



Status Report on Pending MECRS Legislative Initiatives 2021 Session of the NH Legislature

There were two pending House bills in the 2020 session of the N.H. Legislature, which were requested by the MECRS Board of Trustees, which were designated HB-1292 and HB-1293.

HB-1292 was intended to make changes in the benefit provisions for anyone hired after the effective date of the legislation. HB-1293 would have created a mechanism to ensure continuing compliance with IRS regulation pertaining to qualified municipal pension plans, and to allow trustee of the plan to appoint replacement members to fill vacancies resulting from resignations from the board, until then next regularly scheduled election.

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, both bills died in the Senate as of June 29, 2020.

At the request of the Board of Trustees, both pieces of legislation have been reintroduced for the 2021 session and have been designated HB-211 FN and HB-356.

Date:	Event
December 3, 2020	Legislative Service Request numbers issued on draft legislative amendments.
January 4, 2021	HB-211 FN Introduced to Executive Departments & Administration Committee.
January 6, 2021	HB-356 Introduced to Executive Departments & Administration Committee.
February 1, 2021	Both bills schedule for public hearings at 1:00 PM and 1:05 PM respectively.