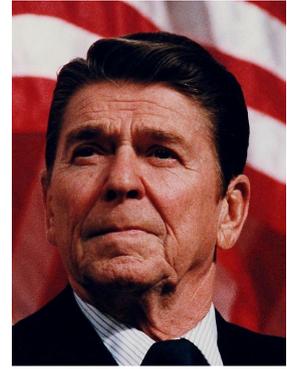


House Republican Alliance Recommendation Sheet



"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.

Thursday, May 4, 2023
Regular Calendar

Criminal Justice and Public Safety

SB209, relative to providing menstrual hygiene products at no cost to individuals who biologically menstruate in state and county correctional facilities. **without recommendation**

HRA Analysis: Bill requires jails to provide menstrual hygiene products. No provision for funding was made, and this violates Part first article 28a

HRA Recommendation: Support ITL

Education

SB77, relative to changes in school placement for students. **without recommendation**

HRA Analysis: Bill allows a local school board to send a child to a private school for any situation where there is demonstrated 'manifest education hardship'. Platform states "we believe that there is no one size fits all education solution"

HRA Recommendation: Support OTP

SB152, relative to New Hampshire workforce training programs. **Maj. OTP; Min. ITL Vote: 15-5**

HRA Analysis: Bill combines two items: the first section has to do with the training for marine trades. The second section has to do with a study commission that has a makeup that violates RSA 14:49. Section 3 violates state law and cannot be supported. Platform states "we believe that there is no one size fits all education solution" The Constitution of N.H., Part 2, Article 83 encourages "rewards, and immunities for the promotion of agriculture, arts, sciences, commerce, trades, manufactures, ..."

HRA Recommendation: Support ITL for section 3
Support balance of the bill

SB155, relative to the adoption of school administrative unit budgets. **Maj. ITL; Min. OTP Vote: 15-5**

HRA Analysis: Bill changes the law to drive additional transparency about the costs for the SAU administration costs. Platform states "maintain local control of spending and taxes designed to support local service." The Constitution of N. H. states "...all the magistrates and officers of government are their substitutes and agents, and at all times accountable to them."

HRA Recommendation: Oppose ITL/ Oppose Table

Election Law

SCR1, affirming the general court's support for New Hampshire's first in the nation primary. **OTP Vote: 18-0**

HRA Analysis: Supports the First In The Nation primary. Platform: New Hampshire, with her rock-solid values and proud history of political activism, must preserve her First In The Nation Primary position

HRA Recommendation: Support OTP

Executive Departments and Administration

SB149, relative to nurse agencies. **Maj. OTP/A; Min. ITL Vote: 15-4**

HRA Analysis: Bill starts the process of regulating travel nurses via an agency. Platform states: Minimize business regulations, permits, licenses and paperwork.

HRA Recommendation: Support ITL

Fish and Game and Marine Resources

SB14, relative to the use of game cameras. **Maj. OTP; Min. ITL Vote: 10-9**

HRA Analysis: Bill allows a land owner to contact Fish and Game about a camera that was placed on their land without landowner permission. Part first, Article 2 states: All men have certain natural, essential, and inherent rights among which are, the enjoying and defending life and liberty; acquiring, possessing, and protecting, property.

HRA Recommendation: Oppose OTP, Support Floor amendment 2023-1520h

Science, Technology and Energy

SB52, relative to the regulation and operation of electric vehicle charging stations. **without recommendation**

HRA Analysis: Establishes a Committee to study installation of electric vehicle (EV) charging stations in NH. NH RSA 238-A establishes the NH Transportation Council which essentially has the same tasking, among other functions. The bill identifies potential funding mechanisms while the Dept of Environmental Services and Dept of Transportation already have \$21M of non-ratepayer monies available. Platform - "Work to reduce energy costs.... "

HRA Recommendation: Support ITL

SB69, relative to allowing certain nonprofits to participate as a customer-generator group hosts under net energy metering. **without recommendation**

HRA Analysis: This bill will expand net energy metering from 1 to 5 MW for non profit organizations. This passes the cost differential on to regular ratepayers. Platform: "Work to reduce energy costs...."

HRA Recommendation: Support ITL

SB79, relative to the participation of customer generators in net energy metering. **without recommendation**

HRA Analysis: This bill will expand net energy metering from 1 to 5 MW for industrial and commercial businesses. This passes the cost differential on to regular ratepayers. Platform: "Work to reduce energy costs...."

HRA Recommendation: Support ITL

SB167, relative to green hydrogen energy and infrastructure. **Maj. ITL; Min. OTP Vote: 11-9**

HRA Analysis: The bill incentivizes green (produced without fossil fuels) hydrogen (H2) by using tax credits. It also establishes an advisory committee. Currently there is no H2 hub in NH nor is there any production, green or non-green as there is no market/demand. The Dept of Energy can recommend any necessary legislation if a market/demand matures requiring action. Platform: We believe in free people, free markets and free enterprise.

HRA Recommendation: Support ITL

Ways and Means

SB51, creating a commission to study charitable gaming and historical horse races and relative to the moratorium on licensed historical horse racing facilities. **OTP Vote: 20-0**

HRA Analysis: Establishes a committee to study charitable gaming. No platform or constitutional issues identified

HRA Recommendation: Vote your conscience

SB104, to regulate online gambling and direct net proceeds to a community college education scholarship fund. **ITL Vote: 20-0**

HRA Analysis: Establishes a committee to study charitable gaming. No platform or constitutional issues identified

HRA Recommendation: Support ITL