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SB 162 NAY/OTPA
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SB 162-FN, relative to federal health care reform 2010.

Committee report: Commerce and Consumer Affairs OTP/A 16-2

This bill, requiring the state to do research and policy analysis in the event New Hampshire is required to implement Federal Health Care Reform, is **anti-liberty**:

- Public Law 111-152 is a federal law, not a state law. New Hampshire cannot be "required" (as the bill states) under any circumstances to implement federal regulations or rules or enact federal law into state law. See: Part first, Article 7 [State Sovereignty]
- Passing this bill after passing SB 148-FN (requiring NH to join the lawsuit against the federal health care act) sends a mixed message about intent to comply with unconstitutional mandates.

SB 162
NAY
ON
OTPA

SB 129-FN, relative to presenting photo identification to vote in person and relative to the election fund.

Committee report: Election Law OTP/A 13-5

This bill, relative to presenting photo identification to vote in person, is **anti-liberty**:

- Part first, Article 11, of the NH Constitution states: All elections are to be free, and every inhabitant of the state of 18 years of age and upwards shall have an equal right to vote in any election.
- Fraudulent voting is already a crime. Existing laws should be enforced against anyone who breaks them, rather than creating new regulations that burden everyone.
- The number of people who register to vote at the polls and don't show a photo ID is vanishingly small. On November 2nd, 2010 only 49 people statewide cast ballots this way.. 1/88th of one percent - hardly a problem which justifies burdening the other 99.989% of voters at the polls.
- Implementing this will increase the cost of elections. Additional staff will have to be available to handle the late election returns and meet certain time obligations complicated by the additional window to receive ballots after the election, along with the costs for thousands of provisional ballot envelopes around the state.
- This bill promotes a 'papers, please' agenda, where citizens are forbidden from exercising their Constitutional right to vote unless they have a government-issued identification card.

SB 129
NAY
ON
OTPA

SB 93, relative to pharmacist administration of vaccines.

Committee report: Health, Human Services and Elderly Affairs OTP 13-3

This bill, expanding the number of pharmacist-administered vaccines, is **pro-liberty**:

- Expands consumer choice in the provision of health care.
- Has potential to decrease medical care costs.

SB 93
YEA
ON
OTP

CACR 5, relating to the governor's power to reduce appropriations. Providing that the governor shall have line item reduction power of items in any bill making appropriations of money.

Committee report: Ways and Means OTP 14-5

This amendment, relating to the governor's power to reduce appropriations, is **anti-liberty**:

- One of the guiding principle of our government is stated in Part I, Art. 37, "the legislative, executive, and judicial, ought to be kept as separate from, and independent of, each other"
- If we follow the logic of CACR5, the Governor should be able to use a line item veto on any piece of legislation, and be able to strike sections from any bill. Giving this type of capability to amend bills to a single individual clearly interferes with the legislature's powers and responsibilities.

CACR 5
NAY
on
OTP

SB 58-FN-A, adding qualified community development entities to the definition of "qualified investment company" under the business profits tax and the business enterprise tax.

Committee report: Ways and Means OTP/A 20-0

This bill, which includes a narrow type of organization in a list of organizations exempted from the Business Profits Tax, **anti-liberty**:

- Generally, reducing taxes is good. But not when the bill results in only a very small group of influential property developers and investors being exempted from an already unpopular tax.
- This bill entangles NH in a bureaucratic federal program that gives state tax exemptions from the Business Profits Tax to wealthy government-recognized investors only.
- If the Business Profits Tax reduces investments and destroys jobs then it should be amended or repealed; not abused as a vehicle to pick winners and losers with ad hoc exemptions and indulgences. "Qualified investment companies" should compete on the same playing field as everyone else.

SB 58
NAY
on
OTP