communist Party of China and the People's Republic of China. **Maj. OTP/A Vote: 11-10**

**HRA Analysis:** No constitutional or platform issues identified.

**HRA Recommendation:** No recommendation

**HR17**, opposing all federal and state efforts to establish a carbon tax on fuels for electricity and transportation. **Maj. OTP Vote: 11-10**

**HRA Analysis:** Platform: Oppose all laws, programs, and mandates from local, national, and international organizations and governments contrary to our principles: including, but not limited to, educational standards, United Nations programs, international treaties, sustainable development initiatives, wealth redistribution plans, and punitive environmental controls.

**HRA Recommendation:** Support OTP

**HR18**, urging Congress to remove the exception from the 13th Amendment: "except as a punishment for crime whereof the party shall have been duly convicted." **Maj. ITL Vote: 12-9**

**HRA Analysis:** No constitutional or platform issues identified.

**HRA Recommendation:** No recommendation

## **Transportation**

**HB1093**, relative to the licensure of nonresident aliens temporarily residing in New Hampshire. **Maj. ITL Vote: 10-9**

**HRA Analysis:** Platform: Demand the enforcement of national border security and immigration laws.

**HRA Recommendation:** Support ITL

**HB1302**, relative to the weighing of vehicles. **Maj. OTP Vote: 10-9**

**HRA Analysis:** No constitutional or platform issues identified.

**HRA Recommendation:** No recommendation

**HB1401**, prohibiting the disclosure of the number of miles driven by a specific driver licensed by the state or vehicle registered in the state. **Maj. OTP/A Vote: 10-9**

**HRA Analysis:** Constitution: Article 2-b right to privacy.

**HRA Recommendation:** Support OTP/A

**HB1424**, relative to the speed limit for watercraft on Lake Winnepesaukee. **Maj. ITL Vote: 15-3**

**HRA Analysis:** No constitutional or platform issues identified.

**HRA Recommendation:** No recommendation

**HB1463**, relative to drivers' licenses issued in accordance with the Real ID Act of 2005. **ITL Vote: 10-9**

**HRA Analysis:** Platform: Demand the enforcement of national border security and immigration laws.

**HRA Recommendation:** Support ITL

**HB1666**, relative to the application process for driver's licenses and the privacy of motor vehicle records. **Maj. ITL Vote: 10-9**

**HRA Analysis:** Platform: Demand the enforcement of national border security and immigration laws.

**HRA Recommendation:** Support ITL

## Ways and Means

**HB1097**, relative to taxation of income of New Hampshire residents when working remotely for an out of state employer. **Maj. OTP/A Vote: 17-6**

**HRA Analysis:** Constitution: Nor are the inhabitants of this state controllable by any other laws than those to which they, or their representative body, have given their consent.

**HRA Recommendation:** Support OTP/A

**HB1221**, relative to the rates of the business profits tax and the business enterprise tax. **Maj. OTP/A Vote: 12-11**

**HRA Analysis:** This bill is best without amendments. Platform: Keep state government lean to allow lower business taxes.

**HRA Recommendation:** Oppose amendments - Support OTP/A

**HB1478**, relative to the business profits tax applicable to certain large, low-wage employers. **Maj. ITL Vote: 18-1**

**HRA Analysis:** Platform: Keep state government lean to allow lower business taxes.

**HRA Recommendation:** Support ITL

**HB1524**, establishing a national service alumni attraction and retention fund. **Maj. ITL Vote: 12-11**

**HRA Analysis:** Constitution: Article 10 Government being instituted for the common benefit, protection, and security, of the whole community, and not for the private interest or emolument of any one man, family, or class of men.

**HRA Recommendation:** Support ITL

## Removed from Consent Calendar

### Election Law

**HB1383**, relative to electronic copies of absentee ballot lists. **ITL Vote: 20-0**

**HRA Analysis:**

**HRA Recommendation:**