



HB 1179, imposing an extended term of imprisonment for assault against a health care worker.

Committee recommendation: Criminal Justice and Public Safety : ITL : 8 - 4

This bill, asserting unequal protection under the law, is **anti-liberty**:

- Part 1 Article 1. [Equality of Men] All men are born equally free and independent; [...]
- Crimes and civil remedies already exist to protect healthcare workers.
- Are dental hygienists and podiatrists really deserving of more protection than others?

HB 1179
YEA
on ITL

HB 1684-FN-A, relative to campaign contributions and expenditures

Committee recommendation: Election Law : ITL : 10 - 6

This bill, giving certain political candidates public campaign funds, is **anti-liberty**:

- Permits certain political candidates to apply directly to the state treasury to fund political campaigns.
- Unconstitutional under both state and federal constitutions as an infringement on an individual's free speech. A similar law in Vermont was struck down by the US Supreme Court for violating the 1st Amendment.
- Makes the election financing laws even more complex which effectively limits who can run for office, a violation of NH Constitution, Part I, Article 11.
- For enacting this bill, the State will incur up to \$8 million in payments to political campaigns each election, plus administrative and legal expenses.

HB 1684
YEA
on ITL

HB 1686-FN, relative to state contracts.

Committee recommendation: Executive Departments and Administration : OTP/A : 11 - 3

This bill, requiring winning contracts be posted online, is **pro-liberty**:

- Making the winning contract available to future bidding parties should drive costs down.
- The expense to implement this requirement could easily be offset by the gains from competition.

HB 1686
YEA
on OTP/A

HB 1135, establishing a civil action for certain disruptions of funerals of members or former members of the armed forces.

Committee recommendation: Judiciary : ITL : 10 - 7

This bill, making unlawful the disturbance of some funeral services and not others, is **anti-liberty**:

- Part 1, Article 1. [Equality of Men] All men are born equally free and independent; [...]
- The legislature should not grant protection and recourse to one group and not all individuals.
- The US Supreme Court recently held this restriction to be an unconstitutional restraint on free speech.
- The law is unconstitutionally vague.

HB 1135
YEA
on ITL

The New Hampshire Liberty Alliance would like to invite all Representatives to a meet and greet dessert reception on Wednesday, February 22nd, at 5:00 p.m.

The reception will be held at Tandy's Top Shelf -1 Eagle Square in Concord.