

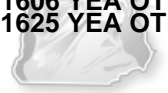


NEW HAMPSHIRE LIBERTY ALLIANCE

GOLD STANDARD

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HB 1165, repealing the Granite State paid family leave plan.

Commerce: IS 4-1

PRO-LIBERTY: This bill reduces both spending and the risk of a future tax increase.

- This bill reduces spending and overhead cost of a portion of the government bureaucracy, thereby reducing risk of a future tax increase.
- Private insurance carriers have offered to provide this type of insurance in New Hampshire with or without this legislation.
- The appropriate motion for this bill is OTP.

HB 1165

NAY IS

HB 1132, relative to applications for a charter conversion school.

Education: OTP/A 3-1

PRO-LIBERTY: This bill removes the requirement for a vote of teachers, superintendent, and principal for conversion of a public school to a chartered public school, and adds the requirement for a majority vote of the school district at a regular annual meeting or special meeting.

- The purpose of public schools is to meet the educational requirements of the students and the desires of the parents and the public who are paying for the schools through their taxes.
- The monopoly school district should not get to decide whether to keep the status quo or adopt an educational model that the parents and public believe will better serve the students.

HB 1132

**YEA
OTP/A**

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

Finance: OTP 6-0

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

- This bill expands the size, scope, and cost of Medicaid, adding to the taxpayer burden.
- 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 103

**NAY
OTP**

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

Finance: ITL 4-2

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 1584

YEA ITL

**YEA
OTP/A**

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OTP**

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OTP/A**

**YEA
OTP/A**

HB 1022, permitting pharmacists to dispense the drug ivermectin by means of a standing order.

Health and Human Services: OTP/A 3-2

PRO-LIBERTY: This bill allows pharmacists to dispense ivermectin pursuant to a standing order entered into by licensed health care providers.

- This bill provides the option for a licensed physician or Advanced Practice Registered Nurse (APRN) to provide a standing order to a pharmacist to dispense ivermectin under the delegated prescriptive authority of the physician or APRN.
- Medications should be available to individuals to purchase over-the-counter. While there are risks with allowing individuals choice, freedom is not without risks and the current barriers increase costs and encourage patients to take a passive role in the management of their health.

HB 1099, prohibiting the department of health and human services from requiring vaccine passports for services.

Health and Human Services: OTP 3-2

PRO-LIBERTY: This bill asserts that no person shall be required to receive a COVID-19 vaccination in order to receive benefits or services from the Department of Health and Human Services.

- No taxpayer should be denied services for which they paid.
- Medical freedom, self-ownership, and bodily integrity are at the heart of liberty and no institution that receives public funding shall deny access based on vaccination status.
- This bill more explicitly extends the medical freedom that exists in public (government) facilities to also apply to the DHHS, which is a service funded by tax money and should be accessible to all who pay taxes in NH.

HB 1455, relative to state enforcement of federal vaccination mandates.

Health and Human Services: OTP/A 3-2

PRO-LIBERTY: This bill prohibits state enforcement of any federal law, order, or rule that requires an individual, as a condition of employment or any other activity, to provide proof of vaccination against COVID-19 or to submit more than once per month to COVID-19 testing.

- Taxpayer money should not provide funding to oppress the taxpayer. The federal government, through executive action not explicitly authorized by Congress, has chosen to utilize administrative rulemaking authority and the power of the purse over a segment of the economy that it has seized through force to compel behaviors that we now know offer little-to-no third-party protection. The state of New Hampshire should not participate in this overreach.

HB 1606, making the state vaccine registry an opt-in program.

Health and Human Services: OTP/A 4-1

PRO-LIBERTY: This bill makes the state immunization registry an opt-in program rather than an opt-out program.

- Under Article 2-b of the New Hampshire Constitution, it is illegal for the government to collect private medical data in a centralized registry without the consent of the participants.
- This bill seeks to assist the state government in complying with the law that the NH voters established in 2018.
- Privacy, particularly medical privacy, is profoundly important to maintaining the liberty of the citizenry.

HB 1101, relative to a forfeiture of personal property.

HB 1101

Judiciary: IS 4-1

PRO-LIBERTY: This bill limits the conditions under which seized property may be transferred to a federal agency. More specifically, state or local police cannot transfer property seized under state law to a federal agency for seizure under the federal Controlled Substances Act.

NAY IS

- In 2016 NH abandoned civil asset forfeiture in favor of requiring due process protections required in a criminal proceeding.
- The federal government maintains a program called "Equitable Sharing", which allows law enforcement to circumvent our state's criminal process. Funds forfeited in the federal process return 80% directly to the agency, bypassing normal appropriations (and oversight) of legislative bodies.
- The vast majority of forfeitures are below \$10,000, affecting those with few resources to defend themselves, as opposed to the drug kingpins that are claimed to be the targets of civil asset forfeiture.
- The appropriate motion for this bill is OTP.

HB 1178, prohibiting the state from enforcing any federal statute, regulation, or Presidential Executive Order that restricts or regulates the right of the people to keep and bear arms.

HB 1178

Judiciary: OTP/A 3-2

PRO-LIBERTY: This bill adds state protections to the U.S. Second Amendment guarantee that the right to bear arms shall not be infringed.

YEA OTP/A

- This bill prohibits the state of New Hampshire and its political subdivisions from assisting with enforcement of any federal law or executive order relative to firearms, firearm components, or ammunition that is inconsistent with explicitly-defined law of this state.
- The bill and proposed committee amendment contain broad exceptions to allow cooperation with federal officials for activities associated with violation of New Hampshire firearm laws as well as violation of federal laws/orders that are unrelated to firearms. While the exceptions are broad and may weaken the bill compared to how it was originally introduced in the House, it provides legislative coverage for New Hampshire officials who attempt to resist unconstitutional federal overreach that is inconsistent with New Hampshire law.

HB 1625, repealing the prohibition on entering or remaining on a public way or sidewalk adjacent to a reproductive health care facility.

HB 1625

Judiciary: OTP 3-2

PRO-LIBERTY: This bill repeals a violation of the First Amendment.

YEA OTP

- Whereas the NHLA has a policy of not taking positions on the issue of abortion in general, this bill's restoration of freedom of expression protected by the First Amendment merits our taking a position in support of this bill.
- This bill repeals the "buffer zone" created by SB 319 (2014) restoring the right of people to peacefully assemble, as provided by the protections of the First Amendment.
- This law has been in place for 7 years and appears to be unenforced. Buffer zones are reminiscent of the abhorrent "free speech zones" at presidential events.