

NHDES LEGISLATIVE HEARING CALENDAR
January 13, 2012

The following are upcoming legislative committee hearings/meetings on bills and hearings relevant to the Department of Environmental Services. Information is gathered Friday morning from the House and Senate Calendars and the General Court website at <http://gencourt.state.nh.us/>.

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Tuesday, January 17

- 9:20am **Senate Public & Municipal Affairs, LOB 101**
SB 231, establishing a committee to study charges by municipal water and sewer departments.
Executive session may follow the 10:40am hearing.
- 10am **House Environment & Agriculture, LOB 303**
HB 1211, establishing a committee to study the promotion of lease of state-owned land for use for beginning farmers.
Executive session may follow.
- 10:15am **House Resources, Recreation & Development, LOB 305**
Rescheduled hearing on **HB 1356**, classifying certain land in Litchfield as land to be retained by the state. [was 10am]
- 10:45am **House Resources, Recreation & Development, LOB 305**
HB 1233, establishing a statute of limitations on wetlands filling and dredging.
- 1pm **Senate Ways & Means, SH 100**
SB 337-FN, relative to property held for water supply or flood control. (Previous hearing for SB 337 was recessed on January 10.)
- 1:30pm **House Resources, Recreation & Development, LOB 305**
HB 1373, relative to the definition of first-in, first-out as it applies to wastewater or public water supply projects.
- 1:45pm **House Public Works & Highways, LOB 201**
HB 1314, establishing a committee to study the maintenance of water and sewer infrastructure.
- 2:15pm **House Resources, Recreation & Development, LOB 305**
HB 1380, relative to the development of wetland mitigation banks.
Executive session may follow the 3pm hearing.

Thursday, January 19

- 8:30am **House Science, Technology & Energy, LOB 304**
HB 1214, banning corn-based ethanol as an additive to gasoline sold in NH.
- 9am **Shoreland Advisory Committee, @ DES**
Regular meeting.
- 9am **Senate Executive Departments & Administration, SH 100**
SB 213-FN, relative to the authority of state agencies to assess fines and penalties.
- 9am **Senate Energy & Natural Resources, LOB 102**
SB 224, relative to lead fishing sinkers and jigs.
- 9:30am **SB 265**, relative to the definition of stormwater.

- 9:30am **House Public Works & Highways, LOB 201**
HB 1130, relative to weighted voting by the Winnepesaukee River advisory board.
- 9:30am **House Science, Technology & Energy, LOB 304**
HB 1487, relative to prior legislative approval for the expenditure of funds for low carbon fuel standards programs.
- 10am **House Ways & Means, LOB 202**
HB 1144, establishing a commission to study the taxation of alternative fuel and electric-powered motor vehicles for the purpose of funding improvements to the state's highways and bridges.
- 10:30am **House Science, Technology & Energy, LOB 304**
HB 1324, establishing a committee to study the PUC.
- 1:20pm **Senate Finance, SH 103**
SB 326-FN, relative to state reimbursement of towns for upkeep of dams under the Merrimack River Flood Control Compact and the Connecticut River Flood Control Compact.
- 1:30pm **House Constitutional Review & Statutory Recodification, LOB 104**
HB 1541, repealing the authority of officials to enter and examine the premises of an automotive recycling dealer.
- 1:35pm **Senate Finance, SH 100**
SB 314-FN, relative to state-owned vehicle fleet management.
- 2:15pm **House Executive Departments & Administration, LOB 306**
HB 1338, relative to failure to renew a professional or occupational license.
 Exec. session may follow.

Friday, January 20

- 8:30am **House Science, Technology & Energy, LOB 304**
 Rescheduled hearing on **HB 1210**, applying the procedures of the eminent domain procedures act to cases of eminent domain concerning public utilities.
- 9am **Joint Legislative Committee on Administrative Rules, LOB 305-307**
 Regular meeting.
- 10am **House Environment & Agriculture, LOB 303**
 Rescheduled public hearing on **HB 1235**, establishing a committee to study and propose a recodification of certain environment-related statutes.
Executive session may follow the 1pm hearing.
- 10am **NH Land & Community Heritage Authority Board of Directors, DRED, 172 Pembroke Rd., Concord**
 Regular meeting.
- 11:30am **House Science, Technology & Energy, LOB 304**
HB 1296, relative to net energy metering.
- 2pm **House Commerce & Consumer Affairs, LOB 302**
 Rescheduled public hearing on **HB 1182**, prohibiting the sale of baby food products containing bisphenol A in NH.

Monday, January 23

9am **Oil Fund Disbursement, LOB 305**
Regular meeting.

10am **House Ways & Means, LOB 202**
HB 1222-FN, relative to protected shoreland permitting fees.

11am **HB 1226-FN**, directing DES administrative fine revenue to a special fund for environmental enforcement. *Executive session may follow the 2pm hearing.*

Tuesday, January 24

10am **House Ways & Means, LOB 202**
Rescheduled hearing on **HB 1222**, relative to protected shoreland permitting fees.

10:30am **House Resources, Recreation & Development, LOB 305**
HB 1636, relative to the extension of fill and dredge in wetlands permits.

11am **House Ways & Means, LOB 202**
Rescheduled hearing on **HB 1226**, Directing DES administrative fine revenue to a special fund for environmental enforcement.

11:30 **House Executive Departments & Administration, LOB 306**
HB 1476, prohibiting the enforcement of out-of-state laws, rules, codes and fees not approved by the NH legislature.

2:15pm **House Resources, Recreation & Development, LOB 305**
HB 1540-FN, relative to conservation easements on public land.
Executive session may follow.

2:30pm **House Science, Technology & Energy, LOB 304**
HB 1477, relative to the definition of spent materials.
Executive session may follow.

Wednesday, January 25

10am **House Resources, Recreation & Development, LOB 305**
HB 1501-FN, establishing a fund to upgrade wastewater treatment plants.

10:45am **HB 1525-FN**, repealing the wetlands and shorelands review fund.
Executive session may follow the 2:30pm hearing.

Thursday, January 26

1pm **House Finance, LOB 210-211**
Rescheduled public hearing on **HB 1669-FN**, requiring the deposit of dedicated fund revenues into the general fund for the 2014 and 2015 fiscal years and requiring non-constitutionally established dedicated funds to be eliminated on June 30, 2015 unless reinstated by the legislature.
Executive session may follow.

Tuesday, January 31

10am **House Ways & Means, LOB 202**
HB 1489-FN, repealing the decrease of the fuel oil importation fee.

10am **House Constitutional Review & Statutory Recodification, LOB 206**
HB 1361, prohibiting generic fiscal notes on bills.
Executive session may follow the 2pm hearing.

10:15am **House Health, Human Services & Elderly Affairs, LOB 205 – NOTE time change**
HB 1614, establishing a committee to study the public health implications involved with the imposition of the energy provisions of the state building code.

1pm **House Resources, Recreation & Development, LOB 305**
 Executive session on **HB 1233**, establishing a statute of limitations on wetlands filling and dredging; **HB 1356**, classifying certain land in Litchfield as land to be retained by the state; **HB 1373**, relative to the definition of first-in, first-out as it applies to wastewater or public water supply projects; **HB 1380**, relative to the development of wetland mitigation banks; **HB 1415**, relative to exceptions for proposed sewage waste disposal systems; **HB 1416**, relative to the introduction of substances into the NH public water supply; **HB 1501-FN**, establishing a fund to upgrade wastewater treatment plants; **HB 1525-FN**, repealing the wetlands and shorelands review fund; **HB 1540-FN** relative to conservation easements on public land; **HB 1636**, relative to the extension of fill and dredge in wetlands permits; and other unrelated bills.

2pm **House Ways & Means, LOB 202 – NOTE time change**
 Executive session on **HB 1144**, establishing a commission to study the taxation of alternative fuel and electric-powered motor vehicles for the purpose of funding improvements to the state's highways and bridges; **HB 1222-FN**, relative to protected shoreland permitting fees; **HB 1226-FN**, directing DES administrative fine revenue to a special fund for environmental enforcement; and several other unrelated bills.

Thursday, February 2

8:30am **House Science, Technology & Energy, Rep. Hall**
HB 1238, relative to divestiture of PSNH generation assets.
Exec. session may follow.

10:30 am **House Resources, Recreation & Development, LOB 305**
 Continued executive session from January 31.

1:15pm **House Executive Departments & Administration, LOB 306**
HB 1448, requiring public access to any document and Internet content which is incorporated by reference in administrative rules.

2pm **HB 1218**, relative to state authority to accept federal aid.
Exec. session may follow.

2pm **House Criminal Justice & Public Safety, LOB 204**
HB 1532-FN, relative to trespass on land which is not posted.

Friday, February 3

9am **Joint Legislative Committee on Administrative Rules, LOB 305-307**
 Continued meeting.

Tuesday, February 7

10:15am **House Science, Technology & Energy, LOB 304**
HB 1346, relative to the construction of power line extensions.

10:45am **House Executive Departments & Administration, LOB 306**
HB 1154, establishing a committee to study the management structure of state government.

10:45am **House Public Works & Highways, LOB 201**
HB 1230-FN, requiring a listing of state real property.

11am **House Science, Technology & Energy, LOB 304**
HB 1239, requiring the SEC to consider economic impact prior to issuing a certificate for an energy facility.

11:15am **House Public Works & Highways, LOB 201**
HB 1293, establishing a rest area gas station and retail opportunities commission.
Exec. session may follow.

1:15pm **House Executive Departments & Administration, LOB 306**
HB 1686-FN, relative to state contracts.

1:15pm **House Science, Technology & Energy, LOB 304**
HB 1401, relative to site evaluations and certificates for energy facilities.
Exec. session may follow.

Thursday, February 9

8:30am **House Science, Technology & Energy, LOB 304**
HB 1428, relative to public utilities commission orders concerning renewable portfolio standards.
Exec. session may follow.

10am **House Ways & Means, LOB 202**
 Rescheduled executive session on **HB 1489-FN**, repealing the decrease of the fuel oil importation fee; and other unrelated bills.

Monday, February 13

10:30am **Committee to Study Exotic Aquatic Weeds and Species, LOB 308**
 Regular meeting.

Tuesday, February 14

10:15am **House Science, Technology & Energy, Rep. Hall**
HB 1490-FN, repealing NH's RGGI cap and trade program for controlling CO2 emissions.
Exec. session may follow.

10:45am **House Transportation, LOB 203**
HB 1585-FN, relative to inspections of trucks and buses.

Thursday, February 16

1:30pm **House Criminal Justice & Public Safety, LOB 204**
HB 1327, relative to official oppression.

Friday, February 17

9am **Joint Legislative Committee on Administrative Rules, LOB 305-307**
 Regular meeting.

Tuesday, February 21

10:45am **House Executive Departments & Administration, LOB 306**
HB 1248, relative to emergency management compacts.

11:30am **HB 1634**, prohibiting the state, counties, towns and cities from implementing programs of, expending money for, receiving funding from, or contracting with the Int'l Council for Local Environmental Initiatives.

LEGISLATIVE DEADLINES

February 27 – March 2	Legislative Mid-winter Break
Thursday, March 15	Deadline for Senate Policy Committees to act on all Senate bills with a fiscal impact.
Thursday, March 29	CROSSOVER DAY. Last day to act on all House/Senate bills.
Thursday, May 3	Deadline for Senate Policy Committees to act on all House bills with a fiscal impact.
Thursday, May 17	Last day for Senate to act on all House bills.
Thursday, May 24	Last day to form Committees of Conference
Thursday, May 31	Last day to sign Committee of Conference reports
Thursday, June 7	Last day to act on Committee of Conference reports.