

2019 Legislative Session

HOUSE BILLS

LSR/ BILL #	PRIME SPONSOR	TITLE	ANALYSIS	COMMITTEE	STATUS	POSITION
HB 179	Rep Schmidt	Establishing a New Hampshire health access corporation.	This bill establishes a New Hampshire health access corporation and health access fund.	Commerce	Committee Report: Inexpedient to Legislate (Vote 18-0; CC)	Oppose
HB 180	Rep Schmidt	Establishing a commission to examine the feasibility of the New England states entering into a compact for a single payer health care program.	This bill establishes a commission to examine the feasibility of the New England states entering into a compact for a single payer health care program.	Commerce	Committee Report: Inexpedient to Legislate (Vote 18-0; CC)	Oppose
HB 211	Rep Schmidt	Relative to inquiries by prospective employers concerning salary history.	This bill prohibits an employer from requiring a prospective employee to disclose his or her salary history prior to an offer of employment.	Labor	House: Passed	Oppose
HB 227	Rep Komi	Relative to the length of time an employer may lease an employee through an employee leasing company.	This bill limits the length of time that a person may work for an employee leasing company.	Labor	Killed	Oppose
HB 233	Rep Butler	Relative to the group and individual health insurance market.	This bill establishes the provisions of the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act of 2009, Public Law 111-148, as amended in statute.	Commerce		Oppose
HB 252	Rep Seaworth	Establishing a committee to study certain labor statutes.	This bill establishes a committee to study certain labor statutes and labor department rules.	Labor		Monitor
HB 253	Rep Cahill	Relative to criminal records checks in the employee application process.	This bill prohibits employers from asking a job applicant about his or her criminal history prior to an interview.	Labor	House: Passed	Oppose
HB 257	Rep Hunt	Relative to purchasing alliances.	This bill declares that health coverage purchased through a qualified purchasing alliance shall be considered by the department of insurance to be large group coverage. The bill also clarifies certain laws relative to purchasing alliances.	Commerce	Retained in Committee	Support

HB 272	Rep Schmidt	Relative to temporary workers.	This bill establishes notification and disclosure provisions for the hiring of temporary workers.	Labor	House: Passed	Monitor
HB 277	Rep Knirk	Establishing a commission to study a public option for health insurance.	This bill establishes a commission to study a public option program for health insurance in New Hampshire	Commerce		Monitor
HB 278	Rep Butler	Relative to the New Hampshire insurance department's annual hearing requirement.	This bill updates the insurance commissioner's annual public hearing requirement relative to premium rates.	Commerce	Committee Report: Ought to Pass with Amendment #2019-0064h (Vote 18-0; CC)	Support
HB 285	Rep McBeath	Relative to filing and approval of rates and rating plans applicable to workers' compensation.	This bill declares that when approved by the insurance commissioner, workers' compensation rates are open to public inspection.	Labor	House: Passed	Support
HB 292	Rep Butler	Relative to including brokers fees in the calculation of the insurance premium tax.	This bill includes brokers fees in the calculation of the insurance premium tax.	Commerce	Committee Report: Ought to Pass with Amendment #2019-0074h (Vote 14-4; RC)	Oppose
HB 293	Rep. Cushing	Relative to employee credit privacy.	This bill prohibits employers from using credit history in employment decisions.	Labor		Oppose
HB 337	Rep Bartlett	Relative to property and casualty insurance.	This bill makes certain changes in the laws relative to property and casualty insurance.	Commerce	House: Passed	Support
HB 338	Rep Bartlett	Relative to rebates under the law governing unfair insurance practices.	This bill moves the exceptions to rebating from RSA 402 to the law regulating unfair insurance practices for purposes of clarity.	Commerce	Committee Report: Ought to Pass with Amendment #2019-0076h (Vote 18-0; CC)	Support
HB 339	Rep Bartlett	Relative to commercial modernization.	This bill makes changes to the laws governing property and casualty insurance, specifically commercial modernization.	Commerce	House: Passed	Support
HB 341	Rep McBeath	Relative to insurance investigations.	This bill clarifies what the insurance commissioner may disclose to an insured or claimant who has made a complaint against an insurer during an investigation	Commerce	Killed	Monitor

HB 342	Rep McBeath	Relative to insurance examinations.	This bill clarifies the disclosure of reports and other information related to workers' compensation audits to the department of labor.	Commerce	House: Passed	Support
HB 346	Rep. Meuse	Relative to noncompete agreements.	This bill governs noncompete agreements between employers and employee	Labor	Retained in Committee	Oppose
HB 347	Rep Hunt	Adding insurer's policy administration expenses to commercial rate standards.	This bill adds insurer's policy administration expenses to commercial rate standards.	Commerce	House: Passed	Support
HB 432	Rep Williams	Relative to automobile insurance reimbursement rates.	This bill clarifies automobile insurance reimbursement rates for repair of damaged vehicles. This bill is a result of the committee to study reimbursement rates under automobile insurance polices, established by 2018, 13.	Commerce		Monitor
HB 433	Rep Hunt	Relative to foreign insurance companies.	This bill inserts a definition section for clarity and requires certain foreign insurance companies to file a report with the insurance commissioner relative to all surplus lines insurance transacted by the insurer for insurance risks in this state.	Commerce	House: Passed	Monitor
HB 532	Rep Cahill	Relative to payment for earned but unused vacation time.	This bill requires an employer to pay its employees for earned but unused vacation or personal time. The bill also requires employers to pay terminated employees for vacation time and personal time.	Labor	Retained in Committee	Oppose
HB 586	Rep. Torosian	Relative to lender-placed insurance on motor vehicles.	This bill establishes the creditor-placed insurance act.	Commerce		Monitor
HB 604	Rep Knick	Establishing a commission to assess benefits and costs of a "health care for all" program for New Hampshire.	This bill establishes a commission to study the benefits and cost of a "health care for all" program for New Hampshire.	Commerce	==CONTINUED== Executive Session: 02/21/2019 02:00 pm LOB 302	Monitor
HB 606	Rep Butler	Relative to certain insurance licensing statutes.	This bill updates certain insurance licensing statutes	Commerce	Committee Report: Ought to Pass with Amendment #2019- 0177h (Vote 17-1; CC)	Support
HB 607	Rep Butler	Relative to life and health insurance.	This bill recodifies provisions of law regarding medically necessary dental services from medical underwriting to the RSA chapters governing health insurance. This bill also changes the date when continuing care communities must submit an annual report.	Commerce	Committee Report: Ought to Pass (Vote 18- 0; CC)	Monitor

HB 613	Rep Leishman	Relative to mandatory automobile insurance.	This bill requires proof of motor vehicle liability insurance in order to register a motor vehicle.	Commerce	Retained in Committee	Oppose
HB 620	Rep Hunt	Relative to the penalty fee structure for late premium tax payments.	This bill establishes a graduated fee schedule for payment of the insurance premium tax.	Commerce	Committee Report: Ought to Pass for 02/27/2019 (Vote 19-1; CC)	Support
HB 654	Rep Butler	Relative to surety required on construction loans.	This bill grants discretion to the housing finance authority to require bonds, bond equivalents, or any other surety to assure performance on contracts awarded.	Commerce		Oppose
HB 656	Rep Butler	Establishing a commission to study the impact of financial initiatives for commercially insured members by drug manufacturers on prescription drug prices and health insurance premiums.	This bill establishes a commission to study the impact of financial initiatives for commercially insured members by drug manufacturers on prescription drug prices and health insurance premiums.	Commerce		Monitor
HB 657	Rep Butler	Relative to the lowest cost option in the formulary under the managed care law.	This bill requires health plans offering prescription drug benefits under the managed care law to include on the formulary the drug with the lowest cost option for the insured.	Commerce		Monitor
HB 658	Rep Butler	Relative to price increases of drugs under the managed care law.	This bill clarifies the content of provider contract standards under the managed care law.	Commerce		Monitor
HB 659	Rep Butler	Relative to reporting of internal pharmaceutical costs.	This bill requires the insurance commissioner to request data from health carriers regarding prescription drug benefits which are outsourced to a pharmacy benefit manager or similar entity as part of the preparation for the department's annual hearing requirement.	Commerce		Monitor
HB 664	Rep Williams	Relative to vehicle repair standards.	This bill requires an insurer to reimburse an automobile repairer for all repairs if the repairer follows an original equipment manufacturer recommended collision repair procedures.	Commerce		Monitor
HB 670	Rep Butler	Relative to the cost of prescription drugs.	This bill requires health insurance carriers to maintain certain information relative to prescription drug costs within their data systems for purposes of the managed care law.	Commerce		Monitor
HB 681	Rep Flanagan	Requiring insurance companies writing commercial insurance to report unpaid premiums to a third party.	This bill requires insurance companies licensed to do business in this state to report unpaid premiums to a third party.	Commerce		Monitor

HB 685	Rep Luneau	Relative to ambulance billing, payment for reasonable value of services, and prohibition on balance billing.	This bill clarifies ambulance billing under the law governing emergency and medical trauma services.	Commerce		Oppose
HB 697	Rep Schmidt	Relative to Medicare for all.	This bill establishes a single payer health care system to provide health care for the citizens of New Hampshire.	Commerce	Committee Report: Inexpedient to Legislate (Vote 18-0; CC)	Oppose
HB 712	Rep Wallner	Relative to a family and medical leave insurance program.	This bill establishes a system of paid family and medical leave insurance.	Commerce	Majority Committee Report: Ought to Pass with Amendment #2019-0418h (Vote 12-6; RC)	Oppose
HB 717	Rep. Schmidt	Prohibiting prescription drug manufacturers from offering coupons or discounts to cover insurance copayments or deductibles.	This bill prohibits with limited exceptions, prescription drug manufacturers from offering coupons or discounts to cover insurance copayments, or deductibles.	Commerce	Public Hearing: 03/05/2019 02:30 pm LOB 302	Monitor
HB 724	Rep Read	Relative to certain rights of employees.	This bill bans credit checks for any employment-related decision, requires employers to allow a certain amount of rest between work shifts, gives employees advance notice of work schedules, and increases the minimum hourly rate of tipped employees to the minimum hourly rate for all employees	Labor		Oppose

SENATE BILLS

LSR/ BILL #	PRIME SPONSOR	TITLE	ANALYSIS	COMMITTEE	STATUS	POSITION
SB 1	Sen Feltes	Relative to the group and individual health insurance market.	This bill establishes a system of paid family and medical leave insurance.	Finance	Committee Report: Ought to Pass with Amendment #2019- 0321s, 02/14/2019; SC 10	Oppose
SB 4	Sen Feltes	Relative to family and medical leave.	This bill establishes the provisions of the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act of 2009, Public Law 111-148, as amended in statute.	Health and Human Services		Oppose
SB 10		establishing the state minimum hourly rate based on whether an employer offers paid sick days to an employee.	This bill sets the minimum hourly rate paid to employees based on whether or not the employer offers paid sick days to an employee.	Commerce		Monitor
SB 54	Sen Bradley	Relative to the road toll bond requirements for licensed fuel distributors.	This bill allows for an exemption for certain licensed fuel distributors from obtaining a surety bond for road toll liability.	Transportation	Senate: Passed	Oppose
SB 59	Sen Birdsell	Adding post traumatic stress disorder and acute stress disorder to the definition of "injury" for purposes of workers' compensation and reestablishing the commission to study the incidence of post-traumatic stress disorder in first responders.	This bill adds post-traumatic stress disorder and acute stress disorder to the definition of "injury" for purposes of workers' compensation. This bill also reestablishes the commission to study the incidence of post-traumatic stress disorder in first responders and whether such disorder should be covered under workers' compensation.	Commerce	Senate: Passed	Oppose
SB 64	Rep Morgan	Relative to anti-fraud plans maintained by insurance companies.	This bill requires that insurance companies submit their written antifraud plan to the commissioner of the department of insurance, upon request.	Commerce		Monitor
SB 99	Sen Cababaugh	Relative to gainful employment and partial disability in workers' compensation.	This bill clarifies the definition of gainful employment for purposes of workers' compensation. This bill also clarifies compensation for temporary partial disability and permanent partial disability.	Commerce	Committee Report: Ought to Pass, 03/07/2019; SC 12	Oppose
SB 100	Sen Fletes	Relative to discrimination in employment based on criminal background checks.	This bill prohibits discrimination in employment based on criminal background checks.	Commerce		Oppose

SB 150	Sen Starr	Authorizing individuals and certain businesses to purchase health insurance from out-of-state companies.	This bill authorizes individuals and certain businesses to purchase health insurance from out-of-state companies. The bill grants rulemaking authority to the insurance commissioner for the purposes of the bill.	Commerce		Monitor
SB 151	Sen Feltes	Establishing an administrative hearing procedure and penalty for an employer who fails to make payment of wages or who fails to secure workers' compensation coverage.	This bill establishes an administrative hearing procedure and penalty for employers who fail to make payment of wages as required by law and for employers who fail to secure required workers' compensation coverage.	Commerce	Senate: Passed	Monitor
SB 189	Sen Kahn	Relative to the insurance premium tax.	This bill establishes a flat rate on surplus lines policies for purposes of the insurance premium tax.	Ways and Means	Senate: Passed	Monitor
SB 194	Rep Morgan	Relative to the insurance data security law.	This bill establishes the insurance data security law.	Commerce		Monitor
SB 195	Sen Kahn	Relative to insurance continuing education.	This bill changes the manner in which the commissioner pays the expenses of compensating the continuing education advisory councils. This bill also adds submission fees for continuing education courses.	Commerce	Senate: Passed	Support
SB 197	Sen Watters	Relative to noncompete agreements for low-wage employees.	This bill prohibits an employer from requiring a low-wage employee to enter into a noncompete agreement.	Commerce	Senate: Passed	Monitor
SB250	Rep Morgan	Relative to forgery of a certificate of insurance.	This bill makes issuance of a fake or counterfeit certificate of insurance a felony offense.	Commerce	Senate: Passed	Monitor
SB251	Sen Kahn	Relative to the life and health insurance guaranty association.	This bill makes changes recommended by the National Association of Insurance Commissioners to their model law on the Life and Health Insurance Guaranty Association of 1996.	Commerce		Monitor
SB316	Sen Hennessey	Relative to the protection of personal information.	This bill establishes criminal penalties for failure to protect another person's personal information.	Judiciary		Monitor
CACR 10	Rep Schamberg	Relating to a state income tax. Providing that revenue from any state income tax shall be returned to the cities, towns, school districts, and counties to assist in property tax relief.	This constitutional amendment concurrent resolution provides that if an income tax is enacted in the state it can only be for the purpose of reducing real estate property taxes by the amount raised.	Ways and Means		Oppose

KILLED BILLS

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