

2017-2018 Legislative Requests for Dover Delegation

As requested by the City of Dover Mayor and City Council

February 1, 2017

In addition to support of the NHMA policy positions, the Dover Mayor and Council respectfully request that our Dover Legislative Delegation also initiate and/or add their support to any legislation or State agency efforts that advance the following:

- Approve restoration of State's prior commitment to fund a portion of employer costs for teacher, police and firefighter NH Retirement costs.
- Restore school building aid and provide retroactive financial support for construction of the ongoing High School and Garrison School projects
- Support phasing in the recently adopted all Veteran's Credit so that the City of Dover may absorb the budgetary impact of providing this benefit for all honorably discharged service members
- Provide needed resources for developing responsible science in regulatory decision-making relating to Great Bay
- Provide financial support for existing public transit systems such as COAST and Amtrak commuter rail in the state of NH (including reimbursement for expenses incurred at a municipal level) prior to funding new rail initiatives/studies
- Oppose any attempt to shift the tax burden from private utilities onto other taxpayers including opposing imposition of the DRA unit method for local tax assessing purposes (HB324) and oppose the elimination of municipal assessing expertise from the Board of Tax and Land Appeals.
- Support increasing the allowance for net metering for purposes of allowing municipalities to install and operate renewable energy projects (ie. solar).