

MINUTES
LEGISLATIVE ETHICS COMMITTEE
MARCH 13, 2026, MEETING
{Approved: April 17, 2026}

The Legislative Ethics Committee (RSA 14-B:2) met on Friday, March 13, 2026, at 2:30 P.M. in Room 103 of the State House.

The following members were present: the Honorable Edward M. Gordon, Chairman, the Honorable Donna Sytek, Vice Chairman, Senator Cindy Rosenwald, Representative Bob Lynn, Representative Catherine Rombeau, and the Honorable David W. Hess. Senator Ruth Ward was unable to attend. Also participating was Richard M. Lambert, Executive Administrator.

The Committee's meeting consisted of the following agenda items:

ITEM #1

Consideration of the draft *Minutes* from the Committee's meeting held on March 2, 2026. Following review, Vice Chairman Sytek moved to adopt the *Minutes* as presented. Representative Lynn seconded the motion, and the Committee voted 6 to 0 in favor of the motion.

ITEM #2

Discussion of 2026 Senate Bill 570, An Act relative to legislative ethics, amending the existing provisions relating to recusal in RSA 14-C.

The Committee discussed a proposed revised draft to amendment #2026-0564s amending SB570, An Act relative to legislative ethics, a bill sponsored by Senate President Sharon M. Carson.

The Committee discussed each section of the draft, including definitions of "direct benefit," "direct detriment," and "official legislative activity." The Committee also discussed the definition of "general revenue bills." Following the Committee's discussion, Chairman Gordon said he would make further revisions to the draft encompassing the suggested changes and would circulate the draft to the Committee members for their review. The draft would then be sent to Senator Carson for her consideration.

ITEM #3

New/Other Business

There was no new or other business.

ITEM #4

Scheduling of the next meeting.

The Committee's next meeting will be at the call of the chair.

The Committee's meeting adjourned at approximately 3:40 P.M.

{Prepared by Richard M. Lambert, Executive Administrator}