New Hampshire Association of Fire Chiefs

2017 Legislation List Week ending 1/19/18



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Bill#	LSR #	Prime Sponsor	Title	Analysis	Position	Committee	Status
HB 1206	2017	Brewster	AN ACT relative to bonds for civil officers.	This bill replaces references to "employee" with "civil officer" in the statute governing bonds for public officials.	Watch	Executive Departments and Administration	1/3/18 To Be Introduced and referred to Executive Departments and Administration 1/17/18 Public Hearing: @ 11:00 AM LOB 306
HB 1207	2018	Brewster	AN ACT relative to public filing of bonds for public employees.	This bill requires all bonds to be filed with the department of administrative services and at the state library.	Watch	Executive Departments and Administration	1/3/18 To Be Introduced and referred to Executive Departments and Administration 1/17/18 Public Hearing: @ 1:00 PM LOB 306
HB 1211	2022	Gauthier	AN ACT relative to presite built housing.	This bill requires municipalities to afford reasonable opportunities for the siting of presite built housing.	Watch	Municipal and County Government	1/3/18 To Be Introduced and referred to Municipal and County Government 1/31/18 Public Hearing: @ 1:00 PM LOB 301 2/13/18 Executive Session: @ 10:00 AM LOB 301
HB 1214	2031	Chandler	AN ACT prohibiting the sale of certain furniture with flame retardant chemicals.	This bill prohibits the sale and distribution of new upholstered furniture for residential purposes if it contains certain flame retardant chemicals.	Support	Commerce and Consumer Affairs	1/3/18 To Be Introduced and referred to Commerce and Consumer Affairs 2/13/18 Public Hearing: @ 1:15 PM LOB 302
HB 1225	2140	Brewster	AN ACT relative to removal of public officers for cause.	This bill permits any member of the legislature to petition the governor and council for removal of certain public officials for cause.	Watch	Legislative Administration	1/3/18 To Be Introduced and referred to Legislative Administration 1/11/18 House Public Hearing held

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HB 1254	2279	Beaudoin	AN ACT establishing a committee to study the procedures for adoption of national codes by the state of New Hampshire.	This bill establishes a committee to study the procedures for adoption of national codes as part of the state building code and state fire code.	Watch	Executive Departments and Administration	1/3/18 To Be Introduced and referred to Executive Departments and Administration 1/11/18 H Public Hearing held
HB 1255	2280	Beaudoin	AN ACT relative to the state fire code.	This bill provides that the state fire code shall include adoption by reference of the 2009 edition of the Life Safety Code. It currently includes adoption by reference of the 2015 edition of the code.	Oppose	Executive Departments and Administration	1/3/18 To Be Introduced and referred to Executive Departments and Administration 1/11/18 H Public Hearing held
HB 1318	2423	Burt	AN ACT relative to permits required for certain fires.	This bill provides that a fire greater than 24 inches in height shall require a permit.	Oppose	Municipal and County Government	1/3/18 To Be Introduced and referred to Municipal and County Government 1/31/18 Public Hearing: @ 1:30 PM LOB 301 2/13/18 Executive Session: @ 10:00 AM LOB 301
HB 1327	2633	Beaudoin	AN ACT relative to apprentice electricians.	This bill increases the number of apprentice electricians that work for a journeyman or master electrician.	Watch	Executive Departments and Administration	1/3/18 To Be Introduced and referred to Executive Departments and Administration 1/25/18 Public Hearing: @ 11:30 AM LOB 306
HB 1339	2237	P. Schmidt	AN ACT relative to motorist duties when approaching highway emergencies.	This bill clarifies the speed reduction requirement when approaching highway emergencies.	Support	Transportation	1/3/18 To Be Introduced and referred to Transportation 2/13/18 Public Hearing: @ 1:30 PM LOB 203

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HB 1344	2310	Wuelper	AN ACT relative to collective bargaining under the right-to-know law.	This bill declares that public meeting for the purposes of the right-to-know law shall not include strategy with respect to collective bargaining if only one party is present. Current law allows strategy or negotiations with respect to collective bargaining to be exempted from the definition of public meeting.	Watch	Judiciary	1/3/18 To Be Introduced and referred to Judiciary 1/23/18 Public Hearing: @ 10:00 AM LOB 208
HB 1364	2487	Steven Smith	AN ACT relative to use of amber lights on vehicles.	This bill eliminates the authorization to use amber emergency lights towing or transporting a vehicle. This bill was requested by the department of safety	Watch	Transportation	1/3/18 To Be Introduced and referred to Transportation 1/10/18 H Public Hearing held
HB 1370	2537	Ladd	AN ACT relative to a school's emergency management plan.	This bill requires the department of education to provide a copy of a school's emergency management plan, as updated, to the director of homeland security and emergency management, department of safety.	Watch	Education	1/3/18 To Be Introduced and referred to Education 1/10/18 H Public Hearing held
HB 1391	2697	Weyler	AN ACT relative to municipal retention of employment files.	This bill reduces the time job application and personnel files must be retained by a municipality from 50 to 25 years after retirement or termination.	Watch	Municipal and County Government	1/3/18 To Be Introduced and referred to Municipal and County Government 2/2/18 Public Hearing: @ 1:30 PM LOB 301 2/20/18 Executive Session: @ 10:00 AM LOB 301
HB 1399	2230	Brewster	AN ACT relative to statutes of limitations in civil actions against public servants.	This bill designates a statute of limitations for civil actions brought against public servants.	Watch	Judiciary	1/3/18 To Be Introduced and referred to Judiciary 1/11/18 H Public Hearing held 1/18/18 Executive Session: @ 10:00 AM LOB 208

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HB 1400	2266	Costable	AN ACT relative to red light equipment on vehicles owned by dispatchers.	This bill authorizes red emergency lights on vehicles owned or leased by police dispatchers.	Watch	Transportation	1/3/18 To Be Introduced and referred to Transportation 2/20/18 Public Hearing: @ 10:30 AM LOB 203
HB 1416	2695	Weyler	AN ACT repealing the prohibition on bottle rockets.	This bill permits the retail sale of bottle rockets.	Oppose	Criminal Justice and Public Safety	1/3/18 To Be Introduced and referred to Criminal Justice and Public Safety 1/23/18 Public Hearing: @ 1:00 PM LOB 204
HB 1421	2275	Wallace	AN ACT relative to regulations for event tents.	This bill provides that event tents located on public property must comply with the state building code and state fire code. The bill exempts tents on private property from regulation under the state building code and state fire code.	Oppose	Executive Departments and Administration	1/3/18 To Be Introduced and referred to Executive Departments and Administration 1/11/18 H Public Hearing held
HB 1427	2511	Freeman	AN ACT relative to membership in the retirement system for certain officials.	This bill allows a school district governing body to exempt the superintendent of schools from compulsory membership in the retirement system.	Watch	Executive Departments and Administration	1/3/18 To Be Introduced and referred to Executive Departments and Administration 1/31/18 Public Hearing: @ 10:00 AM LOB 306
HB 1430	2617	Danielson	AN ACT relative to emergency medical services license and fine revenue.	This bill provides that certain fees and fines collected by the division of fire standards and training and emergency medical services shall be deposited in the fire standards and training and emergency medical services fund rather than the general fund. The bill is a request of the department of safety, division of fire standards and training and emergency medical services.	Support	Ways and Means	1/3/18 To Be Introduced and referred to Ways and Means CANCELED - 1/16/18 H Public Hearing: @ 2:00 PM LOB 202 1/30/18 RESCHEDULED Public Hearing: @ 11:00 AM LOB 202

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HB 1431	2013	J.R. Hoell	AN ACT prohibiting the state and political subdivisions from acquiring military-equipped vehicles or equipment which are not readily available in an open national commercial market.	This bill prohibits the state and its political subdivisions from acquiring military- equipped vehicles that are not available in an open commercial market.	Oppose	Municipal and County Government	1/3/18 To Be Introduced and referred to Municipal and County Government 1/23/18 Public Hearing: @ 10:00 AM LOB 301 1/23/18 Executive Session: @ 11:00 AM LOB 301
HB 1461	2336	Marple	AN ACT relative to penalties for unconstitutional actions by municipal officials.	This bill requires municipalities to follow constitutional mandates.	Watch	Municipal and County Government	To Be Introduced 01/03/2018 and referred to Municipal and County Government 1/17/18 Public Hearing: @ 2:00 PM LOB 301 1/25/18 Executive Session: @ 10:00 AM LOB 301
HB 1472	2420	M. MacKay	AN ACT relative to the state building code provisions for energy conservation in new building construction.	This bill requires the state building code review board to make available a form for showing compliance with energy provisions under the state building code. The bill also repeals RSA 155-D, the state code for energy conservation in new building construction.	Watch	Executive Departments and Administration	1/3/18 To Be Introduced and referred to Executive Departments and Administration 1/11/18 H Public Hearing held
HB 1545	2132	Eaton	AN ACT relative to the statewide interoperability executive committee.	This bill revises the membership of the statewide interoperability executive committee and the committee's executive management group.	Watch	Executive Departments and Administration	1/3/18 To Be Introduced and referred to Executive Departments and Administration 1/10/18 H Public Hearing held
HB 1603	2422	Proulx	AN ACT relative to employee representation on the independent investment committee in the New Hampshire retirement system.	This bill requires that one of the members on the independent investment committee of the retirement system be an active member employee appointed from a list of nominations.	Watch	Executive Departments and Administration	1/3/18 To Be Introduced and referred to Executive Departments and Administration 1/31/18 Public Hearing: @ 10:30 AM LOB 306

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HB 1607	2459	Gagnon	AN ACT relative to the appointment of a receiver for properties which are a threat to health and safety.	This bill adds the authority in the housing standards law for the appointment of a receiver by a court to remedy an unhealthful condition in a property which poses a threat to the health and safety of tenants or the public.	Watch	Commerce and Consumer Affairs	1/3/18 To Be Introduced and referred to Commerce and Consumer Affairs 2/6/18 Public Hearing: @ 1:15 PM LOB 302
HB 1635	2591	Butler	AN ACT allowing a license for short-term rentals.	This bill permits a town to enact a bylaw permitting the issuance of a license for the operation of a short term rental.	Watch	Commerce and Consumer Affairs	1/3/18 To Be Introduced and referred to Commerce and Consumer Affairs 2/6/18 Public Hearing: @ 2:00 PM LOB 302
HB 1655	2650	Hynes	AN ACT relative to fines for violations of town or city code violations.	This bill limits the amount of a civil penalty that may be assessed for first offense planning and zoning violations on residential property.	Watch	Municipal and County Government	1/3/18 To Be Introduced and referred to Municipal and County Government 1/23/18 Public Hearing: @ 10:30 AM LOB 301 1/23/18 Executive Session: @ 11:00 AM LOB 301
HB 1670	2148	Marple	AN ACT relative to bonds for public employees.	This bill permits certain inhabitants to have access to bonds issued to indemnify public and municipal employees and gives the bonding company an equitable remedy of subrogation. This bill also repeals the board of claims.	Watch	Executive Departments and Administration	1/3/18 To Be Introduced and referred to Executive Departments and Administration 1/17/18 Public Hearing: @ 11:30 AM LOB 306
HB 1676	2574	Phinney	AN ACT repealing the licensing requirement for open-air shows and repealing the laws related to the keeping of billiard tables.	This bill repeals the licensing requirement for open-air shows and repeals the laws related to the keeping of billiard tables.	Watch	Executive Departments and Administration	1/3/18 To Be Introduced and referred to Executive Departments and Administration 1/23/18 Public Hearing: @ 1:30 PM LOB 306

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HB 1684	2354	Danielson	AN ACT relative to criminal background checks for emergency medical services license applicants.	This bill modifies the requirement for a criminal history background check for applicants for emergency medical services licensure or relicensure by removing certain procedural requirements and exempting persons employed as law enforcement officers.	Watch	Executive Departments and Administration	1/3/18 To Be Introduced and referred to Executive Departments and Administration 2/1/18 Public Hearing: @ 2:00 PM LOB 306
HB 1726	2057	Buco	AN ACT relative to reimbursement to municipalities for certain search and rescue operations.	This bill requires reimbursement from the fish and game search and rescue fund to municipalities or village districts which conduct search and rescue missions.	Support	Fish and Game and Marine Resources	1/3/18 To Be Introduced and referred to Fish and Game and Marine Resources 1/23/18 Public Hearing: @ 1:00 PM LOB 307
HB 1730	2181	Cushing	AN ACT establishing a public safety enhancement revolving fund, establishing a grant program for body cameras worn by police, and creating prestige number vanity plates.	This bill establishes a public safety enhancement revolving fund, establishes a grant program for body cameras worn by police, and creates prestige number vanity plates.	Watch	Criminal Justice and Public Safety	1/3/18 To Be Introduced and referred to Criminal Justice and Public Safety 1/10/17 H Public Hearing held
HB 1740	2627	Hunt	AN ACT relative to costs of blood testing orders.	This bill repeals the provision relating to the costs of blood testing orders when certain individuals have been exposed to another person's bodily fluids.	Support	Commerce and Consumer Affairs	1/3/18 To Be Introduced and referred to Commerce and Consumer Affairs 1/16/18 Public Hearing: @ 1:15 PM LOB 302
HB 1752	2669	Hynes	AN ACT requiring a search warrant to obtain blood samples.	This bill requires a search warrant to obtain certain blood samples.	Watch	Criminal Justice and Public Safety	1/3/18 To Be Introduced and referred to Criminal Justice and Public Safety 1/23/18 Public Hearing: @10:00 AM LOB 204

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HB 1754	2059	J. Graham	AN ACT establishing a state defined contribution retirement plan for state and political subdivision members of the retirement system.	This bill establishes a state retirement plan for new members of the retirement system, who begin service on or after July 1, 2019, which is structured as a defined contribution plan. All new group I and group II members of the retirement system employed by the state and political subdivision employers on and after July 1, 2019 will be required to contribute to the defined contribution plan as administered by the state treasurer, the department of administrative services, and a benefits advisory committee.	Watch	Executive Departments and Administration	1/3/18 To Be Introduced and referred to Executive Departments and Administration 1/31/18 Public Hearing: @ 2:00 PM LOB 306
HB 1756	2196	Shurtleff	AN ACT relative to an additional allowance and a cost of living adjustment for retirees from the state retirement system.	This bill grants a one-time additional allowance to certain retirees in the state retirement system and makes a general fund appropriation therefor. The bill also grants a cost of living adjustment to such retirees contingent on the funding for the total actuarial cost therefor.	Watch	Finance	1/3/18 To Be Introduced and referred to Finance 1/10/18 H Public Hearing held 1/18/18 Division I Work Session: @ 9:30 AM LOB 212
HB 1757	2353	Danielson	AN ACT relative to the reduction in the calculation of state retirement system annuities at age 65.	This bill provides for the application of the reduction of a retiree's annuity at the member's full retirement age under the federal Social Security system.	Watch	Executive Departments and Administration	1/3/18 To Be Introduced and referred to Executive Departments and Administration 1/31/18 Public Hearing: @ 1:00 PM LOB 306

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HB 1759	2554	Sponsor Kurk	AN ACT regulating the use of drones.	This bill regulates the use of drones by government agencies and individuals. This bill establishes criminal penalties and civil remedies for violations of the law.	Watch	Executive Departments and Administration	1/3/18 To Be Introduced and referred to Executive Departments and Administration 2/6/18 Public Hearing: @ 1:30 PM LOB 306
HB 1767	2529	Chandley	AN ACT establishing a multiple employer public retirement plan.	This bill establishes a multiple employer public retirement plan commission to develop and implement a voluntary retirement plan for certain employees who do not have an employment retirement plan.	Watch	Executive Departments and Administration	1/3/18 To Be Introduced referred to Executive Departments and Administration 2/13/18 Public Hearing: @ 11:30 AM LOB 306
HB 1782	2461	Morrison	AN ACT relative to insurance payments for ambulance providers.	This bill requires insurers to reimburse ambulance providers directly.	Support	Commerce and Consumer Affairs	1/3/18 To Be Introduced and referred to Commerce and Consumer Affairs 1/16/18 Public Hearing: @ 2:30 PM LOB 302
HB 1805	3032	Ohm	AN ACT establishing a committee to study level dollar amortization of retirement system unfunded accrued liability.	This bill establishes a committee to study level dollar amortization of retirement system unfunded accrued liability. The bill is a request of the decennial retirement commission, established in RSA 100-A:57.	Watch	Executive Departments and Administration	1/3/18 To Be Introduced and referred to Executive Departments and Administration 2/13/18 Public Hearing: @ 10:30 AM LOB 306
HB 1823	3031	McGuire	AN ACT relative to layered amortization of retirement system liabilities.	This bill requires the retirement system to amortize annual unfunded liabilities accrued on or after July 1, 2017 separately from existing liabilities. This bill is a request of the decenniel retirement commission under RSA 100-A:57.	Watch	Executive Departments and Administration	1/3/18 To Be Introduced and referred to Executive Departments and Administration 2/13/18 Public Hearing: @ 10:00 AM LOB 306

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SB 317	2895	Carson	AN ACT relative to veterans' preference in public employment.	This bill requires a public employer who does not appoint a veteran or disabled veteran to a position to provide information on other public employment positions for which the veteran or disabled veteran may be qualified. The bill also requires a public employer to publish a list of other public employment jobs for which the veteran or disabled veteran may be qualified to apply.	Watch	Commerce	1/3/18 To Be Introduced and Referred to Commerce 1/16/18 S Hearing: @ 1:30 p.m., Room 100, SH
SB 324	2737	D'Allesandro	AN ACT allowing an optional retirement system allowance to include a subsequent remarriage of a divorced retiree.	This bill allows a retiree who terminated a retirement system optional allowance following divorce to nominate a current spouse after remarriage for a new optional allowance.	Watch	Executive Departments and Administration	1/3/18 To Be Introduced and Referred to Executive Departments and Administration 1/10/18 S Hearing held 1/18/18 Committee Report: OTP w/ Amendment #2018-0090s; Vote 5-03
SB 352	2905	Soucy	AN ACT relative to examinations of injured employees under workers' compensation law.	This bill allows an injured employee covered under workers' compensation who is dissatisfied with a determination by the employer or the employer's insurance carrier to obtain an independent examination. Current law limits this option to injured employees covered by a managed care organization.	Watch	Commerce	1/3/18 To Be Introduced and Referred to Commerce 1/16/18 S Hearing: @ 1:45 p.m., Room 100, SH

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SB 370	2739	Sponsor Reagan	AN ACT adopting	This bill adopts the	Watch	Executive	1/3/18 To Be Introduced and Referred to
SB 370	2139	Keagan	the emergency	emergency medical services	watch	Departments and	Executive Departments and Administration
			medical services	personnel licensure		Administration	Executive Departments and Administration
			personnel licensure	interstate compact.		7 Idining Hatron	1/10/18 S Hearing held
			interstate compact.				2, 20, 20 % 2200000
SB 374	2969	Kahn	AN ACT relative to	This bill exempts the	Oppose	Executive	1/3/18 To Be Introduced and Referred to
			adoption of	adoption of emergency		Departments and	Executive Departments and Administration
			emergency medical	medical and trauma services		Administration	
			and trauma services	protocols from the			
			protocols.	rulemaking process under			
				RSA 541-A.			
SB 420	2825	Daniels	AN ACT relative to	This bill declares that public	Watch	Commerce	1/3/18 To Be Introduced and Referred to
			collective	meeting for the purposes of			Commerce
			bargaining under the	the right-to-know law shall			
			right-to-know law.	not include strategy with			
				respect to collective			
				bargaining if only one party is present. Current law			
				allows strategy or			
				negotiations with respect to			
				collective bargaining to be			
				exempted from the			
				definition of public meeting.			
SB 456	2971	Kahn	AN ACT relative to	This bill requires the	Oppose	Executive	1/3/18 To Be Introduced and Referred to
52 100			the appointment of	commissioner of the	Оррозс	Departments and	Executive Departments and Administration
			the state medical	department of safety to		Administration	
			director for	appoint the state medical			
			emergency medical	director for emergency			
			services.	medical services.			
SB 458	2712	Birdsell	AN ACT	This bill provides for the	Watch	Executive	1/3/18 To Be Introduced and Referred to
			authorizing the	election by a certain		Departments and	Executive Departments and Administration
			purchase of	surviving spouse of a group		Administration	
			retirement system	II member to purchase up to			
			creditable service by	one month of creditable			
			a certain surviving	service.			
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SB 482	2788	Hennessey	AN ACT relative to	This bill establishes a	Watch	Health and Human	1/3/18 To Be Introduced and Referred to
			confidential	privacy committee to review		Services	Health and Human Services
			emergency medical	and approve requests for the			
			and trauma services	use of emergency medical and trauma services records			
			data.				
				data for research purposes.		1	

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SB 508	2908	Avard	AN ACT establishing a committee to study the prevalence of post-traumatic stress disorder (PTSD) among first responders.	This bill establishes a committee to study the prevalence of post-traumatic stress disorder among first responders.	Support	Public and Municipal Affairs	1/3/18 To Be Introduced and Referred to Public and Municipal Affairs 1/17/18 S Hearing: @ 9:45 a.m., Room 102, LOB
SB 541	2793	Innis	AN ACT establishing a fund to reimburse costs associated with firefighters who have cancer.	This bill establishes a fund to reimburse costs associated with firefighters who have cancer. The fund shall consist of moneys from an annual assessment by the insurance department against each carrier and self-insurer issuing homeowners and business insurance policies.		Finance	1/3/18 Introduced and Referred to Finance