

	NEW HAMPSHIRE NURSES' ASSOCIATION	Approved	MEETING MINUTES
Committee:	Government Affairs Commission	Time called to order:	5:00 p.m.
Date:	January 17, 2017	Time adjourned:	6:31 p.m.
Presiding Officer:	Pam DiNapoli, Chair		
Members Present:	Cynthia Arcieri (via conference line)	Members Excused:	Lea Ayers LaFave
	Bobbie Bagley (via conference line)		Mary Bidgood-Wilson
	BJ Bockenbauer		Marilyn Daley
	Cynthia Cohen		Laurie Harding
	Barbara Cormier		Susan Smith
	Janice Deziel		Wendy Stanley Jones
	Jeannie Gonyer (via conference line)		
	Judy Joy (via conference line)		
	Briana White (via conference line)		
Staff Present:	Joan Widmer		
Others:			Robert Dunn
			Rep. Polly Campion
Recording Secretary:	Joan Widmer		

AGENDA ITEM	DISCUSSION	ACTION
Bill discussion	Discussed various bills circulated to membership, results of these discussions to follow:	
1. HB-153	Title: Manslaughter Charge for Heroin and Fentanyl Dealers Discussed by BJ Bockenbauer	Will monitor this bill, but not include on list of Top Bills for Legislative Forum.
2. HB-208	Title: Mental Health Procedures for Involuntary Commitment Discussed by BJ Bockenbauer	Will add to list of Top Bills for Legislative Forum. BJ Bockenbauer to prepare argument in support. BJ to attend Hearing on 1/18/17 at 2:15pm

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3. HB-215	Title: Commission to Study the Legalization of Marijuana Discussed by BJ Bockenbauer Briana White raised concern regarding impact on “Charlotte’s Web, a hemp derivative medication used in pediatric oncology.	Will monitor this bill, but not include on list of Tip Bills for Legislative Forum.
4. HB-322	Title: License Renewal Process for Health Care Providers Discussed by Polly Campion, one of the bills arising from Workforce Commission of last year.	Will add to list of Top Bills for Legislative Forum. Cynthia Cohen to prepare argument in support.
5. HB-279	Title: Smoking on Private Property Discussed by Bobbie Bagley Bob Dunn reported that this bill will not gain any traction, will likely be no longer active by next week.	Will monitor this bill, but not include on list of Tip Bills for Legislative Forum.
6. HB-361	Title: Authority Relative to Vaccine Requirements Discussed by Bobbie Bagley	Will add to list of Top Bills for Legislative Forum. Bobbie Bagley to prepare argument in opposition.
7. HB-362	Title: Immunization Requirements for Noncommunicable Diseases Discussed by Bobbie Bagley	Will add to list of Top Bills for Legislative Forum. Bobbie Bagley to prepare argument in opposition.
8. HB-264	Title: Oral Contraceptives Available Without a Prescription Discussed by Bobbie Bagley	This bill is concerning as written, could consider offering an amendment. BJ Bockenbauer to attend Hearing on 1/18/17 at 11am Will monitor this bill, but not include on list of Top Bills for Legislative Forum.
9. HB-256	Title: Self-Ordering of Laboratory Tests Discussed by Pam DiNapoli	This bill has similar concerns to HB-264. Will monitor this bill, but not include on list of Top Bills for Legislative Forum
10. HB-112	Title: Definition of E-Cigarette Discussed by Polly Campion	Will add to list of Top Bills for Legislative Forum. Pam DiNapoli to prepare argument in support.
11. HB-242	Title: Child Resistant Packaging for Electronic Cigarettes Discussed by Polly Campion	Will add to list of Top Bills for Legislative Forum. Pam DiNapoli to prepare argument in support
12. HB-250	Title: Benefits and Costs of a Health Care for All Program Discussed by group in general	Will monitor this bill. While not included in list of Top Bills for Legislative Forum will discuss issue of lack of nursing representation of propose commission. Pam DiNapoli to prepare this discussion.
13. HB-321	Title: Commission to Study a Public Option for Health Insurance Discussed by group in general	Will monitor this bill. While not included in list of Top Bills for Legislative Forum will discuss issue of lack of nursing representation of propose commission. Pam DiNapoli to prepare this discussion.

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14. LSR-0860	Title: relative to criminal history background checks for certain health care workers. Discussed by Polly Campion, one of the bills arising from Workforce Commission of last year. Final language not yet available, bill number not assigned.	Will add to list of Top Bills for Legislative Forum. Bob Dunn to email draft language. Briana White to prepare argument in support.
Testifying	Bob Dunn reported that legislators are more sway by constituents than lobbyist. Polly Campion agreed. We need to identify nurses that are willing to share their stories with lobbyist.	Joan Widmer to modify ballot for the Legislative Forum to solicit membership willing to help support a bill, requesting names and email addresses.
Upcoming Meetings	Next meeting is February 28, 2017	Representatives from our Specialty Groups will be joining us for this meeting to share their health policy issues and positions on the legislative issues.
Adjourned	Meeting adjourned at 6:31 p.m.	