



Legislative Recap

February 15, 2019

Several of the Coalition's priority bills were up for full votes in committee and on the floor of both the House and Senate this week. See below for details - it was a great week for the Coalition with overwhelming bipartisan support showing a clear dedication to the 80,000 active and retired members of the NH Retirement System!

This Week's Legislative Action

House ED&A Executive Session

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**
- **ACTION: Passed Committee 17-2**

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

- Sponsors: (Prime) Carol McGuire
- Coalition Position: DEFEAT
- **ACTION: Defeated in Committee 13-6**

HB418-FN: [relative to the limitations on part-time employment under the New Hampshire retirement system.](#)

- Sponsors: (Prime) David Danielson
- Coalition Position: MONITOR
- This bill came back for reconsideration after the NHRS raised concerns with the language from the original amendment. [A new amendment](#) was introduced and passed unanimously. This amendment will allow grandfathered retirees who returned to work to receive promotions within the same department/employer without being subject to new total yearly hour limitation.
- **ACTION: Passed Committee (w/ amendment) 19-0**

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

- Sponsors: (Prime) Kristina Schultz , Sharon Carson, John Sytek
- Coalition Position: MONITOR
- **ACTION: Passed Committee 18-0**

House Floor Votes

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

- Sponsors: (Prime) Katherine Rogers
- Coalition Position: **SUPPORT**
- **ACTION: Passed by voice vote and will go to Finance Committee next**

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
- **ACTION: Passed by voice vote and will go to Finance Committee next**

HB497-FN-LOCAL: [relative to payment by the state of a portion of retirement system contributions of political subdivision employers.](#)

- Sponsors: (Prime) Robert Renny Cushing
- Coalition Position: MONITOR
- Rep. McGuire brought her amendment that failed in committee to the floor, it was defeated by a [Roll Call vote 144-232](#)
- **ACTION: Passed by [Roll Call vote 256-120](#) and will go to Finance Committee next**

Senate Floor Vote

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

- Sponsors: (Prime) Kevin Cavanaugh
 - Coalition Position: **SUPPORT**
 - **ACTION:** Passed on Senate Consent Calendar
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Next Week's Legislative Action

House ED&A Executive Session - Tuesday February 19, 2019 at 10:30 a.m. LOB Rm 306

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

- Sponsors: (Prime) Mel Myler , Christy Bartlett, David Luneau, Arthur Ellison
- Coalition Position: MONITOR
- The sub-committee voted to recommend to the full committee that the bill be defeated 3-0.

Finance Division I Work Session - Wednesday February 20, 2019 at 10:00 a.m. & 10:30 a.m. LOB Rm 212

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

- Sponsors: (Prime) Katherine Rogers
- Coalition Position: **SUPPORT**

HB497-FN-LOCAL: [relative to payment by the state of a portion of retirement system contributions of political subdivision employers.](#)

- Sponsors: (Prime) Robert Renny Cushing
 - Coalition Position: MONITOR
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Will You Share Your Story?

- The Coalition is looking for active and retired members to participate in our "Share Your Story" Campaign.
- We are looking for members willing to share their story on video to help educate legislators, political leaders, and the public on the importance of pension and security in retirement.
- All it means is sitting down with us for just a few minutes to share your story!
- Check out this wonderful story put together by our counterparts in Kentucky: [Lisa's Story](#)
- Please email us at info@nhretirementsecuritycoalition.com and let us know if you would be willing to share your story.

[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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