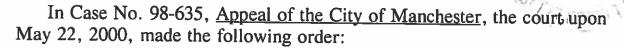
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THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

SUPREME COURT



Having considered the briefs and oral arguments of the parties, the court concludes that a formal written opinion is unnecessary for disposition of this appeal.

The court finds that the New Hampshire Public Employee Labor Relations Board (board) exceeded the scope of its authority when it found that the City of Manchester (city) had violated RSA 91-See Appeal of Town of Exeter, 126 N.H. 685, 687 (1985).

However, the court affirms the board's finding that the city had failed to adhere to the mandates of RSA 273-A inasmuch as said finding is supported by the record below. See Appeal of Timberlane Reg. School Bd., 142 N.H. 830, 834 (1998).

Affirmed.

Brock, C.J., Horton and Broderick, JJ., did not sit; Gray, J., retired superior court justice, and McHugh and Groff, JJ., superior court justices, sat by special assignment pursuant to RSA 490:3.

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