



Red – INEXPEDIENT TO LEGISLATE



Yellow – WATCH LIST



Green – SIGNED INTO LAW

### 2007 LEGISLATION LIST

### NEW HAMPSHIRE ASSOCIATION OF FIRE CHIEFS Legislative Committee Notes, Action, and Assignments

09/25/07

| Bill # | LSR # | PRIME SPONSOR | TITLE  | ANALYSIS  | STATUS  |
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| HB 135 | 0512  | Rep. Weare    | establishing the second Sunday in October as Firefighters Memorial Day   | <b>SUPPORT – Signed into Law</b>  | Passed House; Passed Senate; Signed by the Governor on 07/03/07; Eff. Date 09/01/07; Chapter 0275   |
| HB 139 | 0576  | Rep. DeJoie   | requiring the reporting of burn injuries   | <b>SUPPORT<br/>Inexpedient to Legislate</b>   | Passed House; Senate inexpedient to legislate   |
| HB 155 | 0815  | Rep. Harding  | relative to membership of the state building code review board<br><i>This bill would take one of the 2 positions on the board nominated by the Fire Chiefs, the one for a volunteer chief, and make it a person with fire prevention background but still nominated by the Fire Chiefs</i> | <b>Support with amendment - Signed Into Law</b>   | Passed House; passed Senate ; Signed by the Governor on 5/2/07; Eff. Date 7/1/07; Chapter 0011  |
| HB 218 | 0717  | Rep. L. Ober  | relative to chief firewards, engineers or fire chiefs<br><i>This bill gives fire chiefs and firewards the same due process rights as police chiefs when it comes to a suspension or dismissal.</i>   | <b>SUPPORT – Signed into Law</b>  | Passed House; Passed Senate w/ amendment; House concurred with Senate amendment; Signed by the Governor on 06/18/07; Eff. Date 06/18/07; Chapter 0163 |
| HB 291 | 0658  | Rep. Welch    | relative to licensure of fireworks sellers   | Limits total licenses for state to 35 and establishes Feb. 1 as renewal date for licenses<br><b>WATCH</b> | Retained by House Criminal Justice and Public Safety Committee  |

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| <del>HB 313</del> | <del>0554</del> | <del>Rep. P. McMahon</del> | <del>establishing a committee to study reimbursing towns for emergency services on interstate highways</del>  | <del>WATCH</del>  | <del>Inexpedient to legislate in House</del>                             |
| HB 329            | 0903            | Rep. Infantine             | relative to fire equipment servicing certification program  | <u>WATCH – George Klauber to follow</u>   | Retained by the House Executive Departments and Administration Committee |
| HB 331            | 0928            | Rep. Skinder               | Relative to withholding of building permits in certain cases  | This bill prohibits the withholding of a building permit after an application has been accepted prior to the first legal notice of a proposed change in a subdivision, building code or zoning ordinance.<br><u>WATCH</u> | Retained by the House Municipal and County Government Committee          |
| HB 374            | 0273            | Rep. Price                 | increasing the appropriation to the firemen's relief fund<br>Increases the annual appropriation to the firemen's relief fund from \$6,000 to \$40,000   | <u>OPPOSE - Chris Leclair to follow</u>   | Retained by the House Finance Committee                                  |
| <del>HB 388</del> | <del>0593</del> | <del>Rep. Pilotte</del>    | <del>establishing the position of fire protection engineer and requiring the commissioner of safety to establish fees for building, life safety, and fire protection system plan review by the state fire marshal</del> | <del>SUPPORT</del>  | <del>Inexpedient to legislate in House</del>                             |

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| HB 528 | 0475  | Rep. Tholl      | expanding the enhanced 911 system to providers of devices and services capable of accessing enhanced 911 service in NH | Makes monthly fee applicable to VoIP<br><b>WATCH</b>  | Inexpedient to legislate in House   |
| HB 556 | 0967  | Rep. L. Hammond | relative to school emergency response plans  | <b>Signed into Law</b>  | Passed House; Passed Senate; Signed by the Governor on 06/11/07; Eff. Date 07/01/07; Chapter 0092 |
| HB 562 | 0074  | Rep. Hawkins    | Excluding extra or special duty pay from earnable compensation in the retirement system                                | This bill removes extra or special duty pay from the definition of earnable compensation used in the calculation of retirement system benefits.<br><b>WATCH</b> | Inexpedient to legislate in House   |
| HB 568 | 0064  | Rep. Hawkins    | Repealing the option to purchase nonqualified service credit in the NH retirement system                               | This bill repeals the provision added by 2006, 178:8 which allows retirement system members to purchase certain nonqualified service credit.<br><b>WATCH</b>    | Passed House; Senate inexpedient to legislate   |
| HB 569 | 0072  | Rep. Hawkins    | Relative to the retirement age for retirement system group II members  | This bill increases the retirement age for group II retirement system members who begin employment on or after July 1, 2007 to 55.<br><b>WATCH</b>              | Inexpedient to legislate in House   |

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| HB 580 | 0453  | Rep. Knox     | Relative to certain accidental disability retirement allowances payable to surviving spouses of retired members   | It increases the benefits to the surviving spouse of a group II member who retired before 5/1/1987<br><b>WATCH</b>   | Inexpedient to legislate in House   |
| HB 646 | 1089  | Rep. Ulery    | establishing a fee for copies of police and fire reports.   | the charge for police and fire agency reports shall be \$10 for the first one to 5 pages and \$1 for each page over 5 pages<br><b>WATCH</b>  | Inexpedient to legislate in House   |
| HB 653 | 0073  | Rep. Hawkins  | relative to the determination of benefits, funding, and administration of the New Hampshire retirement system.  | Adds a local government member to the board of trustees, changes the procedure for calculating and financing benefits, repeals the authority for nonqualified service credit, and grants a 2.25 percent COLA for 2007.<br><b>SUPPORT - WATCH</b> | Passed the House; Passed Senate with amendment; committee of conference report adopted by both houses; Signed by the Governor on 06/29/07; Eff. Date 06/30/07; Chapter 0268 |
| HB 719 | 0879  | Rep. Knowles  | relative to the statute of limitations for fire code violations<br><i>This bill establishes that the statute of limitations for a fire code violation begins to run only upon the actual discovery of the violation</i> | <b>SUPPORT -</b><br><b>Signed into Law</b>   | Passed House: Passed Senate with amendment; House concurred with Senate amendment; Signed by the Governor 06/18/07 - Chapter 0183   |

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| HB 779 | 0382  | Rep. Baroody     | Relative to funding of retirement system benefits and supplemental allowances  | It changes the allocation of funds into the special account, adds a cost of living adjustment to the employer contribution rate, and changes the funding of supplemental allowances<br><b>WATCH</b> | Retained by House Executive Departments and Administration Committee |
| HB 781 | 0504  | Rep. J. Flanders | relative to the duties of the department of safety<br>Makes certain technical corrections to the laws governing the department of safety . amends certain budget reporting requirements and places the New Hampshire hospital security force under the control of state police, repeals the hazardous materials transportation safety board and establishes the hazardous materials transportation advisory committee, amends references to the department of administrative services in the statutes governing the enhanced 911 system, removes term limits for members of the motor vehicle industry board, permits the department of safety to establish late fees for non payment of surcharges required for the 911 fund. This bill is a request of the department of safety. | <b>WATCH</b>  | Retained by House Transportation Committee                           |

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| HB 802            | 0471            | Rep. Jennifer Brown        | Relative to passenger restraints  | <p>This bill requires passenger restraint use by all motor vehicle operators and passengers unless specifically exempt by law.</p> <p><b>SUPPORT</b></p> <p><b>WATCH – George Klauber is on this committee, will report on progress as needed</b></p> | Passed the House; inexpedient to legislate in Senate; though both Houses passed HB 533 establishing a commission to recommend a comprehensive program for increasing the use of passenger restraints in New Hampshire. |
| <del>HB 824</del> | <del>1099</del> | <del>Rep. P. McMahon</del> | <del>establishing a death benefit to be paid to the family of a police officer, firefighter, or highway worker killed in the line of duty</del> | <p><del>SUPPORT</del></p> <p><del>SB 169 SIGNED INTO LAW</del></p> <p><del>DUPLICATE BILL</del></p>   | <del>Inexpedient to legislate in House</del>   |
| HB 842            | 0959            | Rep. DeJoie                | establishing safety requirements and procedures for firefighters  | <p>This bill establishes safety requirements and procedures for firefighters.</p> <p><b>OPPOSE – WATCH</b></p> <p><b>Chris LeClaire will follow this bill and work with PFFNH</b></p>   | Retained by House Criminal Justice and Public Safety Committee   |

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| HB 876 | 0950  | Rep. Kurk     | <p>establishing a commission to make recommendations to ensure the long-term viability and sustainability of the New Hampshire retirement system.</p> <p><i>This bill establishes a 21 member commission to make recommendations to ensure the long-term viability of the New Hampshire retirement system. The bill makes an appropriation to the commission for purposes of the duties of the commission.</i></p> | <p><b>SUPPORT – WATCH</b></p> <p><b>NHAFC agreed to place Dave Lang on Commission to represent the Chiefs interest.</b></p> <p><b>Chris Leclair to follow this bill for Chiefs</b></p> | <p>Passed House; Passed Senate with amendment; committee of conference report adopted by both houses; Signed by the Governor on 07/17/07; Eff. Date 07/17/07; Chapter 0355</p> |
| HB 911 | 0237  | Rep. Hamm     | <p>establishing an automated external defibrillator trust fund and making an appropriation therefor.</p> <p><i>This bill establishes an automated external defibrillator trust fund and makes an appropriation to the trust fund.</i></p>  | <p><b>SUPPORT –</b></p> <p><b>Signed into Law</b></p>  | <p>Passed House; Passed Senate; Signed by the Governor on 06/04/07; Eff. Date 07/01/07; Chapter 0062</p>   |
| HB 917 | 0785  | Rep. Harding  | <p>relative to the duties of the oversight committee on telecommunications.</p> <p><i>This bill requires the oversight committee on telecommunications to study implementing a statewide emergency notification system.</i></p>  | <p><b>WATCH</b></p>  | <p>Passed the House: passed Senate with amendment; House concurred with Senate amendment; Signed by the Governor on 06/25/07; Eff. Date 06/25/07; Chapter 0229</p>             |

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| SB 40  | 0989  | Sen. Clegg        | Relative to the modular building code<br><i>Defines the modular building code as the state building code – state building code is defined to include the International Residential Code 2000</i> | <b>WATCH</b><br><b>Signed into Law</b>   | Passed the Senate; Passed the House; Signed by the Governor on 06/11/07; Eff. Date 08/10/07, Chapter 0108            |
| SB 62  | 0407  | Sen. Clegg        | Relative to penalties for violations of the state building code<br><br><i>Makes it a misdemeanor to violate the state building code</i>  | <b>SUPPORT</b>   | Rereferred to Senate Public and Municipal Affairs Committee  |
| SB 81  | 0556  | Sen. Clegg        | relative to the state building code  | <b>SUPPORT</b><br><b>Signed into Law</b>   | Passed Senate; Passed House; Signed by the Governor on 06/18/07; Eff Date 08/17/07, Chapter 0187                     |
| SB 88  | 0083  | Sen. Gottesman    | relative to public employee terms of employment, bargaining units, and dispute resolution.   | <b>OPPOSE</b><br><b>WATCH</b>  | Passed Senate; House voted to lay on table   |
| SB 116 | 1252  | Sen. Kenney       | establishing a committee to study the licensing and regulation of fuel gas fitters by the state fire marshal   | <b>WATCH</b>   | Inexpedient to legislate in Senate   |
| SB 117 | 1255  | Sen. D'Allesandro | relative to fireworks display permits and the position of permissible fireworks inspector  | <b>SUPPORT</b><br><b>Voted Ought to Pass on October 30, 2007</b><br><b>Fire Marshal to Watch</b> | Passed Senate; Passed House with amendment by House ED&A Committee, House Finance Committee voted to retain the bill |

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| SB 169 | 0254  | Sen. D'Allesandro | establishing a death benefit to be paid to the family of a police officer or firefighter killed in the line of duty<br><br><i>\$100,000 death benefit for firefighters and police, study benefits for EMTs</i> | <b>SUPPORT –</b><br><br><b>Signed into Law- Study Committee determining eligibility requirements</b><br><br><b>Shawn Murray to Follow</b> | Passed Senate; Passed House with amendment; Senate concurred; Signed by the Governor on 07/03/07; Eff. Date 07/03/07, Chapter 0291. Identical language found in HB 685, which passed both the House and Senate and Signed by the Governor on 06/27/07; Eff. Date 06/27/07; Chapter 0243. |
| SB 179 | 0845  | Sen. Burling      | establishing an automated external defibrillator trust fund and making an appropriation therefor.  | <b>SUPPORT</b><br><br><b>WATCH</b>  | Passed Senate; referred to House Education Committee, retained by committee  |
| SB-202 | 1201  | Sen. Gallus       | <del>establishing a lifetime license for certain long-serving emergency medical care providers</del>   | <del><b>WATCH</b></del>   | <del>Inexpedient to legislate in Senate</del>  |
| SB 207 | 1237  | Sen. Hassan       | extending the committee to study the funding necessary to operate the hazardous materials program in NH  | <b>SUPPORT</b><br><b>WATCH</b><br><b>Chris Leclair and George Klauber to Follow</b>   | Passed Senate; Passed House; Signed by the Governor on 06/18/07; Eff Date 06/18/07, Chapter 0198   |
| SB 210 | 1250  | Sen. D'Allesandro | relative to transferring regulation of fuel gas fitters to the board of licensing and regulation of plumbers, and making certain changes to the regulation of plumbers   | <b>OPPOSE</b><br><br><b>WATCH</b><br><br><b>Fire Marshal to follow</b>  | Rereferred to Senate Executive Departments and Administration Committee  |
| SB 212 | 1271  | Sen. Cilley       | relative to the regulation of home inspectors  | <b>WATCH</b><br><br><b>Doug Patch and Shawn Murray to follow</b>  | Rereferred to Senate Executive Departments and Administration Committee  |

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| SB 257 | 1308  | Sen. DeVries  | relative to penalties for life safety code violations under municipal housing standards. | WATCH<br><u>Doug Patch and Shawn Murray to follow</u> | Rereferred to Senate Public and Municipal Affairs Committee |

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