



# GOLD STANDARD



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**HB 278, relative to the use of unused district facilities by chartered public schools.**

**HB 278**

**Education: Pending floor OTP**

**PRO-LIBERTY: This bill requires school districts with unused properties to offer them for lease or sale to charter schools.**

**YEA  
OTP/A**

- This bill provides a requirement to school districts to offer unused properties to charter schools for sale or lease.
- Taxpayer-funded properties would be used for instruction of students instead of potentially being abandoned and becoming dilapidated.

**HB 417, (New Title) relative to the powers of the governor during a renewal of a declared state of emergency, and relative to the acceptance of federal assistance.**

**HB 417**

**Executive Departments and Administration: OTP/A 5-0**

**PRO-LIBERTY: This bill, with the proposed committee amendment, requires legislative oversight of executive power during a renewed state of emergency.**

**YEA  
OTP/A**

- This bill would terminate a state of emergency 30 days after it has been declared unless renewed by the legislature, while still allowing for incremental extension in the cases where the legislature is unable to meet.
- In addition, renewed emergencies would require legislative approval of any executive orders issued. Any federal or private emergency funding to the state would go through the governor and the Executive Council, and would also be required to go through the general court fiscal committee.

**HB 220, establishing medical freedom in immunizations.**

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**Health and Human Services: OTP/A 3-2**

**PRO-LIBERTY: This bill, with the proposed committee amendment, defines the rights for medical freedom in immunizations and establishes a committee to examine the policy of medical intervention including immunizations.**

**YEA  
OTP/A**

- This bill affirms an individual's right to be free from the state or its political subdivisions compelling the individual to receive an immunization for COVID-19 in order to secure, receive, or access any public facility, any public benefit, or any public service.