

2025 State Legislative Session

January 2025



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New Leadership

New Governor

Governor Ayotte elected following eight years of **Governor Sununu**

New Senate President

Senator Sharon Carson elected Senate

President following Senator Jeb Bradley's

retirement

Housing Committee

The House of Representatives established a

permanent Housing Committee to review

legislative proposals



New Budget

process

Growing Housing Caucus

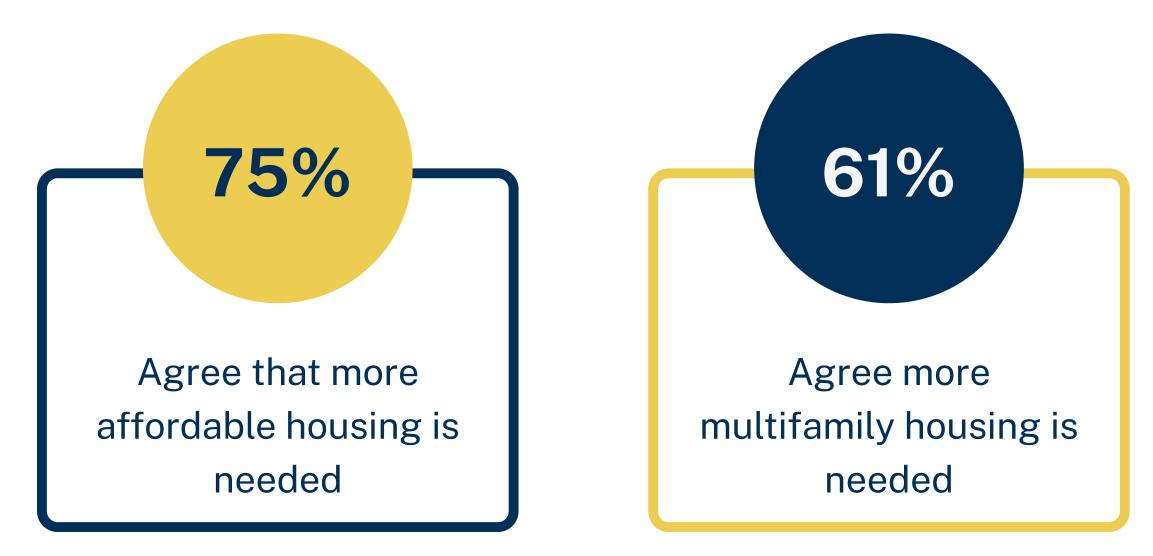
New Hampshire operates on a biannual budget

Bipartisan Housing Caucus is continuing to grow in membership and influence



Public Opinion

New Hampshire voters want more affordable housing (even if they aren't the loudest voice)



Source: Saint Anselm College Center for Ethics, Housing Poll 2024



Want more affordable housing options in their own neighborhood

59%

2024 Wins

HB 1400: HOMEnibus / Reasonable Parking

Municipalities shall accept alternative parking solutions;

Municipalities cannot require more than 1.5 residential parking spaces per unit for studio and 1-bedroom units under 1000 square feet that meet the requirements for workforce housing under RSA 674:58, IV;

Municipalities shall not require more than 1.5 residential parking spaces per unit for multifamily developments of 10 units or more;

Expansion of 79-E to office conversations

Enabling local legislative bodies to accept zoning changes

HB 1361: Expansion of Manufactured **Housing Law**

Appropriation



- Municipalities shall provide reasonable and realistic opportunities for manufactured housing and parks
- **SB 406: Homeless Services Supplemental**
- Additional \$2.5 million for existing contracts
- HB 1202: Driveway Permitting
- DOT must issue permits within 60 days

HB 1065: Residential Converstions

Removes sprinkler requirement for conversations of up to 4 units

2025 Legislation: State Budget

Budget Overview

New Hampshire operates on a two-year budget cycle

Expiration of federal dollars, revenue decreases, and changes in the tax policy have lowered revenue for upcoming session

The budget is the main legislative vehicle for all spending priorities

Affordable Housing Fund



Additional appropriation to AHF

RETT Formula

Increase Real Estate Transfer Tax carve out

CDIP Tax Credit

Double the Community Development Improvement Program credit from \$5m to \$10m

Homeless Services Contract

Increase annual appropriation

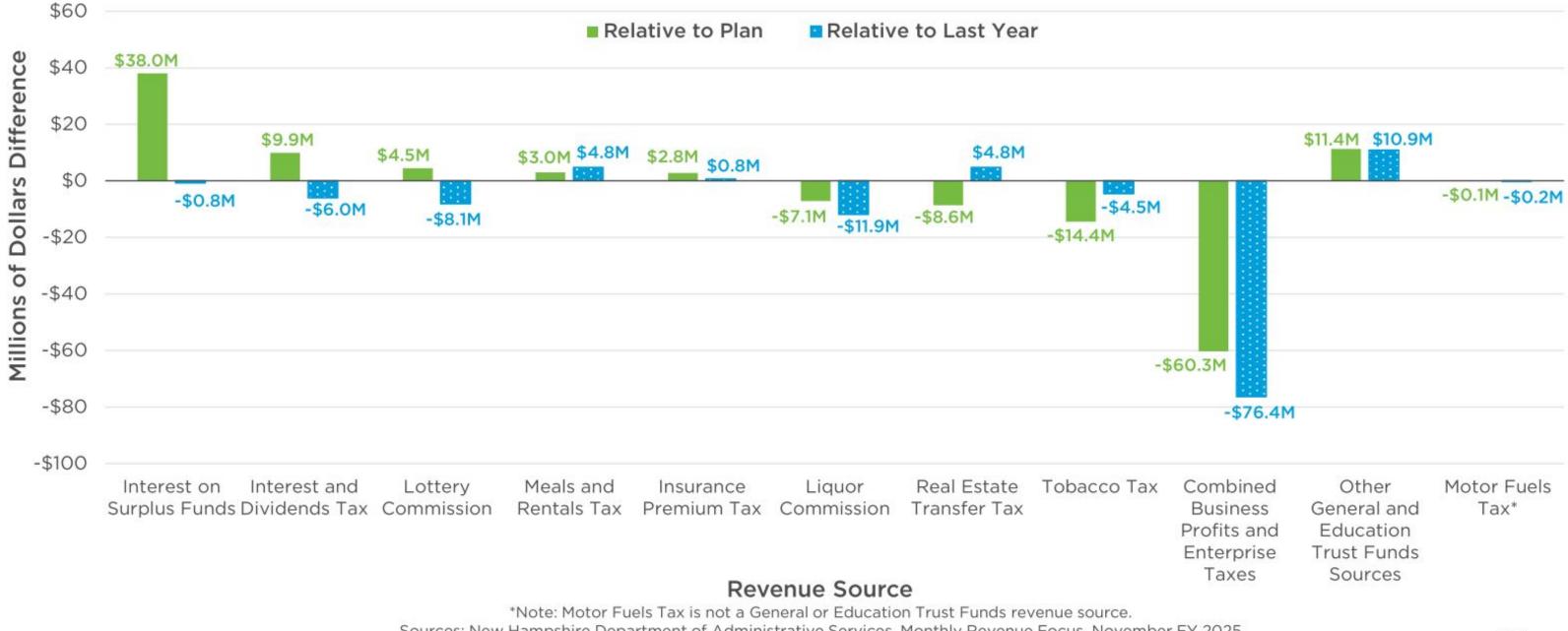
Eviction Prevention

Increase annual appropriation

2025 State Budget

DIFFERENCES FROM STATE REVENUE PLAN **AND PRIOR YEAR BY SOURCE, YEAR-TO-DATE**

General and Education Trust Funds Revenues Excluding Statewide Education Property Tax, New Hampshire, July-November State Fiscal Year 2025, Cash Basis

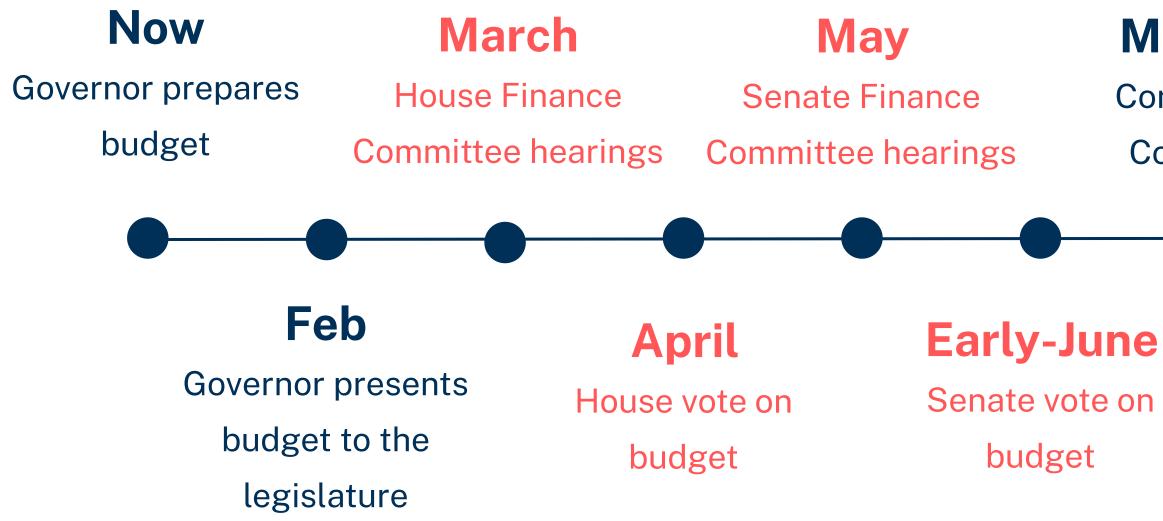


Sources: New Hampshire Department of Administrative Services, Monthly Revenue Focus, November FY 2025



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State Budget Process





Mid-June

Committee of

Conference

Late-June

Governor signs (or vetoes) budget

Late-June

House and Senate

approve final budget

2025 Legislation: Housing Production

LSR 0967 (Senator Innis)

One-time \$25 million appropriation to the Affordable Housing Fund

Increase the Real Estate Transfer Tax appropriation to the Affordable Housing Fund from \$5 million to \$10 million annually

LSR 0944 (Senator Innis)

Double the Community Development Improvement Program Tax Credit from \$5 million to \$10 million per year with \$3 million dedicated to historic housing preservation (ie. proposals that convert historic buildings to housing).



2025 Legislation: Zoning and Regluations

LSR 0119: ADUs (Rep. Alexander)

Detached Accessory Dwelling Units (ADUs) allowed by right

LSR 0883: Starter Homes Act (Rep. Alexander)

Science-based lot sizing in the majority of single-family zoned land without water and sewer infrastructure; smaller lots in public water and sewer zones

Allow multi-family residential in commercial zones

LSR 1073: Faith in Housing (Sen. Abbas)

Flexible zoning for religious institutions that develop housing on their property





LSR 1088 (Sen. Murphy) and LSR 0683 (Rep. Murray): Homes Near Jobs

2025 Legislation: Housing Stability

SB TBD (Sen. Birdsell): Funding

\$12 million per year for homeless services contracts; \$3 million per year for eviction prevention

SB TBD (Sen. Perkins Kwoka): Source of

Income Discrimination

Prohibiting tenant discrimination towards voucher holders

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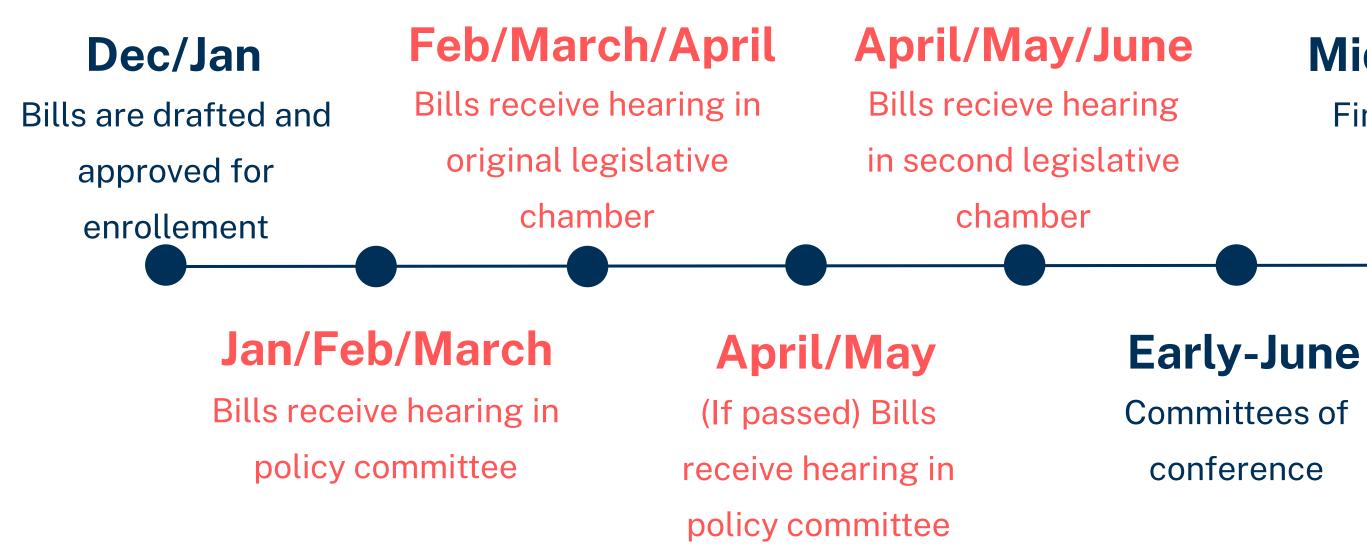
HB 60 (Rep. Lynn): Termination of Tenancy

- Allows for no-cause evictions at the expiration

HB 348: Local Assistance Waiting Period

- Allows municipalities to require up to 90 days of
- residency before applying for local welfare, and
- allows for limited proofs of that residency

Legislative Process





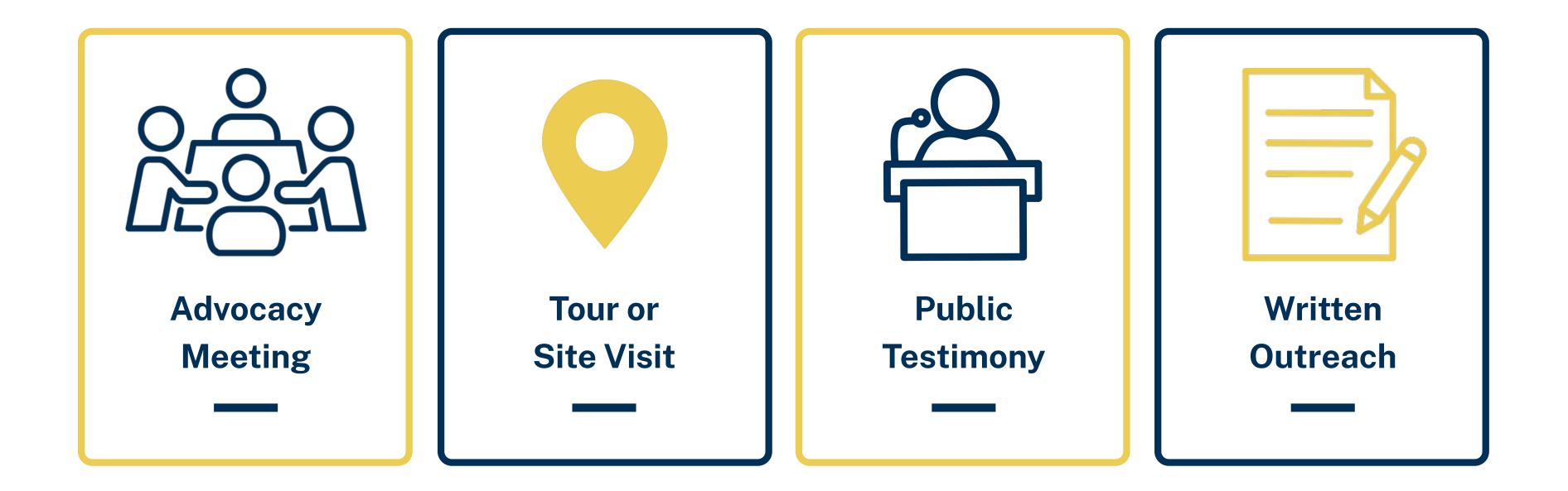
Mid-June

Final vote

June - Sept

Governor signs (or vetoes) budget

How To Engage



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NH 2025 HB 60

Title: relative to the termination of tenancy at the expiration of the tenancy or lease term.



This bill amends existing law regarding the termination of tenancy by adding a new provision that allows for eviction based on the expiration of a lease or tenancy term if the original term is six months or longer. Specifically, it introduces a new subparagraph (i) to RSA 540:2, II, which stipulates that for leases or tenancies of six months or longer, or those that have been renewed to total six months or more, landlords must provide tenants with written notice at least 60 days prior to the termination date, indicating that the lease will not be renewed and that the tenant must vacate the property.

The bill effectively removes any ambiguity regarding the grounds for eviction related to lease expiration, ensuring that landlords follow a clear notification process. The new legal language inserted into the law emphasizes the requirement for written notice, while no specific deletions from current law are indicated in the text provided. The act is set to take effect on January 1, 2026.Statutes affected: Introduced: 540:2

Track Bill



Thank you

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