



NEW HAMPSHIRE LIBERTY ALLIANCE

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SB 517, relative to the responsibility of local school districts to provide meals to students during school hours, reimbursing schools for meals provided to students at no cost, and making an appropriation therefor.

SB 517

Finance: OTP 7-0

ANTI-LIBERTY: This bill increases the eligibility of free school lunches to 200% of the federal poverty line. It mandates the state to pay for the lunches.

**NAY
OTP**

- A family of four making \$66,000 per year will receive free school lunches. At this income level they can afford to feed their children without government assistance.
- Parents and guardians, not the government, are responsible for feeding their children.

SB 616, relative to reporting requirements under the right to try act.

SB 616

Finance: OTP 7-0

ANTI-LIBERTY: This bill adds additional reporting requirements for healthcare providers providing services under the Right To Try act.

**NAY
OTP**

- These additional requirements only serve to make it more difficult for patients to try alternative treatments and for providers to offer them.

SB 631, (New Title) authorizing the sale of toll credits to fund a newly established noise barrier construction fund for the design and construction of noise barrier projects.

SB 631

Finance: OTP 7-0

ANTI-LIBERTY: This bill borrows against future toll revenues to build sound walls.

**NAY
OTP**

- If sound walls were a priority, they should have been funded via the biennial budget process.
- Allowing the advance sale of tolls steals revenue from future year toll revenue. The state should live within its means and not build sound walls on credit.

SB 664, limiting hospital executive compensation in communities designated as distressed place-based economies under certain circumstances.

SB 664

Health and Human Services: OTP 4-1

ANTI-LIBERTY: This bill freezes executive compensation at hospitals that lay off 10 or more people.

**NAY
OTP**

- Employee compensation is a private transaction between an employer and their employees. This law would inject government into this private matter.
- The free market should determine what is fair compensation for employees, not government regulation.

SB 557, prohibiting the sale of kratom products to anyone under 21 years of age and providing for the regulation of the sale of kratom products.

SB 557

Judiciary: OTP/A 5-0

ANTI-LIBERTY: This bill bans the sale of kratom products to adults aged 18 to 21.

**NAY
OTP/A**

- The private, personal use of kratom products should be legal to all adults.
- This bill takes away bodily autonomy from adults aged 18 to 21, treating them the same as minors who should not be able to consent.

ANTI-LIBERTY: This bill restricts Right-to-Know requests to persons domiciled or maintaining a permanent residence in New Hampshire and requires proof of domicile or residency to file Right-to-Know requests.

**NAY
OTP/A**

- Information created with taxpayer money belongs to the public, and restricting access based on residency creates an artificial barrier to accountability.
- When records are openly accessible to anyone — journalists, watchdog groups, and citizens everywhere — it increases scrutiny and reduces the chances that misconduct stays hidden.
- Government decisions often affect people beyond a single state (businesses, travelers, researchers, taxpayers nationwide). Open records laws should reflect the principle that government power must remain visible to all.