

AFT-NH Legislative Bulletin (February 7, 2026)

Two Urgent Actions Needed

We are at the point of the legislative session where many pieces of legislation begin to move on multiple tracks. We will continue to use this space to highlight bills that AFT-NH support or oppose in committee as well as highlight important legislation that is moving to the House floor. Please see the list below for our recommendations on supporting or opposing key legislation. Our tracker at the end of the bulletin shows bills we are following for next week and where they are in the process.

Attack on Collective Bargaining

HB 1704, the attack on public employees' collective bargaining rights has been voted out of the House Labor Committee as Ought to Pass on strict party lines despite overwhelming opposition at the hearing (807 against and 21 for). This bill is not on the House calendar for this week so we anticipate the full House will vote on February 19th but we need to engage with our representatives now. Protect your rights, your contract, and working conditions. We encourage everyone to reach out to their representatives by clicking the following link: We need our representatives to understand that this is union-busting and will cause chaos in the workplace. This bill will also add significant expenses to local employers thus causing higher property. You can read AFT-NH testimony on HB 1704 **[HERE](#)**.

[Please stop the attack on public employees - NO to HB 1704.](#)

Open Enrollment

HB 751-FN There has been a lot of discussion about so called public school open enrollment this week. Communities across the state, including school board members, educators, parents and administrators are speaking out against this disastrous policy that would allow the parent of any child that lives in a public school district to send that child to any other public school in the state and makes the resident district pay for it. **HB 751-FN** can be voted on at **any time** by the full house. Take our action and tell the House to vote NO on open enrollment. Please contact your representative now to **[Oppose HB 751](#)**.

Before proceeding, please take the two urgent actions above.

We are also carefully monitoring HB 1792 and HB 1669.

HB 1792 casts aspersions on our teachers, blatantly lies about classroom teaching, and then offers stiff penalties on educators for violating any of the sections that are vague and undefined. It may all sound familiar as the subject matter, much of which was in the divisive concepts law, has been found to be unconstitutional. This bill has been recommended as Ought to Pass by the House Education Policy and Administration Committee. **AFT-NH opposes this bill.** You can read the AFT-NH Testimony on the bill **[HERE](#)**.

HB 1669 would establish a so-called Teacher Bill of Rights. In fact, the bill ignores the real things teachers need: fully funded schools so we can do our jobs, lawmakers to stop adding more to our plates, and respect from lawmakers instead of verbal attacks and lies. **AFT-NH opposes this bill. A hearing**

before the House Education and Policy Administration Committee is scheduled for February 11, 2026 at 1:00 pm. Sign in and oppose this bill.

Please sign in and register your opinion on bills when they are scheduled for hearing.

AFT-NH Legislative Hearings

Week of February 9, 2026

Date	Time	Location	Bill	Title	Position	Sponsors	Committee	Meeting Description
Feb 9, 2026	10:00 AM	GP, Room 232	<u>HB 1331</u>	Title: enabling the town of Derry to absorb the Derry cooperative school district.	Neutral	Layon Love Potucek	<u>House Education Policy and Administration</u>	Hearing
Feb 9, 2026	10:00 AM	GP, Room 231	<u>HB 1585</u>	Title: relative to environmental, social, and governance-related investment strategies by the state retirement system.	Oppose	Ammon Kofalt Miles	<u>House Executive Departments and Administration</u>	Executive Session
Feb 9, 2026	10:00 AM	GP, Room 159	<u>HB 1787</u>	Title: modifying the statewide education property tax.	Support	Ames Luneau Damon	<u>House Ways and Means</u>	Meeting
Feb 9, 2026	10:00 AM	GP, Room 159	<u>HB 1800</u>	Title: relative to statewide education property taxes.	Neutral	Spilsbury Dan McGuire Peeples	<u>House Ways and Means</u>	Meeting
Feb 9, 2026	10:00 AM	GP, Room 228	<u>HB 112</u>	Title: (New Title) requiring students in the university and community college systems of New Hampshire to pass the United States Citizenship and Immigration Services civics	Oppose	Moffett Belcher Mooney	<u>House ==TIME CHANGE==Finance - Division II</u>	Meeting

naturalization test,
take a course that
covers fundamental
American
documents as part
of the general
education
curriculum, or pass
a civics course
competency test.

Title: making an
appropriation to
the Claremont
school district for
costs associated
with a building
renovation project
from the revenue
stabilization
reserve account.

Feb
9,
2026 10:00
AM GP,
Room
228

[HB
1399](#)

Neutral

Damon
Girard
Luneau

[House
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Division II](#)

Meeting

Feb
9,
2026 10:30
AM GP,
Room
232

[HB
1374](#)

Oppose

Mary Murphy
Colcombe
Ford

[House
Education
Policy and
Administration](#)

Hearing

Feb
9,
2026 11:00
AM GP,
Room
232

[HB
1644](#)

Oppose

Dan McGuire
Spilsbury
McFarlane

[House
Education
Policy and
Administration](#)

Hearing

Feb
9,
2026 11:00
AM GP,
Room
158

[HB
1665](#)

Neutral

Popovici-Muller
Lynn
Manohar

[House
Judiciary](#)

Hearing

Feb
9,
2026 11:00
AM GP,
Room
159

[HB
1787](#)

Support

Ames
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Damon

[House Ways
and Means](#)

Executive
Session

Feb 11:00 GP,

[HB](#)

Title: relative to

Neutral

Spilsbury

[House Ways](#)

Executive

9, 2026	AM	Room 159	1800	statewide education property taxes.		Dan McGuire Peeples	and Means	Session
Feb 9, 2026	1:00 PM	GP, Room 232	HB 1191	Title: relative to parental notice for non-academic surveys in public schools.	Oppose	Litchfield Giasson Thibault	House Education Policy and Administration	Hearing
Feb 9, 2026	1:30 PM	GP, Room 232	HB 1688	Title: expanding the circumstances where the restraint is permitted in schools and treatment facilities and modifying the definition of seclusion.	Neutral	Drago	House Education Policy and Administration	Hearing
Feb 9, 2026	2:30 PM	GP, Room 158	HR 28	Title: requesting the opinion of the justices clarifying the scope of the state's constitutional obligations concerning education.	Oppose	McFarlane Morse Ulery	House Judiciary	Hearing
Feb 9, 2026	3:00 PM	GP, Room 158	HR 29	Title: requesting an opinion of the justices on the scope of part II, article 4 of the New Hampshire constitution, as well as other related articles.	Oppose	McFarlane Sellers Ulery	House Judiciary	Hearing
Feb 10, 2026	9:00 AM	GP, Room 154	HB 1427	Title: limiting the authority of a municipality, county, or school district to issue bonds.	Neutral	McFarlane Corcoran Berry	House Municipal and County Government	Executive Session

Feb 10, 2026	9:15 AM	SL, Room Map Room	<u>SB 532</u>	Title: increasing the requirements of the education freedom savings account oversight committee and modifying the purpose of the committee.	Support	Altschiller Fenton Perkins Kwoka	<u>Senate Education</u>	Senate Standing Committee
Feb 10, 2026	9:25 AM	GP, Room 154	<u>HB 1386</u>	Title: enabling citizens in a municipality to vote to require that a financial audit of the local school district take place.	Oppose	Andrus Cambrils Comtois	<u>House Municipal and County Government</u>	Hearing
Feb 10, 2026	9:30 AM	SL, Room Map Room	<u>SB 533</u>	Title: requiring the state to seek bids for contracts to oversee and operate the state's education freedom account program every three years.	Support	Altschiller Rosenwald Fenton	<u>Senate Education</u>	Senate Standing Committee
Feb 10, 2026	9:45 AM	SL, Room Map Room	<u>SB 576</u>	Title: adds definitions and reporting requirements relative to education freedom accounts.	Support	Altschiller Perkins Kwoka	<u>Senate Education</u>	Senate Standing Committee
Feb 10, 2026	Neu	GP, Room 232	<u>HB 1121</u>	Title: defining the cost of an adequate education.	Neutral	Ladd Peeples Dan McGuire	<u>House Education Funding</u>	Hearing
Feb 10, 2026	10:00 AM	GP, Room 159	<u>HB 1767</u>	Title: relative to unemployment compensation eligibility and weekly benefit amounts.	Oppose	Avellani Labrie Drago	<u>House Labor, Industrial and Rehabilitative Services</u>	Executive Session
Feb	10:30	GP,	<u>HB</u>	Title: establishing	Oppose	Alexander	<u>House Housing</u>	Hearing

10, 2026	AM	Room 231	1050	the right to provide educational instruction in municipally zoned and non-zoned areas.		Farrington Freeman		
Feb 10, 2026	1:00 PM	GP, Room 159	HB 1491	Title: relative to pooled risk management programs.	Support	Hunt Porcelli Innis	House Commerce and Consumer Affairs	Meeting
Feb 10, 2026	2:10 PM	GP, Room 154	HB 1214	Title: relative to public libraries.	Oppose	Perez Andrus Alexander	House Municipal and County Government	Hearing
Feb 11, 2026	9:30 AM	GP, Room 159	HB 1051	Title: establishing a commission to study the creation of a statewide fingerprinting and background check database in New Hampshire.	Neutral	Layon	House Criminal Justice and Public Safety	Meeting
Feb 11, 2026	10:00 AM	GP, Room 232	HB 1700	Title: adding a non-voting student member to the state board of education.	Neutral	Alexander McDonnell Thibault	House Education Policy and Administration	Hearing
Feb 11, 2026	10:20 AM	GP, Room 232	HB 1453	Title: relative to student school board members.	Neutral	Thibault Harvey-Bolia Litchfield	House Education Policy and Administration	Hearing
Feb 11, 2026	11:00 AM	GP, Room 232	HB 1490	Title: requiring scholarship organizations to provide written notice to parents explaining the parents' requirement to provide written notice upon termination of a	Neutral	Peternel Bennett Burnham	House Education Policy and Administration	Hearing

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program.

Feb 11, 2026	1:00 PM	GP, Room 232	<u>HB 1669</u>	Title: establishing a teacher bill of rights.	Oppose	Litchfield Nadeau Miner	<u>House Education Policy and Administration</u>	Hearing
Feb 11, 2026	1:00 PM	SH, Room 103	<u>SB 552</u>	Title: permitting classification of individuals based on biological sex under certain limited circumstances.	Oppose	Avard Lang Birdsell	<u>Senate Judiciary</u>	Senate Standing Committee
Feb 11, 2026	1:20 PM	SH, Room 103	<u>SB 459</u>	Title: relative to biological sex in student athletics and prisons.	Oppose	Gannon Victoria Sullivan Pearl	<u>Senate Judiciary</u>	Senate Standing Committee
Feb 11, 2026	2:30 PM	GP, Room 158	<u>HB 1811</u>	Title: repealing statutory immunization requirements for children.	Oppose	Drew McGrath Polozov	<u>House Health, Human Services and Elderly Affairs</u>	Executive Session
Feb 11, 2026	2:30 PM	GP, Room 158	<u>HB 1811</u>	Title: repealing statutory immunization requirements for children.	Oppose	Drew McGrath Polozov	<u>House Health, Human Services and Elderly Affairs</u>	Executive Session
Feb 12, 2026	9:00 AM	SH, Room 100	<u>HB 121</u>	Title: (New Title) relative to school district financial requirements and district probation processes.	Oppose	Mark Pearson Spillane Terry	<u>Senate Education Finance</u>	Senate Standing Committee
Feb 12, 2026	9:10 AM	SH, Room 100	<u>HB 366</u>	Title: (New Title) modifying the priority of applications for school building aid grants.	Support	Cahill Cloutier Edgar	<u>Senate Education Finance</u>	Senate Standing Committee

Feb 12, 2026	9:20 AM	SH, Room 100	HB 564	Title: relative to the adoption of school administrative unit budgets.	Oppose	Vose Andrus Harvey-Bolia	Senate Education Finance	Senate Standing Committee
Feb 12, 2026	9:30 AM	SH, Room 100	HB 656	Title: relative to the authority of local school districts to accept federal grants.	Oppose	Peternel Colcombe Drago	Senate Education Finance	Senate Standing Committee
Feb 13, 2026	10:00 AM	GP, Room 232	HB 1561	Title: prohibiting nationals of the People's Republic of China from attending state institutions of higher education.	Oppose	Belcher Perez Sirois	House Education Funding	Hearing
Feb 13, 2026	10:00 AM	GP, Room 158	CACR 29	Title: Relating to the supreme court. Providing that the supreme court may not make rules that have the force and effect of law.	Oppose	Wherry Ford McFarlane	House Judiciary	Executive Session
Feb 13, 2026	10:00 AM	GP, Room 158	HB 1064	Title: relative to liability of governmental units.	Neutral	Kuttab Lynn Berch	House Judiciary	Executive Session
Feb 13, 2026	10:00 AM	GP, Room 158	HB 1665	Title: relative to the issuance of subpoenas in administrative proceedings.	Neutral	Popovici-Muller Lynn Manohar	House Judiciary	Executive Session
Feb 13, 2026	10:00 AM	GP, Room 158	HR 28	Title: requesting the opinion of the justices clarifying the scope of the state's constitutional obligations concerning	Oppose	McFarlane Morse Ulery	House Judiciary	Executive Session

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Feb 13, 2026	10:30 AM	GP, Room 232	HB 1807	Title: relative to information on tax rates and tax impact information on warrant articles.	Oppose	Peternel Bernardy Berry	House Education Funding	Hearing
Feb 13, 2026	11:15 AM	GP, Room 232	HB 1099	Title: establishing a committee to study private businesses providing special education services and issues relative to local school district reimbursement.	Neutral	Hill Bernardy Erf	House Education Funding	Hearing
Feb 13, 2026	1:00 PM	GP, Room 232	HB 1815	Title: relative to education financing.	Oppose	Lynn Dan McGuire	House Education Funding	Hearing
Feb 13, 2026	1:45 PM	GP, Room 232	HR 40	Title: urging the legislature to adequately fund public education.	Support	Cloutier Damon Nancy Murphy	House Education Funding	Hearing
Feb 13, 2026	2:30 PM	GP, Room 232	HR 19	Title: encouraging state colleges and universities to invite more conservative speakers to campus for the purpose of increasing diversity of viewpoints.	Oppose	McFarlane Giasson Morse	House Education Funding	

