### GOVERNOR AND LEGISLATIVE LEADERSHIP LEGISLATIVE AGENDA



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## 2018

Policies that enhance job creation, eliminate economic uncertainty and make New Hampshire more competitive will continue to be a top priority of Concord. We will actively support policies that get Granite Staters working again. We will take further steps to assure current businesses and future entrepreneurs that New Hampshire will not stifle their ability to compete and thrive. New Hampshire is open for business.

New Hampshire's citizens are over-licensed and our businesses are overburdened with needless regulations, preventing Granite State enterprises from reaching their full potential. Scaling back stifling regulations will be a top priority while making sure new legislation will not expand these burdens and impede businesses from being successful.

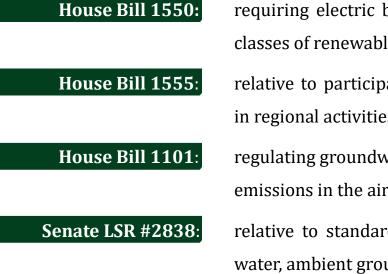
# House Bill 1100: House Bill 1685: Senate Bill 301: Senate Bill 462:

establishing a commission to review and evaluate workforce and job training in New Hampshire. establishing an agency to have oversight over occupational licensing.

temporarily reducing the real estate transfer tax for firsttime home buyers.

relative to occupational licensure, certification, or registration for persons with criminal records, and relative to license applicants for barbering, cosmetology, esthetics, and manicuring. We are committed to ensuring that New Hampshire's natural beauty, which is critical to our quality of life, is conserved and enhanced for the next generation. We will continue to ensure a free and fair market. No group or individual should be allowed to forgo the costs and responsibility of their actions, as this violating the principles of fairness and destroys our shared environment. We are committed to striking the right balance between commerce, recreation, and conservation. There is no greater trust in Government than when you turn your tap to get a glass of water and citizens can be confident that they are drinking safe, clean water. We are striving to maintain high standards for water and air quality in New Hampshire that Granite Staters demand.

New Hampshire has among the highest energy costs in the nation. Energy is a foundational issue that touches almost every aspect of the state's economic wellbeing. Everyone – from low-income families to seniors on fixed incomes to the businesses that power our economy – suffers when energy prices are expensive and volatile. We must focus our attention on making our energy system stable, sustainable, and cost effective in the long-term and create an environment where our ratepayers can thrive.



requiring electric bills to include the rates and costs for classes of renewable energy.

relative to participation by the public utility commission in regional activities.

regulating groundwater pollution caused by polluting emissions in the air.

relative to standards for perfluorochemicals in drinking water, ambient groundwater, and surface water.

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#### **Government Reform & Social Responsibility**

Ensuring that our statutes reflect our modern society and contemporary values is critical to the relevancy of government. We continue to modernize our laws and institutions to ensure the Granite Staters have the strong rights and protections they deserve.

House Bill 1426:	requiring persons convicted of nonconsensual
	dissemination of private sexual images to register as a sexual offender.
House Bill 1103:	relative to financial responsibility for voluntary services
	provided pursuant to a report of abuse or neglect that is
	"unfounded but with reasonable concern."
Senate Bill 488:	relative to licensure of health care professionals employed
	at the Manchester Veterans Affairs Medical Center
Senate LSR 2835:	Continued Mental Health Reform
Senate LSR 2819:	Continued DCYF and Foster Care Reform

#### **Educational Excellence**

Government cannot guarantee everything, but we can, and must guarantee equal opportunity. An opportunity to succeed, grow, and reach one's full potential. We are committed to advancing policies that achieve education excellence. In doing so, we recognize that a greater degree of local control, competition, and choice in education is essential and money alone will not improve the system.

House Bill 1686:
House Bill 1722:
House Bill 1674:
Senate Bill 437:

allowing contributions to scholarship organizations as a credit against the interest and dividends tax.

Charter School Property Tax Exemption

Relative to computer science and digital skills required for an adequate education.

relative to the robotics education development program.

#### **Opioid Crisis & Public Safety**

The substance misuse crisis in New Hampshire remains, indisputably, our state's most serious issue – one that demands great attention and proactive leadership. Our mission to reverse the terrible effects of this epidemic rests on our ability as leaders to embrace a spirit of cooperation, innovation, and compassion when we craft solutions to meet the needs of our families, friends, and neighbors. To address capacity issues related to the shortage of behavioral health professionals on the state, we are supporting student loan repayment. To create a clearer picture of medically assisted treatment for opioid addiction in New Hampshire, we are supporting that DHHS hire an addictionologist (MD) to review the State's MAT programs and advise on best practices moving forward.

Senate Bill 375: House Bill 1102: Senate LSR 2888:

establishing a committee to study the consolidation of the board of mental health practice and the board of licensing for alcohol and other drug use professionals.

enabling the department of health and human services to enter into a contract with an Academy Society of Addiction Medicine certified physician

establishing a recovery friendly workplace initiatives tax credit against business taxes administered by the community development finance authority

