

NEW HAMPSHIRE LIBERTY ALLIANCE

GOLD STANDARD



House SESSION - Thursday, April 21, 2022

SB 306, relative to the penalties for various motor vehicle violations.

Criminal Justice and Public Safety: OTP 16-4

ANTI-LIBERTY: This bill significantly increases penalties for using electronic devices in running

- The penalties for motor vehicle violations are already more than severe.
- This bill skyrockets the penalties up to and including class A felonies, similar to murder, with an up to 15 year jail term.
- People are naturally incentivized not to be distracted while driving as they have an inherent self-interest in their own survival.

SB 420, establishing an extraordinary need grant for schools.

Education: OTP/A 19-0

ANTI-LIBERTY: This bill increases state education spending by forcing state taxpayers to provide additional education subsidies beyond what is required for an adequate education.

This bill spends millions more unnecessarily on education at the expense of the taxpayer with no clear benefit or accountability.

SB 403, re-establishing the Special Supplemental Nutrition Program for Women, Infants, and Children (WIC) Farmers Market Nutrition Program.

Health, Human Services and Elderly Affairs: OTP 14-7

ANTI-LIBERTY: This bill re-establishes the Special Supplemental Nutrition Program for Women, Infants, and Children (WIC) Farmers Market Nutrition Program.

- The taxpayer should not have to shoulder providing expensive organic fruits and vegetables. This bill seeks to further cripple the taxpayer by instituting another social program that will increase taxes, incentivize poverty, and expand the power of the government, all the while reducing the quality of life of Granite Staters in the process.
- This also replaces private charitable work with government aid, which will always inevitably result in a decrease in the amount and care given to those who are genuinely disadvantaged.

SB 407, relative to expanding Medicaid to include certain postpartum health care services and making an appropriation therefor.

Health, Human Services and Elderly Affairs: OTP 17-4

ANTI-LIBERTY: This bill expands Medicaid.

- This bill is a blatant expansion of entitlement spending. It takes by force from the taxpayer and subsidizes individuals who did not plan for or provide for the expenses incurred with having children.
- This is an expense that should not be borne by those who made responsible choices; instead those in need should seek the readily available charities for their assistance.
- This bill creates even more dependency on the state and unnecessarily increases the burden of the already heavily-encumbered and coerced taxpayer.
- This bill is initially expected to accelerate spending by up to \$1 million per year in perpetuity.

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SB 459, relative to a health care facility workplace violence prevention program.

Health, Human Services and Elderly Affairs: OTP 12-9

ANTI-LIBERTY: This bill requires health care facilities to implement and maintain workplace violence prevention programs and establishes the health care workplace safety commission. This bill also permits law enforcement to arrest an individual without a warrant in certain circumstances related to health care workplaces.

- Violence in any space is already illegal. This bill adds a large amount of unnecessary bureaucracy and cost to further burden health care facilities.
- Law enforcement does not require a warrant to arrest someone when they observe or suspect
 criminal behavior. No further expansion of state powers that would erode the rights of the private
 citizen is required.

SB 442, relative to the suspension of a vehicle registration as a result of evading toll collection systems.

Transportation: OTP 15-0

ANTI-LIBERTY: This bill denies a vehicle owner the right to utilize their property as the result of even a potentially trivial toll collection issue.

- Under current law, an individual's ability to renew their vehicle registration may be denied if there is an unresolved issue with a toll collecting account associated with the individual. With this bill, it changes from a failure to renew to a mandated suspension of registration within 30 days.
- Billing disputes should not be handled by invoking the heavy-handed power of the state to deny the right to travel and potentially cause a vehicle owner to lose their job. Collection of unpaid bills is a civil matter and should be handled accordingly.
- This heavy-handed state action is particularly troubling when reciprocal tolling is used, as there have been a number of high profile cases of E-ZPass improperly billing people (usatoday.com/sto ry/news/local/2021/12/10/ri-ez-pass-truck-toll-gantry-system-incorrectly-charged-1800-cars/64609 40001) as well as instances of improper bills being generated by the pay-by-plate system that is used in multiple states (cbsnews.com/chicago/news/despite-reform-instituted-last-year-some-illino is-tollway-users-struggle-to-resolve-incorrect-charges/).

SB 459

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