



NEW HAMPSHIRE LIBERTY ALLIANCE

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SB 169, requiring employers to provide certain information regarding cost sharing to employees receiving workers' compensation benefits.

SB 169

Labor, Industrial and Rehabilitative Services: ITL 10-9

ANTI-LIBERTY: This bill requires employers who are making supplemental payments to employees collecting workers compensation benefits to provide them a detailed breakdown of the payments and adjustments.

YEA ITL

- This bill is yet another mandate that employers must follow to be in compliance with labor laws.
- While a small request on its face, when added to all of the compliance requirements for employers it collectively makes it harder to do business in New Hampshire.
- The businesses impacted the most under additional requirements are small businesses who are less likely to have compliance employees to handle these requests.

SB 171, relative to required pay for remote work.

SB 171

Labor, Industrial and Rehabilitative Services: OTP/A 10-9

PRO-LIBERTY: This bill removes the 2-hour minimum an employee must be paid per shift.

**YEA
OTP/A**

- While the original bill was great, the amended bill is even better.
- Payment terms should be negotiated between an employer and employee.
- In effect, this eliminates a type of minimum wage, by eliminating minimum hours.

SB 60, relative to advanced deposit account wagering and the department of health and human services' rulemaking authority regarding immunization requirements.

SB 60

Ways and Means: OTP 19-0

PRO-LIBERTY: This bill increases tax revenue from bets on horse racing by allowing advanced deposit account wagering. Also, this bill was amended to include limits to the state's required vaccinations for children.

**YEA
OTP/A**

- This bill contains a non-germane amendment, but since NHLA has rated both SB60 and the original bill that contained the text of the amendment (HB357) as pro-liberty, we consider a vote of OTP/A to be pro-liberty as well.
- SB 60 will increase tax revenue via a tax only charged to those participating in the activity of horse race betting. It is in essence a user fee.
- The amendment limits what vaccinations must be given to children by state mandate. This takes the power to make health decisions for children away from the state and gives it to parents, who are the proper people to make these decisions.

SB 63, relative to funding for the division of travel and tourism.

SB 63

Ways and Means: OTP 19-0

ANTI-LIBERTY: This bill changes the funding formula for the use of meals and rooms tax to allocate \$4 million in additional funding to the Division of Travel and Tourism.

**NAY
OTP**

- This bill does not change the tax rate, but instead gives a larger share of tax revenue to marketing efforts for tourism to New Hampshire.
- Marketing efforts like these are not an effective use of government funds and should be eliminated, and certainly should not be expanded as this bill proposes to do.
- Hotels, restaurants, and attractions can self-assess regarding joint marketing efforts privately, without wasting taxpayer dollars or compelling participation from all tourism-related business.

Pulled from Consent Calendar

PRO-LIBERTY: This bill prevents a local legislative body from requiring more than 1 parking space per unit, or 1.5 spaces per unit for multifamily developments of at least 10 units and for workforce housing.

- Excessive parking requirements are often a challenge in the development of housing, especially workforce housing.
- Lowering this requirement makes starter homes more economical to build.