

<p><i>Subject:</i></p> <p><i>Legislative update for 2021-2022 Session</i></p>	<p><i>House Bills</i></p>
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There were 22 House Education Bills that were passed into law this legislative session. There was an additional law that established a study committee.

For the bills that have related Technical Advisories, there will be a link to access that document.

---Summary of Bills---

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---Overview of House Bills---

HB 1035, Relative to exemptions from school vaccine mandates

HB 1035 —	<i>Summary--</i>
Rulemaking Required:	Removes the requirement that the form which exempts a child from immunizations due to religious beliefs be notarized.
N/A	
Technical Advisory (TA)	
Effective Date:	
7/19/2022	
Applicable to:	
Public Traditional;	

<p><i>Public Charter; Non-Public</i></p> <p>Statute:</p> <p><i>RSA 141-C:20-c</i></p>	
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HB 1074, Relative to notice to a chartered public school of a special education services meeting

<p><u>HB 1074</u>—</p> <p>Rulemaking Required:</p> <p><i>TBD</i></p> <p><u>Technical Advisory</u></p> <p>Effective Date:</p> <p><i>6/17/2022</i></p> <p>Applicable to:</p> <p><i>Public Traditional; Public Charter</i></p> <p>Statute:</p> <p><i>RSA 194-B:11, III(b)</i></p>	<p><i>Summary--</i></p> <p>Adds a requirement that for all subsequent meetings of the IEP team, the child’s resident district is required to provide prior notice to the representative of the chartered public school.</p>
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HB 1125, Relative to school emergency plans

HB 1125 —	<i>Summary--</i>
Rulemaking Required:	Amends pre-existing law which relates to Emergency Response Plans.
N/A	
Technical Advisory (TA):	Every public, chartered public and nonpublic school is required to develop a site-specific school emergency operations plan and submit the plan to the Director of Homeland Security and Emergency Management, Department of Safety by October 15 every year.
N/A	
Effective Date:	
6/17/2022	
Applicable to:	
Public Traditional;	
Public Charter; Non-Public	
Statute:	
RSA 189:64	

HB 1132, Relative to applications for a charter conversion school

HB 1132 —	<i>Summary--</i>
Rulemaking Required:	Amends existing law to modify how an existing public school can become a charter conversion school.

<p>N/A</p> <p>Technical Advisory (TA):</p> <p>N/A</p> <p>Effective Date:</p> <p>8/23/2022</p> <p>Applicable to:</p> <p>Public Traditional; Public Charter</p> <p>Statute:</p> <p>RSA 194-B:3, VI</p>	
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HB 1164, Revising the agriculture in the classroom committee

<p>HB 1164--</p> <p>Rulemaking Required:</p> <p>N/A</p> <p>Technical Advisory (TA):</p> <p>N/A</p>	<p><i>Summary--</i></p> <p>Revises the composition and scope of the agriculture in the classroom committee.</p>
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<p>Effective Date:</p> <p>7/19/2022</p> <p>Applicable to:</p> <p>Public Traditional</p> <p>Statute:</p> <p>RSA 425:25</p>	
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HB 1202, Relative to transportation of pupils to school activities by a contract carrier

<p><u>HB 1202</u>—</p> <p>Rulemaking Required:</p> <p>N/A</p> <p>Technical Advisory (TA):</p> <p>N/A</p> <p>Effective Date:</p> <p>7/19/2022</p> <p>Applicable to:</p> <p>Public Traditional</p> <p>Statute:</p>	<p><i>Summary--</i></p> <p>Amends the law which governs transportation of pupils in a contract carrier—specifically amends the definition of “school activities” and eliminates the requirement that the trip be 150 miles.</p>
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HB 1218, Relative to the merger of Granite State College with the University of NH

<p>HB 1218—</p> <p>Rulemaking Required:</p> <p>N/A</p> <p>Technical Advisory (TA):</p> <p>N/A</p> <p>Effective Date:</p> <p>Sec 10: 7/1/2023</p> <p>Remainder: 5/3/2022</p> <p>Applicable to:</p> <p>Higher Education</p> <p>Statute:</p> <p>RSA 21-N:8-a, II;</p> <p>RSA 187-A:2;</p> <p>RSA 187-A:4;</p> <p>RSA 187-A:11;</p> <p>RSA 187-A:13;</p> <p>RSA 187-A:16;</p>	<p><i>Summary--</i></p> <p>Under this new law, Granite State College becomes merged with the University of New Hampshire.</p>
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HB 1234, Relative to criminal background checks for an applicant for a teaching credential

<p>HB 1234—</p> <p>Rulemaking Required:</p> <p>TBD</p> <p>Technical Advisory (TA)</p> <p>Effective Date:</p> <p>8/23/2022</p> <p>Applicable to:</p> <p>Public Traditional; Public Charter</p> <p>Statute:</p> <p>RSA 189:13-c, V</p>	<p>Summary--</p> <p>Adds the criminal offense of human trafficking, in violation of RSA 633:7, to the list of offenses which would prohibit an individual from being credentialed as a teacher by the Department of Education.</p>
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HB 1236, Relative to the legislative oversight committee for the education improvement and assessment program

<p>HB 1236—</p> <p>Rulemaking Required:</p>	<p>Summary--</p> <p>Re-establishes the legislative oversight committee for the education improvement and assessment program.</p>
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<p>N/A</p> <p>Technical Advisory (TA):</p> <p>N/A</p> <p>Effective Date:</p> <p>7/26/2022</p> <p>Applicable to:</p> <p>Public Traditional</p> <p>Statute:</p> <p>RSA 193-C:8-a;</p> <p>RSA 193-E:3-c;</p> <p>RSA 193-E:2-a</p>	<p>The committee will review various aspects of the public education system to ensure that students are receiving the opportunity to acquire the knowledge and skills necessary to prepare them for successful participation in the social, economic, scientific, technological, and political systems of society.</p> <p>The new law also prohibits the State Board of Education from amending any existing academic standards or approving any new academic standards without the prior review and recommendation of the committee.</p>
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HB 1263, Relative to prescribed studies on health, physical education, wellness, and personal finance literacy in schools

<p>HB 1263—</p> <p>Rulemaking Required:</p> <p>N/A</p> <p>Technical Advisory</p> <p>Y</p>	<p><i>Summary--</i></p> <p>Amends the pre-existing law, RSA 189:10, which prescribes studies on health, physical education, and wellness.</p> <p>Adds the additional component of personal finance literacy—it may be embedded in an existing course.</p>
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<p>Effective Date:</p> <p>7/1/2022</p> <p>Applicable to:</p> <p>Public Traditional</p> <p>Statute:</p> <p>RSA 189:10</p>	<p>The Department of Education shall survey school districts on a biennial basis to receive reports on compliance with this provision.</p>
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HB 1311, Prohibiting persons charged with or convicted of certain assault or controlled drug possession violations from employment in a public school or being granted teaching credentials

<p>HB 1311—</p> <p>Rulemaking Required:</p> <p>TBD</p> <p>Technical Advisory (TA)</p> <p>Effective Date:</p> <p>1/1/2023</p> <p>Applicable to:</p> <p>Public Traditional;</p>	<p><i>Summary--</i></p> <p>Adds the following criminal offenses to the “Section V” violations:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Felony level, possession of a controlled drug with the intent to sell, within the last ten (10) years and; • First Degree-Assault. <p>These offenses will prohibit an individual from being credentialed or employed as an educator.</p>
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<p><i>Public Charter</i></p> <p>Statute:</p> <p><i>RSA 189:13-a;</i></p> <p><i>RSA 189:13-c</i></p>	
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HB 1367, Relative to civics instruction in schools

<p><u>HB 1367</u>—</p> <p>Rulemaking Required:</p> <p><i>N/A</i></p> <p><u>Technical Advisory</u></p> <p>Effective Date:</p> <p><i>1/1/2023</i></p> <p>Applicable to:</p> <p><i>Public Traditional</i></p> <p>Statute:</p> <p><i>RSA 189:11, II</i></p>	<p><i>Summary--</i></p> <p>“Housekeeping” measure bill to the civics assessment law.</p> <p>School districts must provide accommodations and may modify the naturalization examination, as developed by the 2020 United States Citizen and Immigration Services (USCIS), for a child with a disability in accordance with the child’s individualized education program.</p> <p>School districts must submit the results of the naturalization examination to the Department of Education by June 30 of each year.</p>
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HB 1381, Relative to student board members

<p><u>HB 1381</u>—</p>	<p><i>Summary--</i></p>
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<p>Rulemaking Required:</p> <p>N/A</p> <p>Technical Advisory (TA):</p> <p>N/A</p> <p>Effective Date:</p> <p>1/1/2023</p> <p>Applicable to:</p> <p>Public Traditional</p> <p>Statute:</p> <p>RSA 189:1-c;</p> <p>RSA 194:23-f</p>	<p>Requires that local school boards have at least one non-voting student member from each public high school which is maintained by the local school board.</p>
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HB 1513, Relative to the definition of a child with a disability under special education laws and providing funding for special education costs for students over age 21 until their 22nd birthday.

<p>HB 1513—</p> <p>Rulemaking Required:</p> <p>N/A</p>	<p><i>Summary--</i></p> <p>Amends the special education definition of “child with a disability” to be inclusive of the age 21—extending the required provision of services until the student’s 22nd birthday.</p>
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<p><u>Technical Advisory (TA)</u></p> <p>Effective Date: 6/24/2022</p> <p>Applicable to: Public Traditional</p> <p>Statute: RSA 186-C:2</p>	<p>The Department of Education shall be liable for all costs related to providing services to special education students over the age of 21 for the 2022-2023 school year.</p> <p>*SB 394, which was also passed, contains the same language.</p>
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HB 1530, Establishing curricular transfer pathways between the community college system of NH and the university system of NH

<p>HB 1530—</p> <p>Rulemaking Required: N/A</p> <p>Technical Advisory (TA): N/A</p> <p>Effective Date: 7/1/2024</p> <p>Applicable to:</p>	<p><i>Summary--</i></p> <p>Requires the university system the community college system to create and maintain transfer pathways for at least thirty (30) of the undergraduate majors which are of the highest demand at the community college.</p>
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<p><i>Higher Education</i></p> <p>Statute:</p> <p><i>RSA 187-A:16-c;</i></p> <p><i>RSA 188-F:6-a</i></p>	
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HB 1575, Relative to waiver of tuition in the university system and community college system




<p><u>HB 1575</u>—</p> <p>Rulemaking Required:</p> <p><i>N/A</i></p> <p>Technical Advisory (TA):</p> <p><i>N/A</i></p> <p>Effective Date:</p> <p><i>6/17/2022</i></p> <p>Applicable to:</p> <p><i>Higher Education</i></p> <p>Statute:</p> <p><i>RSA 187-A:20, II;</i></p> <p><i>RSA 188-F:15, I</i></p>	<p><i>Summary--</i></p> <p>Expands the tuition waiver of the university and community college system-- provides that the child of a veteran who was permanently disabled and who was a NH resident at the time of his or her death, is eligible for the tuition waiver benefit following their parent's passing.</p>
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HB 1594, Relative to assistance to certain students with disabilities in registering to vote

<p>HB 1594—</p> <p>Rulemaking Required:</p> <p>N/A</p> <p>Technical Advisory</p> <p>Effective Date:</p> <p>8/16/2022</p> <p>Applicable to:</p> <p>Public Traditional</p> <p>Statute:</p> <p>RSA 186-C:8-a</p>	<p><i>Summary--</i></p> <p>New requirement that Individualized Education Program (IEP) teams account for the possibility that voter registration is appropriate for a student 17 or older.</p>
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HB 1624, Relative to students with disabilities participating in co-curricular activities and making an appropriation therefor

<p>HB 1624—</p> <p>Rulemaking Required:</p> <p>N/A</p> <p>Technical Advisory (TA):</p>	<p><i>Summary—</i></p> <p>Creates a grant program for the creation of and support of unified co-curricular activities.</p> <p>Department may expend up to \$50,000 for the program each biennium.</p> <p>Grants shall be no more than \$4,00 per program.</p> <p>Any remaining funds shall be distributed to schools with pre-existing unified curricular programs.</p>
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<p>Application</p> <p>Effective Date:</p> <p>9/1/2022</p> <p>Applicable to:</p> <p>Public Traditional</p> <p>Statute:</p> <p>RSA 21-N:4</p>	<div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-around; align-items: center;">    </div> <p>HB 1624 application EXISTING.pdf HB 1624 application Description.pdf HB 1624 application NEW.pdf</p>
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HB 1626, Relative to the unique pupil identification system

<p>HB 1626—</p> <p>Rulemaking Required:</p> <p>N/A</p> <p>Technical Advisory (TA):</p> <p>N/A</p> <p>Effective Date:</p> <p>6/24/2022</p> <p>Applicable to:</p> <p>Public Charter;</p>	<p><i>Summary--</i></p> <p>Make the unique pupil identification system applicable to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Chartered public schools, • Scholarship organizations (EFAs) and; • Adult education programs.
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<p><i>Education Freedom Accounts; Adult Ed</i></p> <p>Statute: <i>RSA 193-E:5</i></p>	
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HB 1661, Relative to regional career technical (part of an omnibus bill)**

<p><u>HB 1661</u>—</p> <p>Rulemaking Required:</p> <p>Y</p> <p><u>Technical Advisory</u></p> <p>Effective Date: 7/1/2022</p> <p>Applicable to: <i>Public Traditional (CTE Centers)</i></p> <p>Statute: <i>RSA 188-E:1-a;</i></p>	<p><i>Summary--</i></p> <p>Each receiving and sending school to a CTE center must be governed by a regional career and technical education agreement (RCTEA).</p> <p>RCTEA will be renewed every 4 years and approved by the Commissioner.</p> <p>RCTEA must include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • a calendar conformity agreement and; • plan for sending and regional schools to provide tuition and transportation.
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RSA 188-E:2;	
RSA 188-E:5	

HB 1663, Relative to requirements for home education students

<p><u>HB 1663</u>—</p> <p>Rulemaking Required:</p> <p>TBD</p> <p>Technical Advisory (TA):</p> <p>N/A</p> <p>Effective Date:</p> <p>Sec 1 eff 8/31/2022;</p> <p>Remainder 6/2/2022</p> <p>Applicable to:</p> <p>Public Traditional;</p> <p>Home Education</p> <p>Statute:</p> <p>RSA 193:1-c;</p> <p>RSA 193-A:4;</p>	<p>Summary--</p> <p>Requires local school board to adopt a policy which regulates the participation in curricular courses and co-curricular programs for home school students.</p> <p>Makes various amendments to home education—the most notable change is a new requirement that a home-school parent who moves from the district in which he or she had previously provided the required home-school notification to the superintendent, notify that superintendent that the child has moved from the district.</p>
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RSA 193-A:5;	
RSA 193-A:6	

HB 1671, Relative to the content of an adequate education

<p>HB 1671—</p> <p>Rulemaking Required:</p> <p>TBD</p> <p>Technical Advisory</p> <p>Effective Date:</p> <p>8/23/2022</p> <p>Applicable to:</p> <p>Public Traditional</p> <p>Statute:</p> <p>RSA 193-E:2-a;</p> <p>RSA 193-E:3-b</p>	<p><i>Summary--</i></p> <p>HB 1671, amends the learning areas of RSA 193-E:2-a, to now read as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • English/language arts and reading; • Mathematics; • Science; • Social studies, including civics, government, economics, geography, history, and Holocaust and genocide education; • Arts education, including music and visual arts; • World languages; • Health and wellness education, including a policy for violations of RSA 126-K:8, I(a); • Physical education; • Engineering and technologies including technology applications; • Personal finance literacy; • Computer science. <p>The changes to the content of an adequate education law are applicable to the 2022-2023 academic year, but the personal finance literacy requirement is applicable for the 2023-2024 school year.</p>
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HOUSE Study Committees

- [HB 1398](#), Establishing a committee to study the feasibility of centralized criminal history records checks in education.