

NH House

Deadlines

Thursday, February 16, 2012	Last day to act on HBs going to a second committee.
Thursday, February 23, 2012	Last day to report HBs not in a second committee.
Thursday, March 22, 2012	Last day to report all remaining House bills.
Thursday, March 29, 2012	Last day to act on House bills. CROSSOVER.

The House will be in Session **Wednesday, February 15, 2012 at 10:00 a.m.**

Chairmen of legislative committees and subcommittees have been requested as much as possible to limit their work to Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays of each week in order to reduce expenditures for mileage reimbursement.

Chairmen and Vice-Chairmen will meet **Tuesday, February 14th at 9:00 a.m.** in LOB 305-307.

There will be a Republican Caucus on Wednesday, **February 15 at 9:30 a.m.** in Representatives Hall.

There will be a Democratic Caucus on Wednesday, **February 15 at 9:00 a.m.** in Rooms 305-307, LOB.

NH Senate

Deadlines

Thursday, March 15, 2012	Deadline for Policy Committees to ACT on all Senate bills with a fiscal impact, except bills exempted pursuant to Senate Rule 4-3 (b).
Thursday, March 29, 2012	Last Day to ACT on all Senate bills. CROSSOVER
Thursday, May 03, 2012	Deadline for Policy Committees to ACT on all House bills with a fiscal impact, except bills exempted pursuant to Senate Rule 4-3 (b).
Thursday, May 17, 2012	Last Day to ACT on all House bills.
Thursday, May 24, 2012	Last Day to FORM Committees of Conference.
Thursday, May 31, 2012	Last Day to SIGN Committee of Conference Reports
Thursday, June 7, 2012	Last Day to ACT on Committee of Conference Reports

The Senate will meet in session on **Wednesday, February 15, 2012, at 1:00 P.M.**

The House and Senate will take a winter break from business the week of February 27 – March 2, 2012.

Home Education Law

- [HB545](#) – (New Title) relative to the administrative rulemaking process governing home educated pupils. (Prime) David Bates, Marilinda Garcia, Paul Ingbretson, Ralph Boehm, Jon Richardson, Sharon Carson, Fenton Groen
 - 10/18/2011 – House Education Committee voted 13-1 OTP/AM, [#2716h](#), new title, relative to the administrative rulemaking process governing home educated pupils.
 - 1/4/2012 – House voted OTP/AM on the consent calendar
- [HB1571](#) - relative to educational evaluation of home schooled children. (Prime) J.R. Hoell
 - This bill amends the educational evaluation procedures for home educated children and repeals the notice, hearing, and appeals procedures afforded to parents relative to the termination of a home education program.
 - 1/4/2012 – introduced and referred to the House Education Committee
 - 1/25/2012 – Public Hearing, 1:00 PM, LOB 207
 - 2/2/2012 – Committee voted 17-0 OTP/AM, [#0554h](#)
 - 2/15/2012 – House vote scheduled, consent calendar
- [HB1589](#) - establishing a legislative committee to study and propose a recodification of the education laws currently in RSA title 15. (Prime) Seth Cohn, Michele Peckham, Paul Brown, Christopher Serlin, Daniel Itse, Joseph Krasucki, Joshua Davenport
 - 1/4/2012 – introduced and referred to the House Education Committee
 - 2/7/2012 – Public hearing, 3:00 PM, LOB 207
 - 2/9/2012 – Executive session, 1:00 PM, LOB 207

Compulsory attendance, dropouts, expulsions

- [HB1162](#) – establishing a committee to study the effects of compulsory school attendance on children and families. Sponsors: (Prime) J.R. Hoell
 - 1/4/2012 – introduced and referred to the House Education Committee
 - 1/26/2012 – Public hearing, 10:00 AM, LOB 207
 - 2/2/2012 – Committee voted 14-2 ITL
 - 2/15/2012 – House vote scheduled, regular calendar
- [HB1167](#) – repealing the 180-day school year requirement. Sponsors: (Prime) Charles Sova
 - 1/4/2012 – to be introduced and referred to the House Education Committee
 - 1/26/2012 – Public hearing, 10:30 AM, LOB 207
 - 2/14/2012 – Executive session, 1:00 PM, LOB 207
- [HB 1382](#) – including parents in the approval process for alternative learning plans and requiring a truant officer to obtain a warrant or permission of a parent prior to returning a child to school. Sponsors: (Prime) James Parison, Paul Mirski, Laura Jones, Charles Sova, Sharon Carson, James Forsythe, Raymond White
 - This bill provides that an alternative learning plan for a child 16 years of age or older may be submitted to the child's parent for approval. The bill also requires that a truant officer obtain a warrant or permission of a parent to return a child to school who is not complying with compulsory school attendance laws.
 - 1/4/2012 – introduced and referred to the House Education Committee
 - 1/12/2012 – Public hearing, 1:00 PM, LOB 207
 - 2/2/2012 – Public hearing, 10:00 AM, LOB 207
 - 2/9/2012 – Executive session, 1:00 PM, LOB 207

Compulsory attendance, dropouts, expulsions (continued)

- [HB 1403](#) – allowing a parent or guardian to withdraw a child from a school district which adopts the international baccalaureate program. (Prime) Laurie Pettengill, Seth Cohn, Sean Cox, Gregory Hill, Kenneth Kreis
 - 1/4/2012 – introduced and referred to the House Education Committee
 - 1/26/2012 – Public hearing, 11:00 AM, LOB 207
 - 2/14/2012 – Executive session, 1:00 PM, LOB 207
- [HB 1424-FN](#) – relative to a parent's conscientious objection to a school, school program, or school curriculum. Sponsors: (Prime) J.R. Hoell, Mark Warden
 - This bill prohibits a school district from requiring that a parent send his or her child to any school or participating in any school program or curriculum to which the parent is conscientiously opposed.
 - *HB542, which was essentially the same bill, was enacted on 1/4/2012*
 - 1/4/2012 – introduced and referred to the House Education Committee
 - 2/7/2012 – Public hearing, 1:00 PM, LOB 207
 - 2/21/2012 – Executive session, 10:00 AM, LOB 207
- [HB 1456](#) – relative to school district policies on health and sex education. (Prime) Gregory Hill, Rick Ladd, J.R. Hoell, Charles Brosseau
 - This bill requires a school district to adopt a policy allowing an exception to a particular unit of health or sex education whenever a parent or legal guardian requests the exception.
 - 1/4/2012 – introduced and referred to the House Education Committee
 - 2/9/2012 – Public hearing, 10:00 AM, LOB 207
 - 2/16/2012 – Executive session, 10:00 AM, LOB 207
- [HB 1461](#) – requiring school officials to notify parents of a class or event involving an outside speaker and allowing parents to opt for their child not to participate in the class or event. (Prime) William Smith, James Forsythe
 - 1/4/2012 – introduced and referred to the House Education Committee
 - 1/26/2012 – Public hearing, 1:00 PM, LOB 207
 - 2/2/2012 – Committee voted 17-0 OTP/AM, [#0570h](#)
 - 2/15/2012 – House vote scheduled, consent calendar
- [HB 1575](#) - relative to alternative course selections for certain pupils. (Prime) J.R. Hoell, Joseph Pitre
 - 1/4/2012 – introduced and referred to the House Education Committee
 - 1/25/2012 – Public hearing, 2:00 PM, LOB 207
 - 2/2/2012 – Committee voted 16-1 ITL
 - 2/15/2012 – House vote scheduled, consent calendar
- [SB272-FN](#) – relative to truancy. (Prime) David Boutin
 - This bill makes truancy a violation for any minor who is 12 years of age or older and provides for a fine for the violation.
 - 1/4/2012 – introduced and referred to the Senate Judiciary Committee
 - 1/26/2012 – Public hearing, 1:00 PM, LOB 101

Rulemaking

- [HB219](#) - establishing a committee to study the abolishment of the department of education. (Prime) Charles Sova, Steven Winter, Paul LaCasse
 - 10/18/2011 – House Education Committee voted 12-4 OTP/AM, [#2755h](#), new title, restricting the rulemaking authority of the state board of education and establishing a legislative oversight committee to review the rulemaking authority of the state board of education.
 - 1/5/2012 – House voted 214-110 OTP/AM on a roll call vote
- [HB1360](#) - relative to the rulemaking authority of the state board of education. Sponsors: (Prime) Michael Balboni, Lynne Ober
 - This bill exempts the state board of education from the rulemaking procedure in RSA 541-A and requires the state board of education to submit proposed rules to the house and senate education committees for approval.
 - 1/4/2012 – introduced and referred to the House Education Committee
 - 1/17/2012 – Public hearing, 10:00 AM, LOB 207
 - 1/24/2012 – Committee voted 13-4 OTP/AM, [#0389h](#)
 - 2/1/2012 – House voted 238-88 OTP/AM, [#0389h](#)
 - 2/1/2012 – referred to Executive Departments and Administration
 - 3/6/2012 – Public hearing, 10:15 AM, LOB 306
- [HB1713](#) – abolishing the department of education and transferring all functions, duties, and responsibilities to the commissioner of education. (Prime) Charles Sova, Seth Cohn, Susan DeLemus, Frederick Leonard
 - 1/11/2012 – introduced and referred to the House Education Committee
 - 2/2/2012 – Public hearing, 10:30 AM, LOB 207
 - 2/21/2012 – Executive session, 10:00 AM, LOB 207

Vouchers, abatements, tax credits

- [HB1607-FN-L](#) – establishing an education credit against the business profits tax. Sponsors: (Prime) David Bettencourt, Gregory Hill, James Forsythe, William Smith, Tom De Blois, Dan McGuire, William O'Brien, Pamela Tucker, David Bates, Peter Silva, Gene Chandler
 - This bill establishes an education credit against the business profits tax for business organizations that contribute to scholarship organizations which awards scholarships to be used by students to defray the educational expenses of attending an independent school.
 - 1/4/2012 – introduced and referred to the House Ways and Means Committee
 - 1/12/2012 – Public hearing, 2:00 PM, LOB 202
 - 1/30/2012 – Subcommittee Work Session, 10:00 AM, LOB 202
 - 2/2/2012 – Subcommittee Work Session, 1:00 PM, LOB 202
 - 2/13/2012 – Subcommittee Work Session, 10:00 AM, LOB 202
- 2/14/2012 – Executive session, 1:00 PM, LOB 202 [SB372-FN-L](#) – establishing an education credit against the business profits tax. (Prime) James Forsythe, Fenton Groen, John Gallus, Peter Bragdon, Sharon Carson, Jeb Bradley, Jim Luther, Andy Sanborn, Raymond White, Gary Lambert, Tom De Blois, David Bettencourt, Gregory Hill, Warren Groen, Brian Murphy
 - This bill establishes an education credit against the business profits tax for business organizations that contribute to scholarship organizations which awards scholarships to be used by students to defray the educational expenses of attending an independent school.
 - 1/4/2012 – introduced and referred to the Senate Education Committee
 - 1/24/2012 – Public hearing, 1:00 PM, LOB 103
 - 2/14/2012 – Public hearing, continued, 1:00 PM, LOB 103
- HB1607 and SB372 are essentially the same bill. They are based on the recommendations in the [interim report](#) of the [Committee to Study the Implementation of a Education Tax Credit Plan in New Hampshire](#).
 - Sen James Forsythe, Sen Tom DeBlois, Sen Nancy Stiles, Rep David Hess, Rep J.R. Hoell, Rep Laura Jones
 - 11/1/11 – Interim report filed. See bills below.
 - 11/1/12 – Final report due

From the fiscal notes of HB1607 and SB372:

- The Department [of Education] states per the 2010-2011 unique pupil identifier collection, there are 981 students who left public school to attend private school, and **699 students who left public school to be home schooled**, a total of 1,680 students.

College access

- [HB 1268-FN](#) – requiring the department of education to reimburse the community colleges for the costs of providing remedial courses. (Prime) Kenneth Sheffert
 - This bill requires the department of education to reimburse each institution within the community college system of New Hampshire for the full cost of educational and personnel expenses associated with the provision of remedial level courses to graduates of New Hampshire schools.
 - 1/4/2012 – introduced and referred to the House Education Committee
 - 1/10/2012 – Public hearing, 11:00 AM, LOB 207
 - 1/19/2012 – Committee voted 15-0 ITL
 - 2/1/2012 – House voted ITL on a voice vote
- [HB 1313](#) – allowing school districts to offer higher education scholarships to high school pupils. Sponsors: (Prime) Gary Daniels
 - 1/4/2012 – introduced and referred to the House Education Committee
 - 2/7/2012 – Public hearing, 10:00 AM, LOB 207
 - 2/9/2012 – Executive session, 1:00 PM, LOB 207
- [HB 1321](#) – establishing a committee to study the relationship between public funding of post secondary education and workforce development. Sponsors: (Prime) Robert Foose
 - 1/4/2012 – introduced and referred to the House Special Committee on Education Funding Reforms
 - 1/6/2012 – Public hearing, 10:00 AM, LOB 210-211
 - 2/3/2012 – Public hearing, continued, 9:15 AM, LOB 210-211, executive session will follow
 - 2/13/2012 – Full committee work session, 10:00 AM, LOB 207
- [HB1377](#) – requiring postsecondary education institutions to compile and submit reports on remedial education courses. (Prime) Gregory Hill, Spec Bowers, Kathleen Lauer-Rago, Sean Cox
 - This bill requires postsecondary education institutions to collect additional information on pupils taking remedial courses and requires the department of education to make the reports containing such information available to the public on its website.
 - 1/4/2012 – introduced and referred to the House Education Committee
 - 2/7/2012 – Public hearing, 10:30 AM, LOB 207
 - 2/9/2012 – Executive session, 1:00 PM, LOB 207
- [HB1383](#) - relative to residency status for purpose of receiving in-state tuition status within the university system of New Hampshire. (Prime) Joe Duarte, Paul Mirski, Daniel Tamburello, Laurence Rappaport, Sean Cox, Norman Tregenza, John Reagan
 - 1/4/2012 – to be introduced and referred to the House Education Committee
 - 1/19/2012 – Public hearing, 10:30 AM, LOB 207
 - 1/24/2012 – Committee voted 11-5 OTP/AM, [#0308h](#)
 - 2/1/2012 – House voted 250-88 OTP/AM, [#0308h](#), on a roll call vote
- [HB1417](#) – relative to a student’s freedom of association. (Prime) Shawn Jasper, David Bettencourt, David Welch, Jack Flanagan, Sharon Carson
 - This bill provides that no institution within the university or community college systems of New Hampshire shall prohibit, as a condition of admission or continued enrollment, any student from becoming a member of any group or organization.
 - 1/4/2012 – introduced and referred to the House Education Committee
 - 2/7/2012 – Public hearing, 1:30 PM, LOB 207
 - 2/9/2012 – Executive session, 1:00 PM, LOB 207

College access, continued

- [HB1697-FN-A](#) – establishing keno in New Hampshire.
 - *This bill competes with HB1698. It allows only charities to conduct keno games.*
 - 1/4/2012 – introduced and referred to House Commerce and Consumer Affairs Committee
 - 1/18/2012 – Vacated from House Commerce and Consumer Affairs Committee and Referred to House Ways and Means Committee
 - 2/9/2012 – Public hearing, 1:00 PM, LOB 202
 - 2/14/2012 – Executive session, 1:00 PM, LOB 202
- [HB1698-FN-A](#) – establishing keno and providing scholarship money to New Hampshire students. (Prime) Alfred Baldasaro, Andrew Renzullo, Elaine Swinford, Bill Ohm
 - 1/4/2012 – introduced and referred to House Commerce and Consumer Affairs Committee
 - 1/18/2012 – Vacated from House Commerce and Consumer Affairs Committee and Referred to House Ways and Means Committee
 - 2/9/2012 – Public hearing, 2:00 PM, LOB 202
 - 2/14/2012 – Executive session, 1:00 PM, LOB 202

Driver's education

- [HB1310](#) – increasing the number of days a motorcycle learner's permit is valid. (Prime) Pantelakos, Shurtleff
 - This bill increases from 30 to 90 the number of days a motorcycle learner's permit is valid.
 - 1/4/2012 – introduced and referred to the House Transportation Committee
 - 1/10/2012 – Public hearing, 11:45 AM, LOB 203
 - 2/7/2012 – Committee voted 14-0 OTP/AM, [#0517h](#)
 - 2/15/2012 – House vote scheduled, consent calendar
- [HB1440](#) – relative to driver education. (Prime) Laura Jones, Robert Williams, John Cloutier, Carol McGuire, Kyle Jones, Clifford Newton, Tara Sad, Mark Warden, John Hikel, Fenton Groen, James Forsythe, Jeanie Forrester
 - This bill permits a person who has attained the age of 15 and 1/2 years to fulfill the driver education requirement by enrolling in an online driver education course.
 - The prime sponsor is currently preparing an amendment to this bill to incorporate suggestions from the Department of Safety.
 - 1/4/2012 – introduced and referred to the House Transportation Committee
 - 1/31/2012 – Public hearing, 2:15 PM, LOB 203
- [HB1503-FN](#) – relative to motorcycle rider education. (Prime) Susan DeLemus, Daniel McGuire.
 - 1/4/2012 – introduced and referred to the House Transportation Committee
 - 1/31/2012 – Public hearing, 1:00 PM, LOB 203
 - 2/7/2012 – Committee voted 14-0 ITL
 - 2/15/2012 – House vote scheduled, consent calendar

Parental rights

- [CACR31](#) – Relating to parental rights. Providing parents have the natural right to control the health, education and welfare of their children. (Prime) Daniel Itse, Pamela Tucker, Paul Ingbretson, Paul Mirski, J.R. Hoell, Seth Cohn, Andrew Manuse
 - 1/4/2012 – introduced and referred to the House Children and Family Law Committee
 - 1/17/2012 – Public hearing, 10:00 AM, LOB 206
 - 2/10/2012 – Subcommittee work session, 2:30 PM, LOB 206
 - 2/16/2012 – Executive session, 10:00 AM, LOB 206
- LSR 2998 – relative to school district’s policy informing parents of bullying incidents. (Prime) James Forsythe, James Parison, Gregory Hill, Joseph Fleck, Jack Flanagan
 - I don’t know why the bill for this LSR has not yet been published

Child Protection Act, DCYF, CHINS, custody

- [CACR22](#) – Relating to the chief justice of the supreme court. Providing that the chief justice shall adopt court rules with the concurrence of the general court. (Prime) Daniel Itse, Paul Mirski, Paul Ingbreton, Jeffrey Oigny.
 - 1/4/2012 – introduced and referred to the House Judiciary Committee
 - 1/17/2012 – Public hearing, 11:30 AM, LOB 208
 - 2/14/2012 – Executive session, 10:00 AM, LOB 208
- [CACR26](#) – relating to administration of the supreme court. Providing that the article authorizing the chief justice of the supreme court to make rules governing the administration of all the courts in the state shall be repealed. (Prime) Paul Mirski, Gregory Sorg, Paul Ingbreton, Steven Winter, Steven Balboni, Timothy Comerford, George Lambert, Kenneth Weyler, Randall Brownrigg
 - 1/4/2012 – introduced and referred to the House Judiciary Committee
 - 2/2/2012 – Public hearing, 3:00 PM, LOB 208
 - 2/14/2012 – Executive session, 10:00 AM, LOB 208
- [HB151](#) - (New Title) repealing the laws relative to marital masters. (Prime) Robert Rowe, Jordan Ulery, Daniel Itse, Mary Gorman
 - 10/25/2011 – House Judiciary Committee voted 15-1 OTP/AM, [#2586h](#), new title, repealing the laws relative to marital masters.
 - 1/4/2012 – House voted OTP/AM on the consent calendar
- [HB296](#) - relative to procedures for juvenile delinquency petitions filed by a school district or school official. (Prime) Barbara Shaw
 - 10/18/2011 – House Education Committee voted 12-0 to refer the bill for interim study
 - 1/4/2012 – House voted to refer the bill for interim study on the consent calendar
- [HB1194](#) – relative to the text of Article 73-a of Part II of the New Hampshire Constitution.
 - 1/4/2012 – introduced and referred to the House Constitutional Review and Statutory Recodification Committee
 - 1/31/2012 – Public hearing, 2:00 PM, LOB 206
 - 2/14/2021 – Executive session, 2:30 PM, LOB 206
- [HB 1249](#) – relative to the child protection reporting law. (Prime) Jerry Bergevin, Joe Duarte, Donald LeBrun, Susan DeLemus, Connie Soucy, John Burt
 - This bill requires an employee or volunteer who suspects another employee or volunteer of child abuse to make a report under the state’s child abuse reporting law. The bill also establishes an enhanced criminal penalty for a supervisor who fails to report an employee or volunteer.
 - 1/4/2012 – introduced and referred to the House Criminal Justice and Public Safety Committee
 - 1/26/2012 – Public hearing 10:00 AM, LOB 204, executive session may follow
 - 2/14/2021 – Executive session, 2:30 PM, LOB 206
- [HB 1325](#) – relative to school attendance by children of divorced parents. (Prime) Mark Proulx
 - 1/4/2011 – introduced and referred to the House Education Committee
 - 1/12/2012 – Public hearing, 11:00 AM, LOB 207
 - 1/24/2012 – Committee voted 16-0 OTP/AM, [#0307h](#)
 - 2/1/2012 – House voted OTP/AM on the consent calendar, [#0307h](#)
 - 2/1/2012 – referred to House Children and Family Law Committee
- [HB 1408](#) – establishing a commission to study the judicial branch family division. (Prime) Jennifer Coffey, Alfred Baldasaro, Evalyn Merrick, Daniel Itse, Jeffrey Oigny, Carol McGuire, Sharon Carson
 - 1/4/2012 – introduced and referred to the House Judiciary Committee
 - 1/17/2012 – Public hearing, 3:30 PM, LOB 208
 - 1/19/2012 – Committee voted ITL 15-1
 - 2/1/2012 – House voted ITL on the consent calendar
- [HB1667-FN](#) – relative to the application of the juvenile laws to children up to the age of 18. (Prime) Mary Gile, Carolyn Gargas, Marjorie Porter, Edward Moran, Julie Brown
 - 1/4/2012 – introduced and referred to the House Criminal Justice and Public Safety Committee
 - 1/31/2012 – Public hearing, 1:00 PM, LOB 204, executive session to follow
 - 1/31/2012 – Committee voted 12-2 ITL

Child Protection Act, DCYF, CHINS, custody (continued)

- [SB380](#) – relative to the study committee on juvenile delinquency and children in need of services. (Prime) Lou D’Allesandro, Lawrence Kappler, Susan DeLemus
 - [HB168](#) in 2011 created the [Committee to Study the Juvenile Delinquency and Child in Need of Services Statutes](#). The committee filed its report, stating “Due to time constraints, the committee was unable to complete its study.”
 - 1/18/2012 – introduced and referred to Senate Health & Human Services Committee
 - 2/9//2012 – Public hearing, 1:00 PM, LOB 102 (*Audio available*)
 - 2/9/2012 – Committee voted 3-0 OTP

School improvement

- [HB1139](#) – making changes to the unique pupil identification system. (Prime) Gregory Hill, Ralph Boehm, Paul Ingbreton
 - This bill allows a parent, legal guardian, or pupil who is 18 years of age or older to have access to the unique pupil identifier, *allows home educated students to opt in for inclusion in the unique pupil identification system*, and repeals certain provisions relative to access to unique pupil identification data.
 - 1/4/2012 – introduced and referred to the House Education Committee
 - 1/31/2012 – Public hearing, 2:00 PM, LOB 207
 - 2/14/2012 – Executive session, 1:00 PM, LOB 207
- [HB1148](#) – requiring the teaching of evolution as a theory in public schools. (Prime) Jerry Bergevin
 - 1/4/2012 – introduced and referred to the House Education Committee
 - 2/14/2012 – Public hearing, 11:00 AM, LOB 207
 - 2/16/2012 – Executive session, 10:00 AM, LOB 207
- [HB1389](#) – relative to the pre-engineering technology curriculum and pre-engineering technology advisory council. (Prime) Norman Major
 - 1/4/2012 – introduced and referred to the House Education Committee
 - 2/7/2012 – Public hearing, 12:30 PM, LOB 207
 - 2/9/2012 – Executive session, 1:00 PM, LOB 207
- [HB1413-FN](#) – directing New Hampshire to withdraw from the No Child Left Behind Act. (Prime) Michael Weeden, Norman Tregenza, Shawn Jasper, J.R. Hoell
 - This bill provides that effective July 1, 2012, the state of New Hampshire shall cease its compliance with the No Child Left Behind Act of 2001.
 - 1/4/2012 – introduced and referred to the House Education Committee
 - 1/17/2012 – Public hearing, 11:00 AM, LOB 207
 - 1/24/2012 – Committee voted 12-4 OTP
 - 2/8/2012 – House voted 253-81 on a division vote to lay the bill on the table
- [HB1433](#) – relative to instruction for pupils on the issues of HIV, AIDS, and sexually transmitted diseases. (Prime) Michael Balboni
 - This bill requires the state board of education to assess the curriculum frameworks, curriculum materials, and other information provided by schools to pupils for instruction on HIV, AIDS, and sexually transmitted diseases and present its findings to the house and senate education committees for review.
 - 1/4/2012 – introduced and referred to the House Education Committee
 - 1/10/2012 – Public hearing, 1:00 PM, LOB 207
 - 1/19/2012 – Committee voted 13-3 OTP/AM, [#0153h](#)
 - 2/1/2012 – House voted OTP/AM on a voice vote, [#0153h](#)

School improvement, continued

- [HB1457](#) – relative to scientific inquiry in the public schools. (Prime) Gary Hopper
 - This bill requires instruction in the proper methods of scientific inquiry.
 - 1/4/2012 – introduced and referred to the House Education Committee
 - 2/9/2012 – Public hearing, 11:00 AM, LOB 207
 - 2/16/2012 – Executive session, 10:00 AM, LOB 207
- [HB1516-FN-L](#) – relative to the instruction of English and mathematics for pupils in kindergarten through grade 3. (Prime) Michael Balboni
 - This bill requires a revised program of instruction for English and mathematics for pupils in kindergarten through grade 3.
 - 1/4/2012 – introduced and referred to the House Education Committee
 - 1/31/2012 – Public hearing, 11:00 AM, LOB 207
 - 2/7/2012 – Subcommittee work session, 4:00 PM, LOB 207
 - 2/9/2012 – Subcommittee work session, LOB 207, following 1:00 PM executive session
- [HB1517-FN-L](#) – prohibiting the state and any political subdivision from entering any agreement implementing any provision of the No Child Left Behind Act without prior approval of the general court. (Prime) Michael Balboni
 - This bill:
 - I. Declares that all agreements, contracts, and memoranda of understanding involving the state board of education and the federal government regarding the Elementary and Secondary Education Act and its successor, the No Child Left Behind Act, are terminated.
 - II. Requires any future agreements, contracts, or memoranda of understanding entered into by the state of New Hampshire and the United States government regarding any aspect of early childhood, or secondary education to be approved by an act of the general court.
 - 1/4/2012 – introduced and referred to the House Education Committee
 - 1/17/2012 – Public hearing, 1:00 PM, LOB 207
 - 1/24/2012 – Committee voted 14-3 OTP
 - 2/9/2012 – House voted on a voice vote to lay the bill on the table
- [HB1703-FN](#) – requiring a course in business or financial literacy as a prerequisite for high school graduation. (Prime) Shaun Doherty, Sean McGuinness
 - 1/4/2012 – introduced and referred to the House Education Committee
 - 2/16/2012 – Public hearing, 2:00 PM, LOB 207
 - 2/21/2012 – Executive session, 10:00 AM, LOB 207
- [SB 316](#) – relative to compliance with school accountability requirements. (Prime) Jim Luther, Tom De Blois, Gary Lambert, Jack Flanagan, James Belanger
 - This bill repeals a provision of the school accountability statute which allows a school to fulfill the adequate education accountability requirements by demonstrating full accreditation from the New England Association of Schools and Colleges.
 - The policy this bill seeks to undo was created in [HB130 in 2011](#), which received a 16-0 recommendation of the House Education Committee, passed the House on a 349-21 vote, received a 4-0 recommendation of the Senate Education Committee, and passed the Senate on a voice vote.
 - 1/4/2012 – introduced and referred to the Senate Education Committee
 - 1/31/2012 – Public hearing, 1:40 PM, LOB 103

School funding

- [HB1309-FN-A](#) – establishing a special number plate to support public elementary and secondary schools. (Prime) Suzanne Smith, Mary Cooney, J. David Knox
 - This bill establishes a special number plate to support public elementary and secondary schools. Revenue from the plate is distributed to school districts to fund extracurricular literacy enrichment and fine arts programs.
 - 1/4/2012 – introduced and referred to the House Transportation Committee
 - 1/24/2012 – Public hearing, 10:00 AM, LOB 202, Executive session may follow
- [HB1473-FN-L](#) – relative to the calculation and distribution of adequate education grants. (Prime) David Hess
 - 1/4/2012 – introduced and referred to the House Special Committee on Education Funding Reform
 - 1/6/2012 – Public hearing, 10:30 AM, LOB 210-211
 - 2/14/2012 – Subcommittee work session, 9:00 AM, LOB 203
 - 2/14/2012 – Executive session, 2:30 PM, LOB 203
- [HB1564](#) – establishing a committee to study and recommend solutions for simplifying the calculation of the cost of public education through the combination of adequate education, school building aid, and catastrophic aid funding. (Prime) Robert Foose
 - 1/4/2012 – introduced and referred to the House Special Committee on Education Funding Reform
 - 2/3/2012 – Public hearing, 9:20 AM, LOB 210-211, executive session will follow
 - 2/13/2012 – Full committee work session, 10:10 AM, LOB 207
- [SB373-L](#) – authorizing the retention of funds by a school district. (Prime) James Forsythe, Sharon Carson, John Gallus, Gary Lambert, Jim Luther, Bob Odell, Nancy Stiles, Lynne Ober, Robert Malone
 - 1/4/2012 – to be introduced and referred to the Senate Education Committee
 - 1/31/2012 – Public hearing, 1:00 PM, LOB 103

Teacher certification

- [HB1467](#) – relative to educational requirements for teacher certification. (Prime) Lenette Peterson, Laura Jones
 - This bill requires that the minimum educational requirement to apply for certification as a teacher shall be the completion of a bachelor's degree in any field of study.
 - 1/4/2012 – introduced and referred to the House Education Committee
 - 2/14/2012 – Public hearing, 10:00 AM, LOB 207
 - 2/16/2012 – Executive session, 10:00 AM, LOB 207
- [HB1475](#) - relative to enforcement of interstate compacts. (Prime) Paul Mirski, Andrew Manuse, Paul Ingbreton, Dan McGuire, Joshua Davenport, Seth Cohn, Spec Bowers, Mark Warden, Daniel Itse
 - This bill prohibits state officials from enforcing any provision of an interstate compact which is based on another state's law or rule which has not been specifically approved by the New Hampshire legislature.
 - 1/4/2012 – introduced and referred to the House Constitutional Review and Statutory Recodification Committee
 - 1/31/2012 – Public hearing, 11:00 AM, LOB 206

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- [HB212](#) - relative to the definition of conflicts of interest of executive branch officials and employees. (Prime) William O'Brien, Timothy Comerford
 - 10/27/2011 – House Election Law Committee voted 15-4 for interim study, minority recommends ITL
 - 1/5/2012 – House voted to refer for interim study on a voice vote
- [HB1223-FN](#) – relative to remedies under the right-to-know law. (Prime) J. Brandon Guida, Rick Watrous, James Garrity, Joseph Pitre, Jeanine Notter, Donald LeBrun, Peter Hansen
 - This bill clarifies the remedies for violations of the right-to-know law.
 - 1/4/2012 – introduced and referred to the House Judiciary Committee
 - 1/12/2012 – Public hearing, 1:30 PM, LOB 208
 - 2/16/2012 – Executive session, 10:30 AM, LOB 208
- [HB 1308](#) – relative to the definition of “public body” under the right-to-know law. (Prime) Timothy Comerford, Seth Cohn, Rick Watrous, Laura Jones, Daniel Itse
 - This bill adds quasi-governmental bodies to the definition of “public body” under the right-to-know law.
 - 1/4/2012 – introduced and referred to the House Judiciary Committee
 - 1/12/2012 – Public hearing, 2:00 PM, LOB 208
 - 2/16/2012 – Executive session, 10:30 AM, LOB 208
- [HB1598](#) – relative to the definition of “meeting” under the right-to-know law. (Prime) Steve Vaillancourt
 - This bill clarifies the definition of “meeting” for purposes of the right-to-know law.
 - 1/4/2012 – introduced and referred to the House Judiciary Committee
 - 2/2/2012 – Public hearing, 3:30 PM, LOB 208
- [HB1714](#) – relative to the term “election” for the purposes of public meetings. (Prime) Joseph Pitre, Laura Jones, Kyle Jones, Frederick Leonard
 - 1/11/2012 – introduced and referred to House Election Law Committee
 - 1/26/2012 – Public hearing, 11:20 AM, LOB 308
 - 2/14/2012 – Executive session, 2:00 PM, LOB 308