

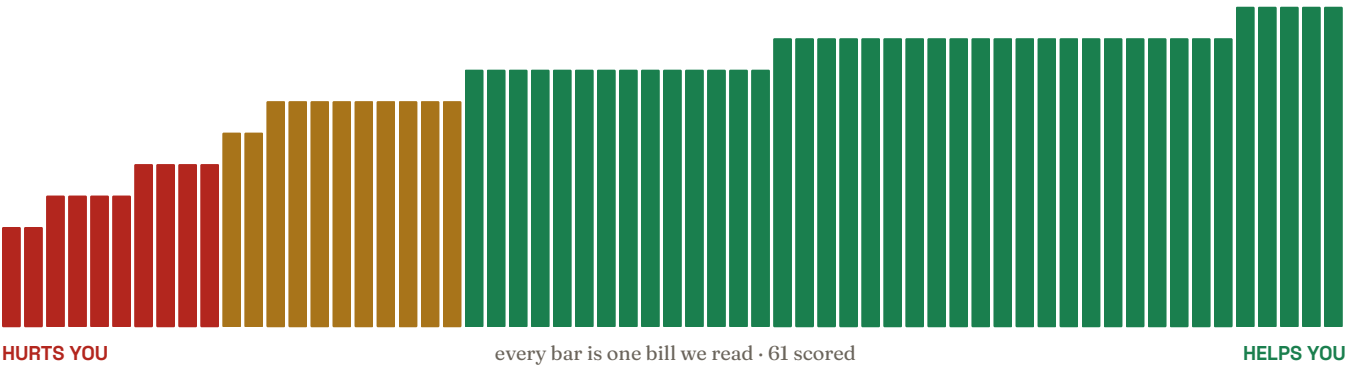


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New Hampshire Bill Book

2026

The New Hampshire bills that matter most, each scored 1–10 on one question: does it help everyday people, or the interests behind it?



Our take on the left. The bill on the right. Room for your notes.

Every spread is one bill, twice.

On the **left** is our take: the Billometer score, what the bill means for you, and the factor-by-factor reasoning behind that score. On the **right** is the bill on the record: its official title, its status, where to read the real text, and space for your own notes.

THE BILLOMETER

One number, 1 to 10, answering a single question: does this help everyday people or hurt them? 1–4 hurts, 5–6 is mixed, 7–10 helps. It is our editorial judgement — which is exactly why every page shows the reasoning behind it. If you disagree with a score, you can see precisely where you disagree.

HOW THESE BILLS WERE CHOSEN

Ranked, not cherry-picked. This edition prints the 10 lowest-scoring and 10 highest-scoring of the 61 New Hampshire bills we have fully analysed. A bill only qualifies if it passed our verification step, has a recorded official status, and has its reasoning attached. Thin entries are left out rather than padded. Note that only 143 bills in the entire country score 3 or below, so in most places the bottom of the list is not evil — it is merely mixed, and we label it that way.

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10 worst, 10 best

THE WORST — LOWEST SCORING

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- 8/10** HB1231 **The Patients Insurance Bill** — New bill helps patients see what their insurance pays
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The Business Profits Bill

Bill wipes out the main tax on business profits

NH HB1546 • Money & Damages

2/10

OBLITERATE

Hurts everyday people



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WHAT THIS MEANS FOR YOU

New Hampshire uses the business profits tax to help pay for public schools and state services. This bill would completely delete that tax. If profitable companies stop paying their share, the state will lose a huge amount of money. That means regular people will either have to pay higher local taxes to make up the difference, or they will lose important state programs. It is a massive giveaway to big companies at the expense...

WHY IT SCORES 2/10 — THE RECEIPTS

Who Bears the Cost (hurts) — Shifts the tax burden away from profitable businesses..

By repealing the business profits tax, the state loses a major revenue source, leaving...

Funding Tilt (hurts) — Massive financial giveaway to corporations..

The bill completely eliminates the tax that businesses pay on their profits, keeping that...

FOLLOW THE MONEY

Pushing for it: Profitable businesses

Bearing the cost: State of New Hampshire and public schools

WHO'S BEHIND IT

Republican-sponsored (2R / 0D)

Repealing the business profits tax.

Introduced · recorded 2025-12-10

This bill would completely cancel the state tax on business profits, which means big companies would pay less while regular people might face cuts to public services.

Big Business

Official text (NH HB1546) —

https://gc.nh.gov/bill_status/legacy/bs2016/bill_status.aspx?lsr=2789&sy=2026&sortoption=&txtsessionyear=2026&txtbillnumber=HB1546

LegiScan – HB1546 – <https://legiscan.com/NH/bill/HB1546/2026>

Live status, community verdicts and how your own reps voted — www.obillerate.com/bill/nh-hb1546-057742

The Tries Wipe Bill

New Hampshire tries to wipe out its business tax

NH HB1629 • Money & Damages

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WHAT THIS MEANS FOR YOU

When a state wipes out a major tax on businesses, that money has to come from somewhere else. This bill would erase the Business Enterprise Tax. The text shows this tax currently helps pay for the state education trust fund. If businesses stop paying their share, regular taxpayers will eventually have to make up the difference or watch their local schools lose funding. It is a massive giveaway to companies at the expense of...

WHY IT SCORES 2/10 — THE RECEIPTS

Who Bears the Cost (hurts) — Shifts the tax burden away from businesses and onto regular taxpayers..

Repeals the Business Enterprise Tax entirely.

Funding Tilt (hurts) — Directly cuts funding for public schools..

Section 1 removes the business tax from the list of money that goes into the education...

FOLLOW THE MONEY

Pushing for it: Businesses in New Hampshire

Bearing the cost: The education trust fund

WHO'S BEHIND IT

Republican-sponsored (1R / 0D)

Repealing the business enterprise tax.

Introduced · recorded 2025-12-10

This bill would completely cancel the state tax on businesses, which means less money for public schools and a bigger tax burden on regular people.

Big Business

Official text (NH HB1629) —

https://gc.nh.gov/bill_status/legacy/bs2016/bill_status.aspx?lsr=3001&sy=2026&sortoption=&txtsessionyear=2026&txtbillnumber=HB1629

LegiScan – HB1629 – <https://legiscan.com/NH/bill/HB1629/2026>

Live status, community verdicts and how your own reps voted — www.obillerate.com/bill/nh-hb1629-057748

The Homeowners Skip Bill

New bill lets homeowners skip paying for local tax credits

NH HB1400 • Housing & Property

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WHAT THIS MEANS FOR YOU

If the bill passes, towns may have less money for tax credit programs, hurting people who count on them. Property owners who don't want to fund those credits can keep more of their tax bill. This is a chance to influence the debate while the bill is still in committee.

WHY IT SCORES 3/10 — THE RECEIPTS

- Accountability (hurts)** — opt-out reduces oversight.
Owners can skip contributing to tax credits, less public scrutiny
- Rights & Protections (helps)** — gives owners choice.
Allows owners to opt out of funding credits
- Who Bears the Cost (hurts)** — shifts cost to remaining taxpayers.
Those who stay in must cover credit costs
- Process Transparency (neutral)** — no change.
Form filing requirement is clear

WHO'S BEHIND IT

Republican-sponsored (7R / 0D)

Creating a property tax exemption and credit opt-out mechanism.

Introduced · recorded 2025-12-04

Property owners could fill out a form each year to avoid funding any local tax credit or exemption, unless they already receive one.

Everyday People

Official text (NH HB1400) —

https://gc.nh.gov/bill_status/legacy/bs2016/bill_status.aspx?lsr=3233&sy=2026&sortoption=&txtsessionyear=2026&txtbillnumber=HB1400

LegiScan – HB1400 – <https://legiscan.com/NH/bill/HB1400/2026>

Live status, community verdicts and how your own reps voted — www.obillerate.com/bill/nh-hb1400-056477

The Students Education Bill

Students barred from receiving two education aid programs at once

NH HB1803 • Consumer Protection

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WHAT THIS MEANS FOR YOU

Families could lose a source of help for school costs, while the state avoids paying twice for the same student; now is the chance to speak up before it passes.

WHY IT SCORES 3/10 — THE RECEIPTS

- Accountability** (neutral) — No new oversight mechanisms added.
The bill simply adds an eligibility restriction without creating new reporting or...
- Rights & Protections** (hurts) — Removes ability to get both aid programs.
Students lose the right to receive two sources of education funding in the same year.
- Who Bears the Cost** (hurts) — Cost shift to families.
Families may receive less financial support because they cannot stack the two programs.
- Process Transparency** (neutral) — Limited transparency.
The bill does not require additional public reporting on how eligibility is checked.

WHO'S BEHIND IT

Democrat-sponsored (OR / 8D)

HOW THEY VOTED

House · 2026-02-19 — passed
Yes 189R/2D · No 2R/155D

Rendering a recipient of an education tax credit scholarship ineligible to receive education freedom account funds in the same program year.

Introduced · recorded 2025-12-18

The bill would stop a student who gets an education tax credit scholarship from also getting money from the education freedom account in the same year.

Government Power

Official text (NH HB1803) —

https://gc.nh.gov/bill_status/legacy/bs2016/bill_status.aspx?lsr=2834&sy=2026&sortoption=&txtsessionyear=2026&txtbillnumber=HB1803

LegiScan — HB1803 — <https://legiscan.com/NH/bill/HB1803/2026>

Live status, community verdicts and how your own reps voted — www.obillerate.com/bill/nh-hb1803-060177

The Rentals & Meals Bill

New tax on boat rentals and meals hits diners

NH HB1090 • Money & Damages

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WHAT THIS MEANS FOR YOU

Consumers could see higher prices when renting boats or buying meals, while the state gains more education money; now is the time to speak up before the tax takes effect.

WHY IT SCORES 3/10 — THE RECEIPTS

- Accountability** (neutral) — no change.
Bill does not alter oversight mechanisms.
- Rights & Protections** (neutral) — no impact.
Does not affect legal rights.
- Who Bears the Cost** (hurts) — cost shift.
Tax added to rentals and meals, passed to consumers.
- Process Transparency** (neutral) — no change.
Procedures unchanged.

FOLLOW THE MONEY

Pushing for it: State education trust fund
Bearing the cost: Consumers

WHO'S BEHIND IT

Democrat-sponsored (OR / 1D)

Relative to meals and rooms taxes.

Engrossed · recorded 2026-02-25

The bill would add an 8.5% tax on boat rentals and make restaurants round meal taxes up to the nearest nickel, raising costs for everyday shoppers.

Government Power

Official text (NH HB1090) —

https://gc.nh.gov/bill_status/legacy/bs2016/bill_status.aspx?lsr=2527&sy=2026&sortoption=&txtsessionyear=2026&txtbillnumber=HB1090

LegiScan – HB1090 – <https://legiscan.com/NH/bill/HB1090/2026>

Live status, community verdicts and how your own reps voted — www.obillerate.com/bill/nh-hb1090-054189

The Class Credit Bill

Schools must give class credit for outside religious lessons

NH HB1628 • Your Right to Sue

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WHAT THIS MEANS FOR YOU

This bill blurs the line between public schools and private religion. It forces schools to give academic credit for outside religious classes. If a school refuses, the group running the class can sue the school for money. That means taxpayer dollars meant for public education could end up paying for lawsuits and legal fees.

WHY IT SCORES 3/10 — THE RECEIPTS

- Accountability (helps)** — Creates a new way to sue schools.
The bill allows people to sue school districts if they do not follow the new rules.
- Rights & Protections (hurts)** — Forces schools to endorse outside classes.
Public schools are required to award academic credit for religious courses taught by...
- Who Bears the Cost (hurts)** — Taxpayers pay for school lawsuits.
School districts can be sued for monetary damages and attorney fees, which would be paid...
- Process Transparency (neutral)** — Neutral process.
The bill requires schools to set up clear policies for how to handle these requests.

FOLLOW THE MONEY

Pushing for it: Religious organizations
Bearing the cost: Public school districts

WHO'S BEHIND IT

Republican-sponsored (1R / 0D)

Requiring schools to provide excused absences for certain religious instruction, defining released time courses, and permitting schools to adopt policies and provide credit for released time courses.

Introduced · recorded 2025-12-10

This bill would force public schools to let students leave during the day for religious classes and give them school credit for it.

Religious organizations

Official text (NH HB1628) —

https://gc.nh.gov/bill_status/legacy/bs2016/bill_status.aspx?lsr=2949&sy=2026&sortoption=&txtsessionyear=2026&txtbillnumber=HB1628

LegiScan — HB1628 — <https://legiscan.com/NH/bill/HB1628/2026>

Live status, community verdicts and how your own reps voted — www.obillerate.com/bill/nh-hb1628-057558

The Cyclists Fifty Bill

New bike fee would charge cyclists fifty dollars each year

NH HB1703 · Money & Damages

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WHAT THIS MEANS FOR YOU

Cyclists will face a new yearly cost and possible fines, while the state will get money to build and keep bike routes, so riders must decide if the benefit outweighs the expense now.

WHY IT SCORES 4/10 — THE RECEIPTS

- Accountability (hurts)** — adds registration requirement.
creates new enforcement and penalties
- Rights & Protections (hurts)** — removes free riding right.
requires registration to use public paths
- Who Bears the Cost (hurts)** — shifts cost to cyclists.
fees and fines paid by riders
- Process Transparency (neutral)** — bill still early, limited detail.
no clear oversight on fee use

FOLLOW THE MONEY

Pushing for it: State Department of Transportation

Bearing the cost: Cyclists

WHO'S BEHIND IT

Republican-sponsored (3R / 0D)

Relative to establishing a registration fee for bicycles and electric bicycles using state or municipally funded bike paths, trails, or roadways.

Introduced · recorded 2025-12-12

The bill would make every bike and ebike rider pay \$50 a year and a \$100 fine if they don't register, using the money for bike paths.

Government Power

Official text (NH HB1703) —

https://gc.nh.gov/bill_status/legacy/bs2016/bill_status.aspx?lsr=3158&sy=2026&sortoption=&txtsessionyear=2026&txtbillnumber=HB1703

LegiScan — HB1703 — <https://legiscan.com/NH/bill/HB1703/2026>

Live status, community verdicts and how your own reps voted — www.obillerate.com/bill/nh-hb1703-058401

The Public Employees Bill

Public employees must get complaint notice within five business days

NH HB1150 • Work & Wages

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OBLITERATE

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WHAT THIS MEANS FOR YOU

Citizens should watch this bill because it could force whistleblowers to lose anonymity, making it harder to report government wrongdoing, while giving employees quick notice that may affect their jobs.

WHY IT SCORES 4/10 — THE RECEIPTS

- Accountability (helps)** — Increases employer accountability by requiring notice.
Employers must inform employees of complaints promptly.
- Rights & Protections (hurts)** — Reduces whistleblower anonymity.
Requires disclosure of complainant identity unless specific exceptions apply.
- Who Bears the Cost (neutral)** — Costs fall on employers, not consumers.
Employers may pay civil fines for noncompliance.
- Process Transparency (helps)** — Makes complaint process more open.
Employees receive written notice of complaints.

WHO'S BEHIND IT

Republican-sponsored (1R / 0D)

Requiring disclosure of complaints to public employees within 5 business days.

Introduced · recorded 2025-12-01

Public employers would have to tell employees about any complaint against them within five business days, unless the law blocks it.

Everyday People

Official text (NH HB1150) —

https://gc.nh.gov/bill_status/legacy/bs2016/bill_status.aspx?lsr=2369&sy=2026&sortoption=&txtsessionyear=2026&txtbillnumber=HB1150

LegiScan – HB1150 – <https://legiscan.com/NH/bill/HB1150/2026>

Live status, community verdicts and how your own reps voted — www.obillerate.com/bill/nh-hb1150-054186

New Hampshire wants to raise taxes on eating out

NH HB1480 • Money & Damages

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WHAT THIS MEANS FOR YOU

This bill asks regular people to pay a little more when they eat out or take a trip. The extra half-percent tax would cost you a few extra cents on a burger, but it adds up to millions of dollars for the state. Supporters say the money helps fund schools and local towns. Critics say things are already expensive enough without another tax hike. Since the bill is still moving through the legislature, now is the time to tell...

WHY IT SCORES 4/10 — THE RECEIPTS

- Who Bears the Cost (hurts)** — Consumers pay the tax.
The bill directly increases the tax rate that everyday people pay at the register for...
- Funding Tilt (helps)** — Raises state revenue.
The tax hike brings in millions of dollars for the state education fund and local...

FOLLOW THE MONEY

- Pushing for it:** State and local governments
- Bearing the cost:** Consumers paying for meals, rooms, and rental cars

WHO'S BEHIND IT

Democrat-sponsored (OR / 1D)

THE BILL ITSELF

Raising the meals and rooms tax rate.

NH HB1480

Introduced · recorded 2025-12-04

WHAT IT DOES

This bill would raise the tax you pay on restaurant meals, hotel rooms, and rental cars from 8.5 percent to 9 percent.

WHO IT'S WRITTEN FOR

Everyday People

READ IT YOURSELF

Official text (NH HB1480) —

https://gc.nh.gov/bill_status/legacy/bs2016/bill_status.aspx?lsr=2842&sy=2026&sortoption=&txtsessionyear=2026&txtbillnumber=HB1480

LegiScan – HB1480 – <https://legiscan.com/NH/bill/HB1480/2026>

Live status, community verdicts and how your own reps voted — www.obillerate.com/bill/nh-hb1480-056678

YOUR NOTES

The Registration Fees Bill

New Hampshire bill wipes out local car registration fees

NH HB1479 · Money & Damages

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OBLITERATE

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WHAT THIS MEANS FOR YOU

At first glance, this looks like a huge win for anyone who owns a car. It wipes out the local fee you pay every year to renew your registration. But there is a massive catch. Towns rely on that money to fix roads and pay for local services. If this passes, towns will lose over 300 million dollars a year. To make up for it, they will almost certainly have to raise your property taxes or cut services. The state legislature's...

WHY IT SCORES 4/10 — THE RECEIPTS

- Who Bears the Cost (hurts)** — Shifts the burden to property taxpayers.
Wipes out a user fee for car owners but forces towns to find 350 million dollars...
- Funding Tilt (hurts)** — Massive loss of local funding.
Towns and cities would lose between 300 million and 350 million dollars in revenue every...
- Rights & Protections (helps)** — Lowers costs for citizens.
Directly removes a mandatory fee that everyday people have to pay to drive their cars.

FOLLOW THE MONEY

- Pushing for it:** Car owners who save on fees
- Bearing the cost:** Local towns and cities in lost revenue per year

WHO'S BEHIND IT

Sponsorship unclear (OR / OD)

Repealing the motor vehicle registration permit fee.

Introduced · recorded 2025-12-04

This bill would stop towns from charging you a local fee to register your car, saving you money but costing local budgets millions of dollars.

Everyday People

Official text (NH HB1479) —

https://gc.nh.gov/bill_status/legacy/bs2016/bill_status.aspx?lsr=2844&sy=2026&sortoption=&txtsessionyear=2026&txtbillnumber=HB1479

LegisScan – HB1479 – <https://legiscan.com/NH/bill/HB1479/2026>

Live status, community verdicts and how your own reps voted — www.obillerate.com/bill/nh-hb1479-056694

The Retirement Credit Bill

Injured workers could get more retirement credit

NH HB216 • Work & Wages

9/10

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WHAT THIS MEANS FOR YOU

This bill would help workers who get hurt on the job. Right now, if you get workers' compensation, you can only count one year of that time toward your retirement. This bill would take away that one-year limit. This means if you are hurt for longer, you could still earn retirement credit for all that time. This helps make sure your retirement savings keep growing even when you cannot work. Some might worry this could cost...

WHY IT SCORES 9/10 — THE RECEIPTS

- Rights & Protections (helps)** — Expands retirement benefits for injured workers..
Removes the one-year cap on creditable service towards retirement for members receiving...
- Who Bears the Cost (hurts)** — Increases employer contributions to the retirement system..
The fiscal note states that increasing service credit for periods without active...

FOLLOW THE MONEY

- Pushing for it:** Injured workers
- Bearing the cost:** State employers and local government employers

WHO'S BEHIND IT

Bipartisan sponsorship (1R / 2D)

Relative to workers' compensation and creditable service towards retirement.

Introduced · recorded 2025-01-07

This bill would let injured workers earn full retirement credit while recovering, helping them save for the future.

Workers

Official text (NH HB216) —

https://gc.nh.gov/bill_status/legacy/bs2016/bill_status.aspx?lsr=108&sy=2026&sortoption=&txtsessionyear=2026&txtbillnumber=HB216

LegiScan – HB216 – <https://legiscan.com/NH/bill/HB216/2026>

Live status, community verdicts and how your own reps voted — www.obillerate.com/bill/nh-hb216-064517

The Landlord Application Bill

New Hampshire bill limits landlord application fees to one a year

NH HB1375 • Housing & Property

9/10 **LIBERATE**
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WHAT THIS MEANS FOR YOU

This bill would help people looking for a place to live by stopping landlords from charging many application fees. Right now, if you apply to a few apartments from the same landlord, you might have to pay a fee for each one. This bill would say you only pay one fee every 12 months, no matter how many places you apply for with that landlord. Landlords might say they need these fees to cover their costs for checking backgrounds...

WHY IT SCORES 9/10 — THE RECEIPTS

- Accountability (helps)** — Limits landlord ability to repeatedly charge fees..
The bill would stop landlords from charging more than one application fee from the same...
- Rights & Protections (helps)** — Protects renters from repeated application fees..
The bill defines 'application fee' to include charges for background checks, credit...
- Who Bears the Cost (helps)** — Reduces financial burden on renters..
No landlord shall require or accept more than one application fee from the same...
- Process Transparency (neutral)** — No direct impact on process transparency..
The bill focuses on fee limits, not how application processes are communicated.

FOLLOW THE MONEY

Pushing for it: Renters/Tenants

Bearing the cost: Landlords

WHO'S BEHIND IT

Democrat-sponsored (OR / 2D)

Prohibiting landlords from charging more than one application fee per tenant every 12 months.

Introduced · recorded 2025-12-02

This bill would stop landlords from charging you more than one application fee in a year, saving you money when looking for a home.

Everyday People

Official text (NH HB1375) —

https://gc.nh.gov/bill_status/legacy/bs2016/bill_status.aspx?lsr=3034&sy=2026&sortoption=&txtsessionyear=2026&txtbillnumber=HB1375

LegiScan – HB1375 – <https://legiscan.com/NH/bill/HB1375/2026>

Live status, community verdicts and how your own reps voted — www.obillerate.com/bill/nh-hb1375-055249

The Furry Friends Bill

New Hampshire bill limits pet fees, helps renters with furry friends

NH HB1553 • Housing & Property

9/10 **LIBERATE**
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WHAT THIS MEANS FOR YOU

This bill was a win for people who rent with pets, aiming to make housing more affordable and fair. It would have stopped landlords from charging big, non-refundable fees and capped monthly pet rent. While landlords say these fees help cover potential damage, many tenants feel they are too high and make it hard to find a home. However, the bill has already been voted down by a committee and that vote was accepted by the...

WHY IT SCORES 9/10 — THE RECEIPTS

- Accountability (helps)** — Landlords would be held to clearer rules about pet-related charges, making it harder for them to charge excessive fees..
The bill sets a clear cap on pet rent and prohibits nonrefundable fees, increasing...
- Rights & Protections (helps)** — Tenants with pets would have more predictable and lower costs, protecting them from financial barriers to housing..
By limiting pet rent and banning nonrefundable fees, the bill protects tenants from high...
- Who Bears the Cost (helps)** — Tenants would pay less in upfront and monthly pet fees, shifting some potential risk for pet damage back to landlords, though landlords could still charge for actual damage..
The financial burden of pet-related charges would be reduced for tenants, while landlords...
- Process Transparency (neutral)** — The bill does not directly address process transparency beyond setting clear rules for pet fees..
The bill focuses on the substance of pet fees rather than the transparency of the...

FOLLOW THE MONEY

Pushing for it: Tenants with pets
Bearing the cost: Landlords

WHO'S BEHIND IT

Democrat-sponsored (OR / 2D)

Relative to pet-related fees and rent in residential tenancies.

Introduced · recorded 2025-12-10

This bill would stop landlords from charging too much for pets, making it easier for people with animals to find and keep homes.

Everyday People

Official text (NH HB1553) —

https://gc.nh.gov/bill_status/legacy/bs2016/bill_status.aspx?lsr=2810&sy=2026&sortoption=&txtsessionyear=2026&txtbillnumber=HB1553

LegisScan – HB1553 – <https://legiscan.com/NH/bill/HB1553/2026>

Live status, community verdicts and how your own reps voted — www.obillerate.com/bill/nh-hb1553-057781

The Personal Info Bill

Stopping politicians from posting your personal info online

NH HB1408 • Privacy & Data

9/10

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WHAT THIS MEANS FOR YOU

Right now, politicians have a lot of power and a big audience. If an elected official gets mad at a regular person, they could post that person's home address or phone number online to encourage bullying. This bill would stop that by making it a crime for politicians to dox the people they represent. It also gives you a clear way to force the government to take your information down if you are in danger. The fact that a...

WHY IT SCORES 9/10 — THE RECEIPTS

- Accountability (helps)** — Holds powerful people accountable.
Creates a specific criminal penalty for elected officials who abuse their platform to...
- Rights & Protections (helps)** — Protects citizen privacy.
Gives ordinary people a new protection against doxxing and a process to remove their...
- Who Bears the Cost (neutral)** — Neutral cost impact.
The bill does not shift costs onto consumers or taxpayers in a meaningful way.
- Process Transparency (neutral)** — Neutral transparency.
Does not significantly change how government meetings or records are accessed, except for...

WHO'S BEHIND IT

Democrat-sponsored (OR / 9D)

Prohibiting public disclosure of personal information on the Internet by an elected official.

Introduced · recorded 2025-12-04

This bill would make it a crime for elected officials to post your private information online to threaten or harass you.

Everyday People

Official text (NH HB1408) —

https://gc.nh.gov/bill_status/legacy/bs2016/bill_status.aspx?lsr=3077&sy=2026&sortoption=&txtsessionyear=2026&txtbillnumber=HB1408

LegiScan – HB1408 – <https://legiscan.com/NH/bill/HB1408/2026>

Live status, community verdicts and how your own reps voted — www.obillerate.com/bill/nh-hb1408-056402

The Drivers License Bill

Register to vote when you get your drivers license

NH HB1600 • Consumer Protection

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WHAT THIS MEANS FOR YOU

Registering to vote should not be a hassle. This bill makes it easy by pairing it with a trip you already have to make. When you show your documents to get a state ID, the clerk will hand you a voter form. You can fill it out right there. Then, the state will mail it to your local town clerk for you. It is a smart way to help more regular people vote.

WHY IT SCORES 9/10 — THE RECEIPTS

Rights & Protections (helps) — Makes it much easier for citizens to exercise their right to vote..

Requires the DMV to offer voter registration forms and process them for applicants who...

Who Bears the Cost (hurts) — The state has to pay for extra staff and mail without new funding..

The fiscal note estimates \$208,000 in costs for the first year, but the bill does not...

FOLLOW THE MONEY

Pushing for it: Unknown

Bearing the cost: State of New Hampshire

WHO'S BEHIND IT

Bipartisan sponsorship (1R / 1D)

Relative to access to the centralized voter registration database on election days.

Engrossed · recorded 2026-03-30

This bill lets you register to vote at the exact same time you get or renew your driver's license.

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Official text (NH HB1600) —

https://gc.nh.gov/bill_status/legacy/bs2016/bill_status.aspx?lsr=3188&sy=2026&sortoption=&txtsessionyear=2026&txtbillnumber=HB1600

LegiScan – HB1600 – <https://legiscan.com/NH/bill/HB1600/2026>

Live status, community verdicts and how your own reps voted — www.obillerate.com/bill/nh-hb1600-057715

The Breaks Businesses Bill

New Hampshire offers tax breaks for businesses helping families

NH SB654 • Work & Wages

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This bill is good for working families because it would make it easier for businesses to offer child care and health insurance. If businesses get a tax break for these things, they might be more likely to offer them. This could help parents work knowing their kids are cared for and help more people get health coverage. However, giving tax breaks means the state would collect less tax money, which could affect other state...

WHY IT SCORES 8/10 — THE RECEIPTS

- Accountability** (neutral) — Neutral.
This bill creates incentives, not rules for accountability for harm or wrongdoing.
- Rights & Protections** (helps) — Positive.
It encourages businesses to offer valuable benefits like child care and health insurance...
- Who Bears the Cost** (hurts) — Cost shifted to state budget.
The state budget would lose tax money from these credits, meaning less money for other...
- Process Transparency** (neutral) — Neutral.
The bill is moving through the regular legislative process with committee actions...

FOLLOW THE MONEY

Pushing for it: Businesses providing child care or health benefits, and their employees
Bearing the cost: New Hampshire state budget/taxpayers

WHO'S BEHIND IT

Republican-sponsored (6R / 0D)

Creating tax credits for businesses that have on-site child care services and for businesses that provide health care coverage for certain employees.

Introduced · recorded 2026-01-28

This bill would give businesses money back on taxes if they help pay for child care or health insurance for some workers, making these benefits more common.

Businesses

Official text (NH SB654) —

https://gc.nh.gov/bill_status/legacy/bs2016/bill_status.aspx?lsr=3253&sy=2026&sortoption=&txtsessionyear=2026&txbillnumber=SB654

LegiScan – SB654 – <https://legiscan.com/NH/bill/SB654/2026>

Live status, community verdicts and how your own reps voted — www.obillerate.com/bill/nh-sb654-095718

The Patients Insurance Bill

New bill helps patients see what their insurance pays

NH HB1231 • Consumer Protection

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WHAT THIS MEANS FOR YOU

Patients would gain more control and understanding of their medical bills. This is important because it helps them know what they are being charged and what their insurance covers.

WHY IT SCORES 8/10 — THE RECEIPTS

- Accountability (helps)** — Increases transparency for patients.
Patients will understand their medical bills better.
- Rights & Protections (helps)** — Empowers patients with information.
Patients will know what their insurance covers.
- Process Transparency (helps)** — Clearer billing process for patients.
Patients will receive detailed billing statements.

WHO'S BEHIND IT

Republican-sponsored (2R / 0D)

Requiring health care providers to disclose medical services billed to the patient's insurance carrier.

Introduced · recorded 2025-12-01

This bill would let patients know what services were billed to their insurance and how much they owe.

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Official text (NH HB1231) —

https://gc.nh.gov/bill_status/legacy/bs2016/bill_status.aspx?lsr=2961&sy=2026&sortoption=&txtsessionyear=2026&txtbillnumber=HB1231

LegiScan – HB1231 – <https://legiscan.com/NH/bill/HB1231/2026>

Live status, community verdicts and how your own reps voted — www.obillerate.com/bill/nh-hb1231-054273

The Patients Hospitals Bill

Bill would let patients sue hospitals for COVID rule mistakes

NH HB1071 • Immunity & Accountability

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WHAT THIS MEANS FOR YOU

The state is deciding whether hospitals stay shielded or become accountable. If the bill passes, patients can hold hospitals responsible for mistakes, which may improve safety. Hospitals may face higher costs and insurance premiums, but the public gains a stronger right to sue.

WHY IT SCORES 8/10 — THE RECEIPTS

- Accountability (helps)** — removes shield.
Hospitals can be sued for harms
- Rights & Protections (helps)** — restores patient rights.
People can take legal action
- Who Bears the Cost (hurts)** — cost shifts to hospitals.
Potential higher insurance premiums
- Process Transparency (neutral)** — bill passed House, not yet Senate.
standard legislative process

WHO'S BEHIND IT

Republican-sponsored (7R / 0D)

Repealing immunity afforded health care facilities when following directives adopted in response to the COVID-19 state of emergency.

Engrossed · recorded 2026-03-17

The bill would end the special protection that hospitals got for following COVID emergency orders, so people could sue them for any harm.

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Official text (NH HB1071) —

https://gc.nh.gov/bill_status/legacy/bs2016/bill_status.aspx?lsr=2388&sy=2026&sortoption=&txtsessionyear=2026&txtbillnumber=HB1071

LegiScan — HB1071 — <https://legiscan.com/NH/bill/HB1071/2026>

Live status, community verdicts and how your own reps voted — www.obillerate.com/bill/nh-hb1071-052739

The Insurers Rates Bill

Bill blocks insurers from raising rates for spouse's DWI

NH HB1486 • Healthcare & Insurance

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WHAT THIS MEANS FOR YOU

Right now, families can lose money when a spouse's DUI makes insurers hike rates. This bill would stop that, keeping your bill steady, and forces insurers to focus on the driver you actually insure.

WHY IT SCORES 8/10 — THE RECEIPTS

- Accountability (helps)** — Stops insurers from using unrelated records..
Adds clear rule limiting premium calculations.
- Rights & Protections (helps)** — Protects consumers from unfair rate hikes..
Ensures premiums reflect only the insured driver's record.
- Who Bears the Cost (neutral)** — Cost impact unclear; may shift risk to insurers..
No direct cost shift mandated.
- Process Transparency (helps)** — Creates a transparent standard for rating..
Policy language is explicit about prohibited practices.

WHO'S BEHIND IT

Democrat-sponsored (OR / 2D)

Prohibiting insurance companies from considering the driving record of household members not covered by the motor vehicle insurance policy when establishing policy premiums.

Introduced · recorded 2025-12-05

Insurers could not increase your car insurance just because your spouse or other household member has a DUI or a suspended license.

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Official text (NH HB1486) —

https://gc.nh.gov/bill_status/legacy/bs2016/bill_status.aspx?lsr=2627&sy=2026&sortoption=&txtsessionyear=2026&txtbillnumber=HB1486

LegiScan — HB1486 — <https://legiscan.com/NH/bill/HB1486/2026>

Live status, community verdicts and how your own reps voted — www.obillerate.com/bill/nh-hb1486-056686

The Towns Homes Bill

New Hampshire towns could get help building homes

NH HB1660 • Housing & Property

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WHAT THIS MEANS FOR YOU

This bill would give towns new ways to build homes for seniors and workers. Right now, towns find it hard to offer tax breaks to developers for housing because it can make them look richer to the state, meaning they get less state help for schools and other things. This bill would fix that problem by changing how the state counts these tax breaks. It would also make sure these tax breaks are only for certain kinds of housing...

WHY IT SCORES 8/10 — THE RECEIPTS

- Accountability (helps)** — Requires public findings for housing needs..
Prior to entering into a credit enhancement agreement under this section, the governing...
- Rights & Protections (helps)** — Aims to increase access to needed housing..
Bill purpose states "New Hampshire faces a shortage of senior housing, skilled care..."
- Who Bears the Cost (helps)** — Clarifies tax treatment to prevent towns from being penalized..
Including housing-related captured assessed value in equalized valuation penalizes towns...
- Process Transparency (helps)** — Requires reporting and clear treatment of rebates..
The department shall require that property assessors report on credit enhancement...

FOLLOW THE MONEY

Pushing for it: Developers of qualifying housing projects, municipalities (by not losing state aid).
Bearing the cost: General public (potential short-term reduction in tax revenue for general fund, though offset by new development).

WHO'S BEHIND IT

Democrat-sponsored (1R / 7D)

Relative to municipal credit enhancement agreements and tax increment financing for priority housing development.

Introduced · recorded 2025-12-12

This bill would help towns build more senior and workforce housing by letting them give tax breaks to developers without losing state money.

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Official text (NH HB1660) —

https://gc.nh.gov/bill_status/legacy/bs2016/bill_status.aspx?lsr=2904&sy=2026&sortoption=&txtsessionyear=2026&txtbillnumber=HB1660

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