

# Fish and Game 2023 Bills of Interest – July 25, 2023

## Abbreviations:

**AA** – Amendment Adopted  
**DV** – Division Vote  
**ITL** – Inexpedient to Legislate

**MA** – Motion Adopted  
**OTP** – Ought to Pass  
**OTP/A** – Ought to Pass w/Amendment

**RC** – Roll Call  
**S/O** – Special Order  
**VV** – Voice Vote

**Bill numbers link to the bill’s text**  
**Floor Vote dates link to the bill’s docket**

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Bill # Prime Sponsor	Title	Commission Position	Department Lead	Committee/ Hearing Date	Floor Vote	Committee/ Hearing Date	Floor Vote	Chapter # Effective Date
<a href="#">HB 32-FN</a> Steve Shurtleff	<b>relative to possession or discharge of a firearm in a safe school zone.</b> This bill adds a criminal offense for the possession or discharge of a firearm in a safe school zone.	<b>No Position</b> 2/21/23	Monitor	<b>Criminal Justice</b> 2/8/23 @ 9:00 SH Reps’ Hall Exec Session 2/16/23 @ 9:00: ITL 10-9 LOB Room 202-204	<a href="#">3/9/23:</a> <b>ITL</b> <b>MA RC</b> <b>199-174</b>			
<a href="#">HB 56</a> Megan Murray	<b>relative to permits for the siting of new landfills.</b> This bill establishes a formula for determining the distance for which a new landfill shall be located from a perennial river, lake, or coastal water.	<b>No Position</b> 2/21/23	Monitor	<b>Enviro &amp; Ag</b> 2/21/23 @ 1:00 Work Session 2/28/23 @ 9:30 3/7/23 @ 9:30 Exec Session 3/7/23 @ 10:30: Without Recommendation LOB Room 301-303	<a href="#">3/23/23:</a> OTP/A <a href="#">#0772h</a> MA DV 224-155	Energy 4/4/23 @ 9:15 Exec’d 4/4: ITL 3-2 SH Room 103	<a href="#">4/13/23:</a> <b>ITL</b> <b>MA VV</b>	
<a href="#">HB 59-FN</a> Marjorie Smith	<b>requiring a background check prior to any commercial firearm sale.</b> This bill requires commercial firearms sales or transfers to be subject to a criminal background check. The bill excludes private, non-commercial sales/transfers.	<b>No Position</b> 2/21/23	Monitor/ Nicola/ Kevin	<b>Criminal Justice</b> 2/8/23 @ 9:45 SH Reps’ Hall Exec Session 2/16/23 @ 9:00: ITL 10-9 LOB Room 202-204	<a href="#">3/9/23:</a> <b>ITL</b> <b>MA RC</b> <b>197-175</b>			

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<a href="#">HB 113</a> Michael Abbot	<b>relative to the physical fitness performance requirements for law enforcement officers.</b> This bill repeals the police standards and training council physical fitness requirements for certified law enforcement officers and the penalty for not meeting such requirements.	Support 1/17/23 <b>No Position</b> 2/21/23	Kevin/ Dave	<b>Criminal Justice</b> 2/9/23 @ 9:00 Work Session 2/21/23 @ 10:00 Exec Session 2/24/23 @ 9:00: <b>Retained</b> <b>LOB Room 202-204</b>				
<a href="#">HB 117</a> Bob Lynn	<b>relative to the termination of tenancy at the expiration of the tenancy or lease term.</b> This bill adds the expiration of the term of the lease or tenancy if over 6 months as grounds for an eviction.	<b>No Position</b> 2/21/23	Monitor	Judiciary 1/25/23 @ 9:45 Exec Session 2/8/23 @ 11:00 AND 2/9/23 @ 9:00: Without Recommendation LOB Room 206-208	<a href="#">3/9/23:</a> OTP MA RC 211-157	Commerce 3/21/23 @ 10:00 Exec'd: ITL 4-0 SH Room 100	<a href="#">4/13/23:</a> <b>ITL</b> <b>MA VV</b>	
<a href="#">HB 119-FN</a> Aidan Ankarberg	<b>(New Title) relative to homestead food operation licensure and making provisions for the sale of meat from uninspected bison, elk, or red deer.</b> This bill allows homestead food operations to sell food, excluding potentially hazardous food, from the homestead residence, at the owner's farm stand, or at farmers' markets. It also expands food service and meat inspection regulations to cover bison, elk, and red deer.	<b>Support</b> <i>5-0</i>	Monitor	<b>Enviro &amp; Ag</b> C of C 6/21/23 @ 9:00 LOB Room 301-303 C of C <a href="#">Report</a>	<a href="#">3/16/23:</a> OTP/A #0629h MA VV <a href="#">6/8/23:</a> Non- Concurs C of C <a href="#">6/29/23:</a> <a href="#">Report</a> <b>Adopted</b> <b>VV</b>	<b>Energy</b> <b>C of C <a href="#">Report</a></b>	<a href="#">5/18/23:</a> OTP/A <a href="#">#1895s</a> MA VV <a href="#">6/15/23:</a> Accedes <a href="#">6/29/23:</a> <a href="#">Report</a> <b>Adopted</b> <b>VV</b>	

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<a href="#">HB 137</a> Jim Creighton	<b>relative to boating safety equipment rules and vessel numbering rules, and establishing a committee to study boat registrations fees.</b> This bill allows the commissioner of the department of safety to adopt by reference certain U.S. Coast Guard rules on boating safety equipment regulations and boating safety state numbering system regulations. The bill also establishes a committee to study boat registration fees.	<b>Support</b> 1/17/23	Michael E	<b>Transportation</b> 2/21/23 @ 10:45 Exec Session 3/7/23 @ 10:00: OTP 20-0 Consent LOB Room 201-203	<a href="#">3/16/23:</a> OTP MA VV <a href="#">5/18/23:</a> <b>Concurs</b> MA VV	<b>Transportation</b> 4/4/23 @ 1:10 Exec'd 4/4: OTP/A <a href="#">#1338s</a> 5-0 Consent LOB Room 101	<a href="#">4/13/23:</a> OTP/A <a href="#">#1338s</a> MA VV	<b>Ch. 116</b> <b>Signed</b> <b>6/30/23</b> <b>Eff.</b> <b>8/29/23</b>
<a href="#">HB 149-FN</a> Marjorie Smith	<b>relative to the handling of requests made under the right-to-know law.</b> This bill requires periodic updates to the requestor when a request is made under the right-to-know law	<b>No Position</b> 2/21/23	Monitor	<b>Judiciary</b> 1/19/23 @ 10:30 Exec Session 2/1/23 @ 9:00: <b>Retained</b> Work Session 6/7/23 @ 10:00 <b>LOB Room 206-208</b>				
<a href="#">HB 156</a> David Meuse	<b>relative to misconduct by a law enforcement officer.</b> This bill adds misrepresentation and misidentification to the definition of misconduct by a law enforcement officer.	<b>No Position</b> 2/21/23	Monitor/ Kevin	Criminal Justice 2/9/23 @ 10:15 Exec Session 2/24/23 @ 9:00: OTP/A <a href="#">#0682h</a> 20-0 Consent LOB Room 202-204	<a href="#">3/9/23:</a> OTP/A <a href="#">#0682h</a> MA VV	Judiciary 4/25/23 @ 1:15 Exec'd: 3-2 SH Room 100	<a href="#">5/11/23:</a> <b>ITL</b> <b>MA RC</b> <b>14-10</b>	

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<a href="#">HB 205</a> David Meuse	<b>relative to testing private wells.</b> This bill requires that installers of new well pumps test the water for certain contaminants. This bill also requires that property buyers be notified of the presence of certain contaminants in well water before the execution of a contract for purpose.	<b>No Position</b> 2/21/23	Monitor	<b>RR&amp;D</b> 2/1/23 @ 10:45 Exec Session 2/8/23 @ 10:30 Work Session Cancelled for 3/1/23 @ 2:35 Exec Session 3/8/23 @ 11:00: Without Recommendation LOB Room 305-307	<b><u>3/23/23:</u></b> <b>Tabled</b> <b>MA VV</b>			
<a href="#">HB 208-FN</a>	<b>establishing greenhouse gas emission reduction goals for the state and establishing a climate action plan.</b>	<b>No Position</b> 2/21/23	Monitor	<b>ST&amp;E</b> 1/30/23 @ 11:00 Exec Session 2/16/23 @ 1:00: Without Recommendation LOB Room 302-304	<b><u>3/16/23:</u></b> <b>ITL</b> <b>MA DV</b> <b>192-191</b>			

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<b>**<a href="#">HB 221</a></b> Peter Bixby	<b>(3<sup>rd</sup> New Title) relative to the acquisition of agricultural land development rights and relative to the use of game cameras.</b> This bill requires that agricultural land development rights purchased by the department of agriculture, markets and food shall be held in the name of the state of New Hampshire or the deed shall stipulate that the state has the right to enforce the terms of the deed. It also adds one voting member from the New Hampshire Land Trust Coalition to the agricultural lands preservation committee. This bill also adds a definition of "game camera" and permits the use of a game camera to take or attempt to take a game animal or fur-bearing animal.	<b>Support</b> 2/21/23	Dan	<b>Enviro &amp; Ag</b> 1/17/23 @ 10:00 Exec Session 1/31/23 @ 10:30 Work Session 2/7/23 @ 9:00 2/28/23 @ 9:30 Exec Session 2/28/23 @ 1:30: OTP/A <a href="#">#0701h</a> 18-0 Consent LOB Room 301-303 LOB Room 201-203 C of C 6/21/23 @ 9:30 LOB Room 301-303 C of C <a href="#">Report</a>	<a href="#">3/16/23:</a> OTP/A <a href="#">#0701h</a> MA VV <a href="#">6/12/23:</a> Non- Concurs C of C <a href="#">6/29/23:</a> Removed from Consent; <a href="#">Report</a> <b>Adopted</b> VV	<b>Energy</b> 5/23/23 @ 9:45 Exec'd: OTP/A <a href="#">#1996s</a> 4-0 SH Room 103 C of C <a href="#">Report</a>	<a href="#">6/1/23:</a> OTP/A <a href="#">#1996s</a> and Flr. Amds. <a href="#">#2068s</a> (NT) <a href="#">#2079s</a> (NT) MA VV <a href="#">6/7/23:</a> Recon. MA VV OTP/A Flr. Amd. <a href="#">#2136</a> MA VV <a href="#">6/15/23:</a> Accedes <a href="#">6/29/23:</a> <a href="#">Report</a> <b>Adopted</b> VV	

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<a href="#">HB 232-FN</a> Brian Sullivan	<b>adopting section 1910 OSHA standards for public sector employees in New Hampshire.</b> This bill incorporates by reference certain OSHA standards applicable to public employees in New Hampshire. The bill also establishes a legislative subcommittee to meet with department of labor employees regarding the state's public sector safety and health program. The bill is a request of the study committee established in 2021, 216:1 (HB 448)	<b>No Position</b> 2/21/23	Monitor	<b>Labor</b> 1/26/23 @ 1:00 Work Session 2/16/23 @ 1:00 3/2/23 @ 10:00 Exec Session 3/15/23 @ 2:15: <b>Retained</b> Work Session 6/23/23 @ 1:00 <b>LOB Room 305-307</b>				
<a href="#">HB 247-FN</a> Mark McConkey	<b>relative to protective well radii.</b> This bill removes encroachment waivers, requires the use of a setback reduction form, and removes certain requirements for amended septic system plans.	<b>No Position</b> 2/21/23	Monitor	<b>RR&amp;D</b> 1/25/23 @ 1:45 Exec Session 2/8/23 @ 10:30: OTP 19-0 Consent LOB Room 305-307	<a href="#">2/23/23:</a> OTP MA VV	<b>Energy</b> 3/28/2023 @ 9:15 Exec'd: OTP 3-0 SH Room 103	<a href="#">5/11/23:</a> OTP MA VV	<b>Ch. 123 Signed 6/30/23 Eff. 8/29/23</b>
<a href="#">HB 254</a> Alexis Simpson	<b>relative to remote participation in public meetings under the right to know law.</b> This bill modifies the requirements for remote participation in public meetings under the right to know law.	<b>No Position</b> 2/21/23	Monitor	Judiciary 1/19/23 @ 11:00 Exec Session 2/1/23 @ 9:00: ITL 13-7 LOB Room 206-208	<a href="#">2/23/23:</a> ITL MA VV			

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<a href="#">HB 266</a> Carol McGuire	<b>relative to notice and public access requirements for hybrid and virtual agency public comment hearings for rulemaking.</b> This bill amends the administrative procedure act to insert notice and public access requirements for hybrid and virtual agency public hearings.	<b>No Position</b> 2/21/23	Monitor	<b>ED&amp;A</b> 1/19/23 @ 10:00 Exec Session 2/8/23 @ 1:30: OTP 19-0 Consent LOB Room 306-308	<b>2/14/23:</b> OTP MA VV	<b>Judiciary</b> 4/18/23 @ 1:00 Exec'd: OTP 5-0 Consent SH Room 100	<b>5/11/23:</b> OTP MA VV	<b>Ch. 125 Signed 6/30/23 Eff. 8/29/23</b>
<a href="#">HB 274</a> Laurie Sanborn	<b>relative to the administrative rulemaking process.</b> This bill makes various changes to the administrative procedures act, including verify that the rule complies with the underlying statutory authority; expanding the scope of fiscal impact statements; requiring that proposed rules be submitted to the appropriate legislative policy committee for approval; permitting JLCAR to deny adoption of a rule following final objection, and repealing certain exemptions.	<b>Oppose</b> 1/17/23	Marty	<b>ED&amp;A</b> 2/1/23 @ 1:00 LOB Room 306-308 Work Session 2/21/23 @ 10:00 LOB Room 104 Exec Session 3/8/23 @ 1:30: <b>Retained</b> Work Session 6/27/23 @ 10:00 <b>LOB Room 302-304</b>				

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<a href="#">HB 302-FN-A</a> David Love	<b>relative to including education in the United States Constitution, the Bill of Rights, and the New Hampshire constitution for New Hampshire law enforcement.</b> This bill requires the police standards and training council to provide each candidate for a law enforcement position with a minimum of 8 hours of education on the United States Constitution and the Bill of Rights and 8 hours of training on the New Hampshire constitution as a condition of graduation.	<b>No Position</b> 2/21/23	Monitor	Criminal Justice 1/20/23 @ 10:45 Exec Session 2/3/23 @ 9:00: ITL 20-0 Consent LOB Room 202-204	<a href="#">2/14/23:</a> <b>ITL</b> <b>MA VV</b>			
<a href="#">HB 308</a> Frances Nutter-Upham	<b>relative to a quorum for meetings open to the public to include remote presence.</b> This bill allows for certain state boards to vote to allow one or more members to participate in a meeting remotely when physical attendance at the meeting site is not reasonably practicable and permits members of the public to participate remotely in these remote meetings.	<b>Support</b> 1/17/23	Marty	<b>Judiciary</b> 1/19/23 @ 1:30 Exec Session 2/1/23 @ 9:00: OTP/A <a href="#">#0240h</a> LOB Room 206-208	<a href="#">2/23/23:</a> OTP/A <a href="#">#0240h</a> MA DV 222-127 <a href="#">6/15/23:</a> <b>Concurs</b> <b>MA RC</b> <b>271-98</b>	<b>Judiciary</b> 4/25/23 @ 2:00 Exec'd: OTP/A <a href="#">#1562s</a> 5-0 Consent SH Room 100	<a href="#">5/11/23:</a> OTP/A <a href="#">#1562s</a> MA VV	



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<a href="#">HB 314-FN</a> Keith Erf	<b>relative to the expectation of privacy in the collection and use of personal information.</b> This bill regulates the collection, retention, and use of personal information and establishes a cause of action for violations of an individual's expectation of privacy in personal information.	<b>No Position</b> 2/21/23	Monitor	<b>Judiciary</b> 1/19/23 @ 10:00 Exec Session 2/1/23 @ 9:00: <b>Retained</b> <b>Work Session</b> 6/7/23 @ 10:00 6/28/23 @ 10:00 <b>LOB Room 206-208</b>				
<a href="#">HB 321-FN-L</a> Josh Yokela	<b>relative to minutes from nonpublic sessions under the right to know law.</b> This bill requires public bodies to review meeting minutes withheld from public disclosure at least every 10 years to determine whether they should continue to be withheld. Minutes not reviewed after 10 years shall be made public.	<b>Oppose</b> 1/17/23	Marty	<b>Judiciary</b> 1/19/23 @ 2:00 Exec Session 2/1/23 @ 9:00: OTP 20-0 Consent LOB Room 206-208	<a href="#">2/14/23:</a> OTP MA VV <a href="#">6/15/23:</a> <b>Concurs</b> <b>MA VV</b>	<b>Judiciary</b> 3/28/2023 @ 2:00 Exec Session 5/9/23 @ 1:00: OTP/A # <a href="#">1729s</a> 5-0 Consent SH Room 100	<a href="#">5/18/23:</a> OTP/A <a href="#">#1729s</a> MA VV	
<a href="#">HB 326-FN</a> Gerri Cannon	<b>prohibiting the use of second generation anticoagulant rodenticides.</b> This bill prohibits the use of second generation anticoagulant rodenticides, except in certain cases.	<b>No Position</b> 1/17/23	Dan	<b>Enviro &amp; Ag</b> 1/24/23 @ 1:30 Work Session 2/7/23 @ 10:00 Exec Session 2/7/23 @ 10:45: <b>Retained</b> <b>LOB Room 301-303</b>				

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<a href="#">HB 347-FN</a> Bob Lynn	<b>establishing a superior court land use review docket.</b> This bill establishes the land use review docket in the superior court.	<b>No Position</b> 2/21/23	Monitor	Judiciary 1/19/23 @ 2:30 Exec Session 2/1/23 @ 9:00: OTP/A # <a href="#">0117h</a> LOB Room 206-208 <b>Finance</b> Work Session 2/21/23 @ 11:00 3/3/23 @ 10:30 Exec Session 3/20/23 @ 1:00: <b>Retained</b> <b>LOB Room 210-211</b>	<a href="#">2/14/23:</a> OTP/A # <a href="#">0117h</a> MA VV; 2 <sup>nd</sup> Cmte			

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<a href="#">HB 358</a> Carol McGuire	<p><b>(2<sup>nd</sup> New Title) relative to the filing and adoption of proposed administrative rules and relative to overpayment of unemployment compensation and relative to policies relating to nursing mothers.</b></p> <p>This bill makes various changes to the procedures for the filing and adoption of proposed administrative rules, and establishes minimum work place supports for nursing mothers. The bill also makes a technical correction to SB 44-FN if it becomes law. The bill also provides that the state shall not charge interest on the collection of an overpayment of unemployment compensation unless the person knowingly or willfully made a false statement in their application for benefits.</p>	<b>Oppose</b> 1/17/23	Marty	<p><b>ED&amp;A</b></p> <p>2/1/23 @ 11:15 LOB Room 306-308 Work Session</p> <p>2/21/23 @ 10:15 LOB Room 104 Exec Session</p> <p>3/8/23 @ 1:30: OTP/A <a href="#">#0648h</a></p> <p>20-0 Consent LOB Room 306-308 C of C</p> <p>6/19/23 @ 2:00 LOB Room 306-309 C of C <a href="#">Report</a></p>	<p><a href="#">3/16/23:</a> OTP/A <a href="#">#0648h</a> MA VV <a href="#">6/12/23:</a> Non-Concurs C of C <a href="#">6/29/23:</a> <a href="#">Report</a> <b>Adopted</b> VV</p>	<p><b>ED&amp;A</b></p> <p>4/6/23 @ 10:00 Exec Session</p> <p>5/17/23 @ 9:00: OTP/A <a href="#">#2072s</a> SH Room 103 C of C <a href="#">Report</a></p>	<p><a href="#">6/1/23:</a> S/O to <a href="#">6/8/23:</a> OTP/A <a href="#">#2072s</a> and (NT) Flr Amds <a href="#">#2172s</a> <a href="#">#2081s</a> <a href="#">#2156s</a> MA VV <a href="#">6/15/23:</a> Accedes <a href="#">6/29/23:</a> <a href="#">Report</a> <b>Adopted</b> VV</p>	

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<a href="#">HB 442-FN</a> Greg Hill	<b>(2<sup>nd</sup> New Title) relative to the removal of derelict fishing gear.</b> This bill requires the executive director of the department of fish and game to schedule events for the collection, retrieval, and disposal of derelict fishing gear in coastal waters and making an appropriation therefor. This bill also requires the executive director of the department of fish and game to make a report to the house and senate standing committees with jurisdiction over derelict fishing gear.	<b>Oppose</b> 1/17/23 <i>Oppose both Amends.</i> 5-0	Cheri/ Michael E	<b>Fish and Game</b> 1/31/2023 @ 11:00 Hearing on Amd. <a href="#">#0709h</a> 3/7/23 @ 10:00 Exec Session 3/7/23 @ 1:00: OTP/A <a href="#">#0709h</a> (NT) 13-7 LOB Room 305-307 C of C 6/21/23 @ 10:30 LOB Room 301-303 C of C <a href="#">Report</a>	<a href="#">3/23/23:</a> OTP/A <a href="#">#0709h</a> MA RC 275-100 <a href="#">6/12/23:</a> Non- Concurs C of C <a href="#">6/29/23:</a> <a href="#">Report</a> <b>Adopted</b> VV	<b>Energy</b> 4/4/23 @ 9:00 Reconvened 4/11/23 @ 9:45 Possible Exec Session 5/16/23 @ 9:00: OTP/A <a href="#">#1885s</a> (NT) SH Room 103 <b>Finance</b> Exec'd: OTP 5-1 C of C <a href="#">Report</a>	<a href="#">5/18/23:</a> OTP/A <a href="#">#1885s</a> MA VV; 2 <sup>nd</sup> Cmte <a href="#">6/1/23:</a> OTP MA VV <a href="#">6/15/23:</a> Accedes <a href="#">6/29/23:</a> <a href="#">Report</a> <b>Adopted</b> VV	
<a href="#">HB 472</a> Karel Crawford	<b>relative to the placement of temporary seasonal docks.</b> This bill prohibits a wetlands permitting exception for temporary seasonal docks which impact any wildlife species, threatened species, or endangered species in accordance with the endangered species conservation act.	<b>Oppose</b> 1/17/23	Mike M./ Dan	<b>RR&amp;D</b> 1/25/23 @ 1:00 Exec Session 2/8/23 @ 10:30: <b>Retained</b> <b>LOB Room 305-307</b>				

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<a href="#">HB 474-FN</a> Tom Mannion	<b>relative to enforcement of federal firearms laws and establishing penalties.</b> This bill prohibits the enforcement of any federal law or rule that might impair a person's natural right to firearm ownership and natural right to self-defense and requires any public official who attempts to enforce such a federal law to be terminated from their position.	<b>No Position</b> 2/21/23	Monitor	<b>Criminal Justice</b> 2/8/23 @ 3:15 SH Reps' Hall Exec Session 2/16/23 @ 9:00: ITL 20-0 Consent LOB Room 202-204	<b>3/9/23:</b> <b>ITL</b> <b>MA VV</b>			
<a href="#">HB 481-FN</a> Josh Yokela	<b>relative to arrest warrants and search warrants.</b> This bill requires that the state disclose any prior evidence used to obtain either an arrest warrant or a search warrant, and whether a prior arrest or search warrant was denied based on the evidence being submitted in requesting a new arrest or search warrant.	<b>No Position</b> 2/21/23	Monitor/ Kevin	<b>Criminal Justice</b> 2/9/23 @ 1:00 Exec Session 2/24/23 @ 9:00: ITL 19-1 Consent LOB Room 202-204	<b>3/9/23:</b> <b>ITL</b> <b>MA VV</b>			
<a href="#">HB 493</a> Peter Bixby	<b>eliminating the state meat inspection program.</b> This bill eliminates the state meat inspection program. This bill is a request of the department of agriculture, markets, and food.	<i>Staff Recomm: No Position</i>	Monitor/ Scott	<b>Enviro &amp; Ag</b> Exec Session 2/28/23 @ 1:30: <b>Retained</b> <b>LOB Room 301-303</b>				

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<a href="#">HB 498-FN</a> J.R. Hoell	<b>requiring fish and game officers to obtain a warrant to conduct a search and seizure.</b> This bill requires conservation officers to obtain a search warrant for conducting certain enforcement operations.	<b>Oppose</b> 1/17/23	Kevin/ Dave	Criminal Justice 1/27/23 @ 10:45 am Exec Session 2/10/23 @ 11:00: ITL 19-1 Consent LOB Room 202-204	<a href="#">2/23/23:</a> Removed from Consent <b>ITL</b> <b>MA RC</b> <b>233-113</b> <a href="#">3/9/23:</a> Re- Consider MF RC 117-256			
<a href="#">HB 503-FN</a> Dan Hynes	<b>relative to the rights afforded to a person accused of a crime.</b> This bill codifies certain rights of an accused person in the criminal process, increases the penalty assessment in cases involving charges related to an alcohol or controlled drug offense, and requires those penalty assessments to be used by the state crime lab.	<b>No Position</b> 2/21/23	Monitor/ Kevin	Criminal Justice 1/27/23 @ 3:00 Exec Session 2/24/23 @ 9:00: ITL 20-0 Consent LOB Room 202-204	<a href="#">3/23/23:</a> <b>ITL</b> <b>MA VV</b>			
<a href="#">HB 592-FN</a>	<b>relative to buffers around wetlands.</b> This bill exempts temporary impacts and small impervious surface impacts projects from local over lay districts and permits for construction, excavation, or filling near wetlands.	<b>No Position</b> 2/21/23	Monitor/ Dan	RR&D 2/1/23 @ 2:30 Exec Session 2/8/23 @ 10:30: ITL 19-0 Consent LOB Room 305-307	<a href="#">2/23/23:</a> <b>ITL</b> <b>MA VV</b>			

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<a href="#">HB 602-FN</a> Matthew Simon	<b>relative to landfill siting.</b> This bill establishes additional requirements for siting of landfills as permitted by the department of environmental services.	<b>No Position</b> 2/21/23	Monitor/ Dan	<b>Enviro &amp; Ag</b> 2/21/23 @ 2:30 Work Session 2/28/23 @ 9:30 Exec Session 2/28/23 @ 1:30: <b>Retained</b> <b>LOB Room 301-303</b>				
<a href="#">HB 609-FN</a> Michael Vose	<b>relative to energy facility siting.</b> This bill establishes the regulation of energy facility siting within the public utilities commission and establishes new procedures to replace the site evaluation committee.	<b>No Position</b> 2/21/23	Monitor	<b>ST&amp;E</b> 3/7/23 @ 9:00 3/13/23 @ 9:00 Exec Session 3/13/23 @ 10:30: <b>Retained</b> <b>LOB Room 302-304</b>				
<a href="#">HB 647-FN</a> Tony Lekas	<b>relative to causes of action for individual rights.</b> This bill establishes a cause of action against the state for violations against individual rights.	<b>No Position</b> 2/21/23	Monitor/ Marty	<b>Judiciary</b> 1/26/23 @ 2:30 Exec Session 2/8/23 @ 11:00 AND 2/9/23 @ 9:00: ITL 16-3 LOB Room 206-208	<a href="#">3/9/23:</a> <b>Tabled</b> <b>MA DV</b> <b>333-37</b>			

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<a href="#">HB 650-FN</a> Laura Telerski	<b>relative to prohibiting suspension of driver's licenses due to nonpayment of fines or fees.</b> This bill modifies the circumstances under which a driver's license may be suspended or revoked for nonpayment of fines, fees, or restitution; removes suspension of a driver's license or privilege as a sentencing punishment for nonpayment of fines, fees, or restitution; and authorizes the commissioner of safety to expunge the records of individuals covered by this bill.	<b>No Position</b> 2/21/23	Monitor/ Kevin	<b>Transportation</b> 1/24/23 @ 1:00 pm Exec Session 1/31/23 @ 1:00: <b>Retained</b> <b>LOB Room 201-203</b>				
<a href="#">HB 652-FN</a> Katherine Prudhomme-O'Brien	<b>relative to nonpublic sessions under the right to know law.</b> This bill provides that, when a public body goes into nonpublic session to discuss matters likely to adversely affect an individual's reputation, the person affected shall be given notice of the meeting and an opportunity to attend, be represented by counsel and speak on their own behalf.	<b>No Position</b> 2/21/23	Monitor/ Marty	<b>Judiciary</b> 2/16/23 @ 3:00 SH Reps' Hall Exec Session 3/8/23 @ 10:00: <b>Retained</b> Work Session 6/7/23 @ 10:00 <b>LOB Room 206-208</b>				



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<b>**<a href="#">SB 12</a></b> David Watters	<b>relative to the leasing of seasonal camp lots by the fish and game department.</b> This bill allows the executive director of fish and game to lease certain seasonal camp lots on fish and game lands, and changes the requirements for approval of short-term leases and contracts of the department	<b>Support</b> Oct. 2022	Betsey	<b>Energy</b> 1/17/23 @ 9:00 Exec'd 1/17: OTP 5-0 Consent SH Room 103	<b><a href="#">1/19/23:</a></b> OTP MA VV	<b>Fish and Game</b> 4/4/23 @ 10:00 Exec'd 4/4: OTP 11-0 Consent LOB Room 305-307	<b><a href="#">5/4/23:</a></b> OTP MA VV	<b>Ch. 48</b> <b>Signed</b> <b>6/1/23</b> <b>Eff.</b> <b>7/1/23</b>
<b>**<a href="#">SB 13-FN</a></b> David Watters	<b>relative to recovery of search and rescue expenses.</b> This bill amends the procedure for suspension or revocation of a driver's license for nonpayment of search and rescue recovery expenses and provides for an appeal of such decision.	<b>Support</b> Oct. 2022	Kevin/ Dave	<b>Energy</b> 1/10/23 @ 9:15 Exec'd 1/10: OTP 4-0 SH Room 103	<b><a href="#">1/19/23:</a></b> OTP MA VV	<b>Transportation</b> 4/18/23 @ 9:30 Exec Session 5/16/23 @ 10:00: <b>Retained</b> <b>LOB Room 201-203</b>		

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<b>**<a href="#">SB 14-FN</a></b> David Watters	<b>(New Title) relative to the use of game cameras and relative to penalties for controlled drug violations.</b> This bill adds a definition of "game camera" and permits the use of a game camera to take or attempt to take a game animal or fur-bearing animal. This bill changes the penalty for certain schedule I, II, III, and IV drug offenses.	Support Oct. 2022	Kevin/ Dave	Energy 1/10/23 @ 9:30 Exec'd 1/10: OTP 4-0 SH Room 103 C of C 6/21/23 @ 1:00 SH Room 100 <b>Report Not Filed (Bill Dies)</b>	<a href="#">1/19/23:</a> OTP MA VV <a href="#">6/15/23:</a> Non- Concurs C of C	Fish and Game 4/4/23 @ 10:45 Exec Session 4/25/23 @ 10:00: OTP 10-9 LOB Room 305-307 Criminal Justice 5/17/23 @ 10:00 Exec Session 5/17/23 @ 11:30 OTP 20-0 Consent "Continued" Exec Session 5/31/23 @ 10:00: OTP/A # <a href="#">2074h</a> (NT) 17-1 Consent LOB Room 202-204 <b>Report Not Filed (Bill Dies)</b>	<a href="#">5/4/23:</a> OTP/A Flr. Amd. # <a href="#">1520h</a> MA VV; 2 <sup>nd</sup> Cmte <a href="#">6/8/23:</a> OTP/A # <a href="#">2074h</a> MA VV <a href="#">6/15/23:</a> Accedes	
<b>**<a href="#">SB 15-FN</a></b> Howard Pearl	<b>relative to the use of tree stands and observation blinds.</b> This bill amends the permissible uses of tree stands, observation blinds, and pit blinds.	Support Oct. 2022	Kevin/ Dave	<b>Energy</b> 1/10/23 @ 9:45 Exec'd 1/10: OTP 4-0 SH Room 103 C of C 6/21/23 @ 1:30 SH Room 100 C of C <a href="#">Report</a>	<a href="#">1/19/23:</a> OTP MA VV <a href="#">6/15/23:</a> Non- Concurs C of C <a href="#">6/29/23:</a> <b>Report Adopted VV</b>	<b>Fish and Game</b> 4/4/23 @ 1:00 Exec Session 4/25/23 @ 10:00: OTP/A # <a href="#">1381h</a> 19-0 Consent Pulled off Consent LOB Room 305-307 <b>Criminal Justice</b> 5/17/23 @ 10:30 Exec Session 5/17/23 @ 11:30 OTP 20-0 Consent LOB Room 202-204 C of C <a href="#">Report</a>	<a href="#">5/4/23:</a> OTP/A # <a href="#">1381h</a> MA VV; 2 <sup>nd</sup> Cmte <a href="#">6/8/23:</a> OTP MA VV <a href="#">6/15/23:</a> Accedes <a href="#">6/29/23:</a> <b>Report Adopted VV</b>	

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<b>**<a href="#">SB 17</a></b> Tim Lang	<b>establishing a gifts and donations account within the fish and game fund.</b> This bill provides that gifts, grants, and donations to the nongame species management fund shall not require the approval of the fish and game commission or the governor and council.	<b>Support</b> Oct. 2022	Mike M./ Dan	<b>Ways&amp;Means</b> 1/18/23 @ 9:30 Exec'd 1/18: OTP 3-0 SH Room 100	<b><a href="#">1/26/23:</a></b> OTP MA VV	<b>Ways&amp;Means</b> 4/18/23 @ 1:00 Exec Session 4/26/23 @ 1:30: OTP 20-0 Consent LOB Room 202-204	<b><a href="#">5/4/23:</a></b> OTP MA VV	<b>Ch. 49</b> <b>Signed</b> <b>6/1/23</b> <b>Eff.</b> <b>7/31/23</b>
<b>**<a href="#">SB 18</a></b> Tim Lang	<b>relative to the purchase of duck stamps and the suspension or revocation of a license issued by the fish and game commission.</b> This bill permits evidence of the purchase of an electronic duck stamp to legally take migratory waterfowl and adds a conviction for unauthorized use of a firearm as grounds for suspension or revocation of a hunting, fishing, or trapping license.	<b>Support</b> Oct. 2022	Dave/ Kevin	<b>Ways&amp;Means</b> 1/18/23 @ 9:45 Exec'd 1/18: OTP 3-0 SH Room 100	<b><a href="#">1/26/23:</a></b> OTP MA VV	<b>Fish and Game</b> 4/4/23 @ 10:15 Exec'd 4/4: OTP 11-0 Consent LOB Room 305-307	<b><a href="#">5/4/23:</a></b> OTP MA VV	<b>Ch. 50</b> <b>Signed</b> <b>6/1/23</b> <b>Eff.</b> <b>7/31/23</b>

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<a href="#">SB 23</a> Dan Innis	<b>establishing a study committee on meat processing.</b> This bill establishes a committee to study federal laws regarding meat processing and inspection and best practices for farms looking to process for sale meat from non-amenable species; identify other states currently exempting non-amenable species from inspection; and examine other states' meat inspection program.	<b>No Position</b> 2/21/23	Monitor/ Scott	<b>Commerce</b> 1/10/23 @ 9:30 Exec'd 1/12: OTP/A <a href="#">#0031s</a> SH Room 100	<a href="#">1/19/23:</a> OTP/A <a href="#">#0031s</a> MA VV	<b>Enviro &amp; Ag</b> 4/25/23 @ 9:30 Exec Session 5/9/23 @ 1:00: OTP 19-0 Consent LOB Room 301-303	<a href="#">5/18/23:</a> OTP MA VV	<b>Ch. 94</b> <b>Signed</b> <b>6/20/23</b> <b>Eff.</b> <b>6/20/23</b>
<a href="#">SB 56-FN</a> David Watters	<b>(New Title) relative to payments for restoration of certain jurisdictional resource losses.</b> This bill establishes a method for the department of environmental services to determine the compensatory payments for upland resource losses.	<b>No Position</b> 2/21/23	Monitor/ Dan	<b>Energy</b> 1/17/23 @ 9:45 Exec'd 2/2: OTP/A <a href="#">#0404s</a> (NT) SH Room 103 <b>Finance</b> Exec'd 2/22: OTP 7-0	<a href="#">2/9/23:</a> OTP/A <a href="#">#0404s</a> MA VV; 2 <sup>nd</sup> Cmte <a href="#">3/9/23:</a> OTP MA VV	<b>RR&amp;D</b> 4/12/23 @ 9:00 Exec Session 5/3/23 @ 10:30: OTP 19-0 Consent LOB Room 305-307	<a href="#">5/18/23:</a> OTP MA VV	<b>Ch. 142</b> <b>Signed</b> <b>6/30/23</b> <b>Eff.</b> <b>6/30/23</b>

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<a href="#">SB 122-FN-A</a> Kevin Avard	<b>relative to construction of a public pier on Hampton Beach and making an appropriation therefor.</b> This bill appropriates \$22,000,000 to the department of natural and cultural resources for the siting, permitting, design, and construction of a public pier at Hampton Beach.	<b>No Position</b> 2/21/23	Cheri/ Dan/ Mike M.	<b>Finance</b> 1/31/23 @ 1:20 Exec Session 3/15/23 @ 1:00: OTP/A # <a href="#">1034s</a> 4-3 SH Room 103	<a href="#">3/23/23:</a> <b>Tabled</b> MA VV			
<b>**</b> <a href="#">SB 160-FN</a> Howard Pearl	<b>(New Title) relative to the use of OHRVs on designated trails.</b> This bill prohibits the operation of OHRVs for recreational purposes on designated trails.	<b>Support</b> Oct. 2022	Michael E	<b>Energy</b> 1/31/23 @ 9:30 Exec'd 1/31: OTP 4-0 SH Room 103	<a href="#">2/9/23:</a> OTP MA VV <a href="#">6/15/23:</a> <b>Concurs</b> MA VV	<b>RR&amp;D</b> 4/19/23 @ 10:30 Exec Session 5/3/23 @ 10:30: OTP/A # <a href="#">1519h</a> 20-0 Consent 5/16/23: Pulled from Consent LOB Room 305-307	<a href="#">6/8/23:</a> OTP/A # <a href="#">1519h</a> MA VV	
<a href="#">SB 164-FN-L</a> David Watters	<b>(New Title) relative to consideration of biodiversity in the land and community heritage investment program.</b> This bill defines biodiversity and requires its inclusion in certain land use regulations.	<b>Oppose</b> 2/21/23	Dan	<b>Energy</b> 1/31/23 @ 9:45 <b>Exec'd:</b> OTP/A # <a href="#">0554</a> (NT) 5-0 Consent SH Room 103	<a href="#">2/22/23:</a> OTP/A # <a href="#">0554</a> MA VV	<b>RR&amp;D</b> 4/19/23 @ 1:00 Exec Session 5/3/23 @ 10:30: ITL 16-4 LOB Room 305-307	<a href="#">5/18/23:</a> <b>Tabled</b> MA VV	
<a href="#">SB 226</a> David Watters	<b>relative to the use of bait for hunting bear.</b> This bill authorizes rules to be adopted for the use of bait in hunting black bear.	<b>Oppose</b> 2/21/23	Dan	Energy 2/14/23 @ 9:30 ITL 5-0 Consent SH Room 103	<a href="#">2/22/23:</a> <b>ITL</b> MA VV			

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<a href="#">SB 228-FN</a> David Watters	<b>relative to the Hilton Park boat ramp.</b> This bill directs the Pease Development Authority, the department of fish and game and the department of transportation to study repairs to the Hilton Park boat ramp in Dover and the construction of a new dock facility for use by the public.	<b>Oppose</b> 2/21/23	Garret	<b>Energy</b> 2/7/23 @ 9:45 Exec'd 2/7: OTP/A # <a href="#">0403s</a> 5-0 Consent SH Room 103	<a href="#">2/22/23:</a> OTP/A # <a href="#">0403s</a> MA VV <a href="#">6/15/23:</a> <b>Concurs</b> MA VV	<b>Public Works</b> 4/13/23 @ 3:00 Exec Session 5/9/23 @ 10:00: OTP/A # <a href="#">1462h</a> 18-0 Consent LOB Room 201-203	<a href="#">6/8/23:</a> OTP/A # <a href="#">1462h</a> MA VV	
<a href="#">SB 256-FN</a> Ruth Ward	<b>establishing a safety program for off-highway recreational vehicles.</b>	<b>Support</b> 2/21/23	Michael E	<b>Transportation</b> 1/31/23 @ 1:45 Exec'd 2/2: OTP/A # <a href="#">0425s</a> LOB Room 101 <b>Finance</b> OTP/A # <a href="#">1025s</a> 7-0	<a href="#">2/9/23:</a> OTP/A # <a href="#">0425s</a> MA VV; 2 <sup>nd</sup> Cmte <a href="#">3/23/23:</a> OTP/A # <a href="#">1025s</a> and Flr Amd. # <a href="#">1071s</a> MA VV <a href="#">6/15/23:</a> <b>Concurs</b> MA VV	<b>Transportation</b> 4/18/23 @ 11:30 Exec Session 5/16/23 @ 10:00: OTP/A # <a href="#">1570h</a> 15-5 LOB Room 201-203	<a href="#">6/8/23:</a> OTP/A # <a href="#">1570h</a> MA RC 186-179	