

2025 Economic Briefing

HOUSE WAYS AND MEANS COMMITTEE

Legislative Office Building Room 202-204

Monday, January 13, 2025

- 9:00 a.m.** **Michael Kane**, Legislative Budget Assistant, *discussing the role of LBA in assisting the Ways and Means Committees and providing a financial update on the current fiscal year*
- 9:30 a.m.** **Lindsey Stepp**, Commissioner of the Department of Revenue Administration, *discussing taxes collected by DRA and how they operate*
- 11:00 a.m.** **Monica Mezzapelle**, State Treasurer, *discussing the state's financial condition including cash flow, reserves, debt, and ratings and bonding*
- 11:30 a.m.** **Taylor Caswell**, Commissioner of the Department of Business and Economic Affairs, *discussing the state's economy*
- 1:00 p.m.** **Dr. Kenneth Johnson**, Senior Demographer, UNH Carsey School of Public Policy, *discussing state and regional demographic trends*
- 2:00 p.m.** **Rich Lavers**, Deputy Commissioner of the Department of Employment Security and **Brian Gottlob**, Director of the Economic and Labor Market Information Bureau, *discussing the state's labor market*

Tuesday, January 14, 2025

- 9:00 a.m.** **Jason Hwang**, Senior Vice President of Strategic Planning and Research, Federal Home Loan Bank of Boston, *discussing the regional and national economy*
- 10:00 a.m.** **Michael Skelton**, President and CEO, and **Natch Greyes**, Vice President of Public Policy, NH Business and Industry Association, *discussing the current business climate and predictions for the year to come*
- 11:00 a.m.** **Bob Quinn**, NHAR CEO; **Sara Holland**, NHAR Chair of Public Policy Committee; and **Chris Norwood**, NAI Norwood Group; NH Association of Realtors, *discussing the state's commercial real estate market, housing market, and housing challenges*
- 1:00 p.m.** **Phil Sletten**, Research Director, and **Jessica Williams**, Policy Analyst, NH Fiscal Policy Institute, *discussing state economic conditions and state revenues*
- 2:00 p.m.** **Andrew Cline**, President, The Josiah Bartlett Center for Public Policy, *discussing the impact of state policy and national conditions on the New Hampshire economy*