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JOINT RECOMMENDATIONS - THURSDAY, JUNE 4, 2026

**HB 155, (New Title) relative to business enterprise tax returns and appropriating funds to the department of health and human services for licensed nursing facilities.**

**HB 155**

**Finance:**

**PRO-LIBERTY:** This bill increases the minimum threshold for a business to pay the Business Enterprise Tax (BET). It increase from \$250,000 to \$400,000. The bill also decreases the BET by 0.05% whenever there is a surplus of \$100 million in business tax revenue. It does this until the rate drops to 0.25%.

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- This bill increases the number of small businesses who likely will not have to file to pay business enterprise tax.
- This is a good compromise. It only lowers the BET when there is surplus BET revenue.
- Lowering the BET will help attract employers to New Hampshire.

**HB 317, (New Title) allowing a supervisor of the checklist to verify a person's identity, with identification, if they personally know that person.**

**HB 317**

**Election Law and Municipal Affairs:**

**PRO-LIBERTY:** This bill allows a supervisor of the checklist to verify a person's identity if they personally know them. It also requires the supervisor of the checklist to fill out a form when the do this.

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- This version is the Senate version of the bill, which NHLA supported when it was under consideration in the Senate.
- In small towns where we know our neighbors, it makes sense to allow this type of accommodation.

**HB 340, relative to electioneering by public employees.**

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**Election Law and Municipal Affairs:**

**PRO-LIBERTY:** This bill forbids electioneering by public employees and adds a civil penalty for violators. It specifiially mentions biased surveys as a form of electioneering.

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- This bill protects voters from improper influence by public employees.
- It also projects public employees by including the option of a civil penalty.
- Public employees should not be using their position of power and public trust for overtly political purposes.

# HB 609

**HB 609, relative to the general court's authority over the sale, purchase, ownership, use, possession, transportation, licensing, permitting, taxation, and other matter pertaining to firearms, stun guns, Tasers, pepper spray devices, knives and other self-defense tools.**

**Judiciary:**

**PRO-LIBERTY: This bill as amended in the Committee of Conference, prevents local governments from writing rules relating to firearms and other weapons. It affirms that the state, and not local governments, is empowered to restrict the use of firearms. It gives private citizens the right to sue a local government who violates the law and improperly resitricsts firearms.**

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- This version of the bill addresses preemption by local governments and adds new restrictions to when agencies have the authority to make rules relating to firearms. While this is not an elimination of rulemaking entirely, it is a step in the right direction.
- Adding a private right of action allows private citizens to sue local governments who violate this law. This creates real penalties for activist local governments.

# HB 751

**HB 751, (Second New Title) establishing a committee to study licensure of outpatient substance use disorder treatment facilities, authorizing parents to enroll their children in any public school in the state, and creating a limited exemption from parental consent required for certain recordings under the parental bill of rights.**

**Executive Departments and Administration:**

**PRO-LIBERTY: This bill, as amended, requires school districts to allow at least 10 percent of their students to attend an open enrollment school if they so choose.**

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- While this is not the statewide open enrollment that was originally anticipated, this bill is a step forward in that it does not allow school districts to ban open enrollment entirely.
- Open enrollment allows families to vote with their feet, by taking their children from underperforming schools and placing them in other schools they prefer. Competition in the marketplace will lead to better learning outcomes for students and parents.

# HB 1300

**HB 1300, (Second New Title) establishing a school district local tax cap question for the state general election of 2026 and related limitations on central office administrative expenses in school districts.**

**Election Law and Municipal Affairs:**

**PRO-LIBERTY: This bill allows the voters to cap the local taxes related to school district spending. As amended, it will only propose the tax cap in the 2026 and 2028 November elections.**

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- The March town elections low turnout, generally around 20 percent of registered voters. In the November elections, that number is closer to 80 percent.
- This bill strenghtens democracy by giving more voters a voice in their local school board's budget. Asking this question of the voters when there is higher turnout allows more voters to weigh in on local property tax issues.
- This is an NHLA priority bill and will be highly weighted in the Liberty Rating.

# HB 1306

**HB 1306, relative to the counting of absentee ballots.**

**Election Law and Municipal Affairs:**

**PRO-LIBERTY: This bill creates a record for the absentee ballots and stores that record in three places.**

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- This report adopts the Senate version of the bill.
- Both the Senate and House versions of the bill acheive the same outcome, but go about doing it in different ways. In either case, increasing access to the record of absentee ballots allows for more easily verifiable elections.

**HB 1374, (New Title) modifying the procedures for withdrawal from a cooperative school district and the discontinuance of elementary and high schools and requiring the review of school district operating documents by school boards.** **HB 1374**

**Education:**

**PRO-LIBERTY:** This bill modifies the procedure for withdrawal from a cooperative school district to allow a majority of voters in a single withdrawing district to elect to withdraw. It also clarifies that a supermajority of voters in the withdrawing district voting in favor of withdrawal shall constitute conclusive evidence of the withdrawal of the district.

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- This report largely adopts the Senate version of the bill. It adds specific time requirements for governing bodies to enter into an operating agreement for the school district within 90 days.

**HB 1376, (New Title) relative to a parent's ability to raise their child in a manner consistent with the child's biological sex and relative to breast surgeries for minors.** **HB 1376**

**Children and Family Law:**

**PRO-LIBERTY:** This bill, as reported from Committee of Conference, makes clear that raising your child as their biological sex is not a crime. It removes additional language relating to minors undergoing breast surgery, finding it redundant to existing law.

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- This bill strengthens parental rights. Parents have a primary right to direct the upbringing, education, and medical decisions of their own children.
- This bill stops the state from imposing contested gender ideology through coercive power, preserving individual liberty and parental authority.
- This bill restores clear, objective boundaries around what constitutes genuine child abuse, preventing vague and politically motivated expansions of state power that could be weaponized against dissenting parents

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