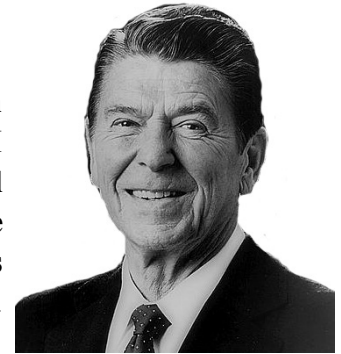


House Republican Alliance Recommendation Sheet

For May 25, 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

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENTS AND ADMINISTRATION

SB 30, establishing the Collaborative Practice for Emergency Contraception Act. MAJORITY: OUGHT TO PASS. Vote 14-5. **Section 8 of the Republican Platform states: "We realize that the family's important function is to raise the next generation." This bill allows kids under the age of 18 to get "the morning after pill," without a parent's knowledge or permission. Kids can't drive until they are 16, buy tobacco products or get a body piercing until they are 18. Additionally, Section 13 of the platform states: "We will work to provide citizen access to the information necessary to make informed health care decisions." Yet, if this bill passes, kids can get a drug that is a stronger dose than one which requires a prescription(oral contraceptives) without their parent's input or their doctor's advice. We have heard repeatedly by those that support this type of legislation that a kid's brain is not fully developed until the early twenties. For the same people to then turn around and support this bill is hypocrisy at its highest level.**

Recommendation-Oppose OTP Then Support ITL If that fails, then Support the Bettencourt Amendment

SB 124, relative to the regulation of real estate brokers by the real estate commission. OUGHT TO PASS WITH AMENDMENT Vote 10-7 **Section 6 of the party platform states: "Working to prevent over-regulation of business, particularly with respect to small businesses. We should work to prevent over regulation of business." This bill increases regulation and targets people just starting up in the real estate business. Further, as admitted in the blurb, the bill discriminates in that it does not offer any uniformity in the criminal background check as it requires only new brokers to submit to the background check.**

Recommendation- Oppose OTP then Support ITL

JUDICIARY

SB 186, allowing probate court judges and district court justices to sit on probate or district court cases. MAJORITY: OUGHT TO PASS WITH AMENDMENT. Vote 15-5. **Part Second -Article 80 [Jurisdiction and Terms of Probate Courts] states: "All matters relating to the probate of wills, and granting letters of administration, shall be exercised by the judges of probate, in such a manner as the legislature have directed, or may hereafter direct: And the judges of probate shall hold their courts at such place or places, on such fixed days, as the conveniency of the people may require; and the legislature from time to time appoint." This bill goes against Art. 80 in that it will allow district court judges to sit in probate courts and probate court judges to sit in district courts. We fully support the minority report.**

Recommendation- Oppose OTP w/Amendment then Support ITL

MUNICIPAL AND COUNTY GOVERNMENT

SB 69-LOCAL, relative to certain insurance liens. INEXPEDIENT TO LEGISLATE Vote 12-3.

In a nutshell, this bill steps on rights of property

Recommendation- Support ITL

SB 180-FN-A-L, increasing certain motor vehicle registration fees and appropriating the funds for local government records management programs. MAJORITY: INEXPEDIENT TO LEGISLATE. Vote 10-5 **This bill is a definite Part II, Article 6-a constitution issue. We agree with the blurb.** **Recommendation -Support ITL**

WAYS AND MEANS

SB 11-FN, extending the local property tax exemption for wooden poles and conduits. MAJORITY: OUGHT TO PASS. Vote 12-9. **A tax is a tax is a tax! This bill keeps taxing and spending in check. If the exemption is removed, taxes and spending will both increase.** **Recommendation- Support OTP**

SB 85, & SB105

No recommendation

RONALD REAGAN QUOTES **FROM "REMARKS AT THE ANNUAL NATIONAL PRAYER BREAKFAST 1985"**

I think we often forget in the daily rush of events the importance in all human dealings of the spiritual dimension. There are such diversities in the world, such terrible and passionate divisions between men, but prayer and fellowship among the great universe of God's believers are the beginning of understanding and reconciliation. They remind us of the great, over-arching things that really unite us.

In this job of mine, you meet with so many people, deal with so many of the problems of man, you can't help being moved by the quiet, unknown heroism of all kinds of people...

You see the heroism and the goodness of man and know in a special way that we are all God's children. The clerk and the king and the Communist were made in His image. We all have souls, and we all have the same problems. I'm convinced, more than ever, that man finds liberation only when he binds himself to God and commits himself to his fellow man.

Will you forgive me if I repeat a story that I told here last year? It's a story that goes back to the fourth century. There was an Asian monk living in a little remote village, tending his garden, spending much of his time in prayer. And then one day, he thought he heard the voice of God telling him to go to Rome. Well, he obeyed the Lord's command, and he set out on foot. And many weary weeks later, he arrived in the capital city of the Roman Empire at the time of a great festival that was going on in Rome. And the little monk followed the crowd that was surging down the streets into the Colosseum. He saw the gladiators come forth, stand before the Emperor, and say, "We who are about to die salute you." And, then, he realized these men were going to fight to the death for the entertainment of the crowd. And he cried out, "In the name of Christ, stop!" And as the games began, he fought his way down through the crowd, climbed over the wall and dropped to the floor of the arena. And when the crowd saw this tiny figure making his way out to the gladiators, saying, "In the name of Christ, stop," they thought it was part of the entertainment. And they began laughing. But when they realized it wasn't, then their laughter turned to anger. And as he was pleading with the gladiators to stop, one of them plunged a sword into his body, and he fell to the sand of the arena, and as he was dying, his last words were, "In the name of Christ, stop." Then a strange thing began to happen. The gladiator stood looking at the tiny figure lying there in the sand. A hush fell over the Colosseum. Way up in the upper tiers, a man stood and made his way to the exit. Others began to follow. In dead silence, everyone left the Colosseum. And that was the last battle to the death between gladiators in the Roman Colosseum. Never again in the great stadium did men kill each other for the entertainment of the crowd. And all because of one tiny voice that could hardly be heard above the tumult. One voice that spoke the truth in God's name. I believe we witness here this morning that that voice is alive today. May it continue to rise above the tumult and be heard. 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."

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