

GOVERNOR AND EXECUTIVE COUNCIL MINUTES  
State House, Concord, New Hampshire  
June 30, 2009 1:00 p.m.

The Governor and Executive Council convened at 1:00 p.m. with all members present.

Governor Lynch read the following statement for Right to Know Compliance:

First, I would like to ask those councilors participating by telephone to identify themselves and identify anyone else who is physically present with them at the location from which they are participating.

Councilor Shea, Councilor Hollingworth, Councilor Wieczorek and Councilor Pignatelli were present in person. Councilor Burton was participating by telephone from the Grafton County Commissioner's Office. Councilor Burton identified himself and indicated that the door to his office was open at the commissioner's office, but nobody else was present in the room.

Second, to comply with the right to know law, I will explain why Councilor Burton's attendance in person was not reasonably practical. Just recently, the federal government disbursed federal stabilization funds to the state. It is necessary to accept these federal stimulus funds by June 30, 2009. The Office of Economic Stimulus requested special meetings of the fiscal committee and governor and council to accept the federal stimulus funds. Councilor Burton could not physically appear on an expedited basis because of his prior commitments at locations away from the statehouse; and because the meeting had to be scheduled on very short notice to meet the June 30<sup>th</sup> deadline.

#1 **OFFICE OF ECONOMIC STIMULUS**

On motion of Councilor Wieczorek, seconded by Councilor Hollingworth and further on a roll call vote: Councilor Burton–yes; Councilor Shea–yes; Councilor Hollingworth–yes; Councilor Wieczorek–yes; Councilor Pignatelli–yes; authorized to **retroactively** accept and expend a grant in the amount of \$36,543,276 from the Federal Department of Education, federal fiscal year 2009 American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA) State Fiscal Stabilization Fund, Government Services, program to be utilized to provide guidance, oversight, compliance and reporting on New Hampshire's implementation of ARRA, to pursue ARRA Broadband and High Speed Rail grant funds, as well as to provide funding for public safety and other government services for the Department of Corrections and Judicial Branch. Effective upon Fiscal Committee and Governor and Council approvals from February 18, 2009 through September 30, 2011. **100% Federal Funds. ARRA Funds.**