**Legislative Report – Monadnock Farm & Community Coalition**

**2016 Legislative Session (Jan-June 2016)**

* **Possible Bills of Interest**

If the Coalition is interested in learning more about a particular bill, it’s best to contact the bill sponsor directly.

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| **Bill Number** | **Title** | **Sponsor** | **Assigned Committee** |
| [HB 1141](http://www.gencourt.state.nh.us/lsr_search/billText.aspx?id=530&type=4) | Defining agritourism | Rep. Haefner | [Environment & Agriculture](http://www.gencourt.state.nh.us/house/committees/committeedetails.aspx?code=H06) |
| [SB 345](http://www.gencourt.state.nh.us/lsr_search/billText.aspx?id=888&type=3) | Relative to the definition of agritourism | Senator Boutin | [Public & Municipal Affairs](http://www.gencourt.state.nh.us/Senate/committees/committee_details.aspx?cc=S27) |
| [HB 1292](http://www.gencourt.state.nh.us/lsr_search/billText.aspx?id=528&type=4) | Relative to the use of abandoned agricultural property | Rep. Haefner | [Environment & Agriculture](http://www.gencourt.state.nh.us/house/committees/committeedetails.aspx?code=H06) |
| [HB 1466](http://www.gencourt.state.nh.us/lsr_search/billText.aspx?id=720&type=4) | Relative to labeling requirements for certain homestead food operations | Rep. Hannon | [Environment & Agriculture](http://www.gencourt.state.nh.us/house/committees/committeedetails.aspx?code=H06) |
| [HB 1354](http://www.gencourt.state.nh.us/lsr_search/billText.aspx?id=722&type=4) | Establishing a committee to study livestock and meat inspection | Rep. Bixby | [Environment & Agriculture](http://www.gencourt.state.nh.us/house/committees/committeedetails.aspx?code=H06) |
| [HB 1355](http://www.gencourt.state.nh.us/lsr_search/billText.aspx?id=723&type=4) | Relative to poultry producers exempted from meat inspection requirements | Rep. Bixby | [Environment & Agriculture](http://www.gencourt.state.nh.us/house/committees/committeedetails.aspx?code=H06) |
| [SB 324](http://www.gencourt.state.nh.us/lsr_search/billText.aspx?id=951&type=3) | Relative to the acquisition of conservation land | Senator Avard | [Executive Departments & Administration](http://www.gencourt.state.nh.us/house/committees/committeedetails.aspx?code=H07) |
| [SB 306](http://www.gencourt.state.nh.us/lsr_search/billText.aspx?id=1033&type=3) | Enabling the sampling of wine or beer at farmer’s markets | Senator Feltes | [Commerce](http://www.gencourt.state.nh.us/Senate/committees/committee_details.aspx?cc=S37) |
| [HB 499](http://www.gencourt.state.nh.us/legislation/2015/HB0499.html) | Permitting NH farmers to sell certain farm raised animals directly to the public (bison bill) | Rep. Chandler | Bill leftover from 2015 |
| [HB 688](http://www.gencourt.state.nh.us/legislation/2015/HB0688.html) | Relative to establishing an agricultural education number plate | Rep. Bixby | Bill leftover from 2015 |

**State Legislative Timeline**

* January 6, 2016: Legislative session begins
* March 24, 2016: Last day to vote on all House and Senate bills before moving to other chamber
* June 2, 2016: Last day to vote on all remaining bills/end of session