



House Labor, Industrial and Rehabilitative Services Committee

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HB 272 - Relative to temporary workers

Testimony

Good afternoon, Mr. Chairman and members of the committee. My name is Paula Minnehan, Vice President, State Government Relations with the New Hampshire Hospital Association (NHHA), representing all 26 of the state's community hospitals as well as all of our specialty hospitals.

The New Hampshire Hospital Association is opposed to HB 272.

New Hampshire hospitals use locum tenens staffing companies and temporary services agencies routinely. In order to meet the increased demand for skilled health care professionals, hospitals must contract with many employment agencies. The hospital human resources directors, when asked, indicated that they believe this bill would add unnecessary administrative burden and could create potential barriers for temporary services companies to place workers in New Hampshire while not adding any perceived value.

For these reasons NHHA is opposed to HB 272. Thank you for the opportunity to provide our comments and suggestions. I am happy to answer any questions.