

State of New Hampshire

Public Employee Labor Relations Board

NH Dept. of Natural and Cultural Resources (formerly Department of Resources and Economic Development)

and

NH Dept. of Business and Economic Affairs

and

NH Dept. of Cultural Resources

and

State Employees' Association of NH, SEIU Local 1984

Cases G-0244-2 and G-0264-1 Decision No. 2017-209

Order

On November 20, 2017, the State filed an agreed upon petition for modification pursuant to N.H. Admin. Rule Pub 302.05. In its petition, the State seeks to modify the existing Department of Resources and Economic Development (DRED) bargaining unit, see PELRB Certification, Decision No. 2016-221 (September 30, 2016), into "two bargaining units with new names and composition of employees" and to eliminate the existing Department of Cultural Resources bargaining unit. See PELRB Certification, Decision No. 2004-039 (May 6, 2004). The State seeks this modification for the following reasons: House Bill 517 (2017) amended RSA 12-A, created a new section RSA 12-O, and repealed RSA 12-K, as a result of which DRED was renamed to the Department of Natural and Cultural Resources (DNCR); the Department of Cultural Resources was eliminated and all function and divisions of this department were transferred to DNCR; and a new Department of Business and Economic Affairs (DBEA) was

created and Travel and Tourism and Economic Development Divisions, which were formerly under DRED, were transferred to the new department. See State Modification Petition at 7. The Union assents to the petition. No exceptions, objections, or petitions to intervene have been filed in this case.

The petition for modification is hereby granted. Accordingly, unit modification orders shall issue forthwith and shall contain the following descriptions of the bargaining units:

Department of Natural and Cultural Resources

Unit:

All classified employees with the exception of those classified employees excluded from the definition of public employee under the provisions of RSA 273-A:1, IX.

Excluded:

See appended exclusion list (updated annually).

Department of Business and Economic Affairs

Unit:

All classified employees with the exception of those classified employees excluded from the definition of public employee under the provisions of RSA 273-A:1, IX.

Excluded:

See appended exclusion list (updated annually).

So ordered.

Date: 12/14/20/7

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