

## **NEW HAMPSHIRE LIBERTY ALLIANCE**

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HB 1584, establishing a capital improvement grant program for the benefit of state fairs and agricultural fairs.

**Energy and Natural Resources: OTP 5-0** 

ANTI-LIBERTY: This bill establishes a capital improvement grant program and fund for the benefit of state and agricultural fairs.

- The state should not be picking winners and losers by offering select fairs taxpayer-funded grants.
- Fairs have multiple revenue streams and can be profitable on their own merit without draining the taxpayers' general fund.

HB 1613, (New Title) relative to certain liquor manufacturers.

Finance: OTP 6-1

PRO-LIBERTY: This bill authorizes a liquor manufacturer distilling less than 1,000 cases of liquor per year to sell its liquor at its facility for off-premises consumption.

• This bill enhances the free market opportunities for purchasing liquor in New Hampshire by allowing businesses to sell their product to willing consumers.

HB 103, establishing a dental benefit under the state Medicaid program.

**Health and Human Services: OTP/A 5-0** 

ANTI-LIBERTY: This bill further greatly expands the Medicaid program.

- This program provides able-bodied adults in New Hampshire with taxpayer-funded dental coverage at taxpayer expense.
- Expanded state-controlled dental benefits will slowly crowd out private solutions and provide another government-controlled item that can be used as a carrot and stick to force the population to conform to state-dictated behaviors.
- Further expansion of federal dollars and programs in the state will, as was the case with the CMS vaccine mandates, result in more federal control of New Hampshire citizens.

HB 1044, (New Title) relative to direct payment and membership-based health care facilities.

Health and Human Services: IS 4-1

PRO-LIBERTY: This bill exempts certain health facilities that exclusively provide services to persons making direct payment from requirements on written policies for providing services.

- This bill reduces constraints on the health care market and opens up the opportunity for lower-cost, high-quality health care providers.
- The bill offers the possibility for consumers to explore health care without paying the cumbersome and prohibitive insurance industry, which have inserted themselves between the doctor and the patient at great cost to both.
- The appropriate motion for this bill is OTP.

HB 1584

NAY OTP

HB 1613

YEA OTP

**HB 103** 

NAY OTP/A

**HB 1044** 

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HB 1241, prohibiting a school district from mandating a COVID-19 vaccination for school attendance.

**HB 1241** 

Health and Human Services: IS 4-1

PRO-LIBERTY: This bill prohibits school districts from mandating that students have a COVID-19 vaccination in order to attend school.

- Parents, rather than school boards or the Department of Health and Human Services, should be given the decision to make important medical decisions that will impact their children's lives. This is particularly true in cases where the vaccine is shown to offer little protection in the way of third-party infection risk.
- This bill further cements New Hampshire's commitment to parental rights. If a facility is receiving public funding, there is scant justification to barring otherwise eligible taxpayers from utilizing that
- During the public hearing, testimony was provided that DHHS and others believe that school districts already do not have the authority to compel vaccinations; however, it is not unheard of for municipalities or other political subdivisions to overstep their authority when it is not clearly delineated in legislation. This bill would provide that clarity.
- The appropriate motion for this bill is OTP.

HB 1495, (New Title) prohibiting the state from requiring businesses to require vaccine or documentation related to vaccination or immunity status.

Health and Human Services: OTP/A 3-2

PRO-LIBERTY: This bill prohibits the state from requiring businesses to require vaccine or documentation related to vaccination or immunity status.

- This bill prohibits the state from imposing backdoor vaccine mandates or vaccine passport systems by seeking to require businesses to impose mandates that might otherwise be unconstitutional if the state were to seek them directly.
- The state should not have the authority to compel a third-party actor such as a business to enforce an infringement on liberty.

HB 629, relative to the home cultivation of cannabis plants and the possession of certain cannabis-infused products.

**Judiciary: OTP 3-2** 

PRO-LIBERTY: This bill legalizes adult possession of small amounts of cannabis.

- This bill makes it legal for adults 21 and older to possess up to 3/4 ounce of cannabis, five grams of hashish, and up to 300 mg of cannabis-infused products, and to cultivate up to six plants (including up to three mature plants) in a secure location.
- The bill does not impose any taxes or create any new bureaucracy.
- All neighboring jurisdictions have legalized possession and cultivation of cannabis for adults; Granite Staters should not have less freedom with regard to cannabis than adults in Massachusetts, Vermont, Maine, and Canada.

HB 1425, relative to the taking of real property by eminent domain.

**Judiciary: ITL 5-0** 

PRO-LIBERTY: This bill modifies the power of the governor and council to take private property during states of emergency and modifies the calculation of compensation paid for such takings.

- This bill seeks to allow for fairer compensation when real property is taken by eminent domain during an emergency. While we generally view such takings as abhorrent, to the extent they occur they should be rare and individuals should be fairly compensated for both the property as well as loss of use and other indirect costs associated with the seizure.
- This bill gives the owner the right of first refusal to purchase the property should be put up for sole, helping to make the property should be put up to make the property sh property should be put up for sale, helping to reduce the risk of takings during an emergency being used to circumvent the protections in the New Hampshire Constitution Part 1, [Art.] 12-a. "[Power] to Take Property Limited.] No part of a person's property shall be taken by eminent domain and transferred, directly or indirectly, to another person if the taking is for the purpose of private development or other private use of the property."

NAY IS

HB 1495

YEA OTP/A

**HB** 629

HB 1425