



HB 1360, relative to the rulemaking authority of the state board of education.

Committee recommendation: Education : OTP 13 - 4

This bill, which curbs the unrestrained rulemaking authority of the Department of Education, is **pro-liberty**:

- This bill upholds Part 1, Art. 12 of the NH Constitution "Nor are the inhabitants of this state controllable by any other laws than those by which they, or their representative body, have given their consent."
- Removes the ability of rules proposed by the board of education to have the force and effect of law without prior approval of the general court.
- Proposed rules would go through the Senate or House Education committees which would ensure that the legislative interpretation and intent of rules is adopted.

HB 1360

YEA on OTP

HB 1285-FN, repealing the state art fund.

Committee recommendation: Executive Departments and Administration : OTP 8 - 7

This bill, eliminating the dedicated art fund, is **pro-liberty**:

- Makes elected representatives accountable for state art expenditures.
- Government should spend money for the benefit of everyone (the general welfare). Art projects only benefit a few people at the expense of everyone.
- It is unconscionable to compel taxpayers to pay for art projects they find objectionable.

HB 1285

YEA on OTP

HB 445-FN, relative to the regulation of electronic tracking devices.

Committee recommendation: Commerce and Consumer Affairs : Refer to interim study.

This bill as amended, which would prohibit electronic tracking without one's prior consent, is **pro-liberty**:

- Free citizens should not be tracked without their consent.
- The NHLA supports floor amendment 2012-0084h.

HB 445

NAY on ITL

HB 138-FN, relative to the cold case homicide unit.

Committee recommendation: Criminal Justice and Public Safety : OTP 16 - 1

This bill, which repeals the sunset provision for a fixed funded agency, is **anti-liberty**:

- With federal funds expiring for this program in 2013, the program should likewise expire. Granite State taxpayers are overburdened as it is and should not be forced to pay for a program which is expected to cost over \$700,000 per biennium.
- The state already has vast law enforcement and investigative resources; police personnel and equipment can be reassigned if the department determines this work deserves higher priority.

HB 138

NAY on OTP

HB 574, relative to the taking of private property during a state of emergency.

Committee recommendation: Judiciary : OTP 16 - 0

This bill, which repeals the law enacted post 9/11 that would allow the government to take private property during the state of emergency, is **pro-liberty**:

- This bill affirms Article 2 Part 1 of the NH Constitution that guarantees the natural rights of citizens to acquire, possess, and protect property.

HB 574

YEA on OTP