

Week 5 Update

The Legislature convened for the eleventh, twelfth, and thirteenth legislative days of the Regular Session this week.

The House passed Hb309, by Rep. Garrett, which would allow PEEHIP to renegotiate its retiree healthcare contracts every five years, as opposed to the current requirement of every three years.

Two new bills dealing with RSA were filed this week. SB216, by Sen. Chambliss, would add fire medics to the temporary return to work exception that allows retirees to earn up to \$52,000 when returning to work as correctional officers or school resource officers while also drawing their retirement benefit. HB388 by Rep. Garrett, would increase the state income tax exemption for taxable retirement income for taxpayers who are 65 and older from \$6,000 to \$12,000. This would apply to retirement income from RSA-1 accounts.