

New Hampshire Renaissance

‘Live Free or Die’ legislators fight back against leftist violence and overreach

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The New Hampshire House of Representatives recently passed a bill meant to purge leftwing indoctrination from its public schools.

Called the “Charlie Act,” the measure is named after Charlie Kirk, the Turning Point USA founder murdered by a young assassin who may have been encouraged to abandon morality by Marxist propaganda.

Should the initiative become law, educators could be sued by parents if they force students to march in “privilege walks” that assign group-based guilt to disfavored ethnicities. Critical race theory and the LGBTQ agenda would be banished as teachers lose the ability to foist their Marxist worldviews on the classroom.

“‘Culturally relevant’ or similar pedagogies build barriers to the formation and adherence to a unifying American culture by emphasizing group identities over shared national values, thereby establishing permanent, balkanized subcultures that are exploited by demagogues towards revolutionary and violent ends by fostering division,” HB 1792 states.

In its place, lawmakers will require “factual, neutral instruction on historical events” and “critical thinking.” The curriculum must focus on traditional subjects such as math, reading and civics that emphasize “shared national values and constitutional principles.”

If the Senate agrees and Gov. Kelly Ayotte, a Republican, signs the proposal, then New Hampshire will repair some of the damage done by the influx of liberal Massachusetts natives over the years. Expatriates from “Taxachussetts” flock to New Hampshire because it offers the lowest taxes in the Northeast.

That’s great, except these Bostonians-in-exile forgot to leave their love for big government behind, and they are voting for the same policies that rendered

their home state unlivable. Once a conservative haven, the Granite State hasn't voted to send a Republican to the White House in a quarter century.

That's about to change. "Over the last five years, Democrat voters on the rolls have plummeted by 23.41%," Turning Point Action's Ben Larrabee reported on X. Republicans now enjoy a registration advantage of 49,272 — a big margin in a small state.

State Republicans are gaining traction by improving the lives of residents. They blocked \$1.6 billion in tax increases pushed by Democrats. They enacted a law terminating the pointless but mandatory car inspection program, a move that was quickly deemed illegal by a federal magistrate appointed by President Obama. State leaders aren't backing down.

In the House, members introduced an amendment lowering the penalty for driving with an expired inspection sticker to \$1 and instructing police not to stop drivers if they don't have a valid one. Officials canceled the contract with the private company that manages inspections, and the state Executive Council upheld the cancellation on a 3-2 vote.

"The Council has existed since 1679. For 350 years, no state contract moves forward without our consent. That doesn't change because a federal judge says so," Executive Councilor John Stephen wrote on X.

That's one way to deal with an activist judge. On Thursday, a state House committee is scheduled to vote on legislation that would prevent the state from accepting federal funds to run refugee resettlement programs.

This would turn aside \$4.5 million in Uncle Sam's cash that was supposed to be distributed to spread noncitizens in ways that alter demographics for the benefit of Democrats. The New Hampshire Republican Party realizes that opposing liberal priorities isn't a matter of partisanship but rather a matter of survival.

Republicans in Congress could learn a few things from the New Hampshire Republican Party.