



Legislative Recap

January 25, 2019

NH House ED&A Committee to Hear COLA Bill

The NH House ED&A Committee will be holding a public hearing on the COLA bill next week!

Wednesday - January 30, 2019 at 2:00 p.m.

NH Legislative Office Building

33 N State St, Concord, NH 03301

HB616-FN: [relative to a cost of living adjustment for retirees in the state retirement system](#)

- Sponsors: (Prime) Dianne Schuett , Howard Moffett, Phyllis Katsakiores, Mark Pearson, Sallie Fellows, Arthur Ellison
- Coalition Position: **SUPPORT**

This bill will provide creates a 1.5% COLA for all NH retirees on the full retirement benefit. If passed, it would become a permanent addition to a retirees benefit.

As it stands today, no retiree will ever receive a Cost of Living Adjustment unless the NH Legislature decides to make it a priority.

LET YOUR VOICE BE HEARD. Join us to let the NH House ED&A Committee know how important this bill is to you and your family.

To let us know you are coming or if you are interested in testifying email:

info@nhretirementsecuritycoalition.com

If you can't attend the hearing, please reach out to the Committee and let them how important the passage of HB616-FN is for you and your family.

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Thank you and see you Wednesday!

This Week's Legislative Action

SB28: [relative to an active employee member of the retirement system independent investment committee.](#)

- Sponsors: (Prime) Kevin Cavanaugh
- Coalition Position: **SUPPORT**
- The Coalition provided testimony in favor of SB28. You can access copies of that testimony on our website.

HB110-FN-A: [relative to the cost of fiscal analysis of legislation relating to the retirement system.](#)

- Sponsors: (Prime) Katherine Rogers
- Coalition Position: **SUPPORT**
- Status: Passed House ED&A Committee 18-0

HB116-FN: [relative to the job classification of positions in the retirement system.](#)

- Sponsors: (Prime) Carol McGuire , Peter Schmidt, Dianne Schuett, Steven Beaudoin
 - Coalition Position: MONITOR
 - Status: Passed ED&A Committee with amendment 16-2
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Next Week's Legislative Action

HB720-FN: [relative to part time employment of retired community college system faculty.](#)

- Sponsors: (Prime) Mel Myler , Christy Bartlett, David Luneau, Arthur Ellison
- Status: Public Hearing House ED&A Committee January 30, 2019 at 10:00 a.m.
- Coalition Position: MONITOR

HB675-FN: [relative to the purchase of service credit in the state retirement system.](#)

- Sponsors: (Prime) Kristina Schultz , Sharon Carson, John Sytek
- Status: Public Hearing House ED&A Committee January 30, 2019 at 11:00 a.m.
- Coalition Position: MONITOR

Two priority bills will be heard next week -- the COLA bill and the bill that would create a defined contribution retirement system for all new hires. If a DC retirement system is created for new members, it puts at risk the current system for all currently active and retired members. This bill must be defeated! It will be heard right before the COLA bill, so if you can, plan, to attend both hearings.

HB629-FN-LOCAL [establishing a state defined contribution retirement plan for state and political subdivision members of the retirement system.](#)

- Sponsors: (Prime) Carol McGuire
- Status: Public Hearing House ED&A Committee January 30, 2019 at 1pm
- Coalition Position: **DEFEAT**

HB616-FN: [relative to a cost of living adjustment for retirees in the state retirement system](#)

- Sponsors: (Prime) Dianne Schuett , Howard Moffett, Phyllis Katsakiores, Mark Pearson, Sallie Fellows, Arthur Ellison
- Status: Public Hearing House ED&A Committee January 30, 2019 at 2pm
- Coalition Position: **SUPPORT**

[A full list of the bills the Coalition is following can be found on our website.](#)

The NH Retirement Security Coalition is made up of the following employee organizations:

- American Federation of State County and Municipal Employees Council 93
- American Federation of Teachers – New Hampshire
- National Educators Association - New Hampshire
- New England Police Benevolent Association
- New Hampshire Retired Educators Association
- New Hampshire School Administrators Association
- New Hampshire Higher Education Union – a division of IBEW Local 2320
- New Hampshire Troopers Association
- Professional Fire Fighters of New Hampshire
- State Employees Association of New Hampshire - SEIU Local 1984
- Teamsters Local 633

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