

# **Gov. Lynch Announces Business Outreach Series**

CONCORD – Gov. John Lynch today announced a series of regional business outreach sessions designed to directly connect New Hampshire businesses with state leaders and state services. The sessions will give businesses an opportunity to hear from and question state agency heads about state services.

During Gov. Lynch’s Jobs Cabinet Roundtable Series held over the last several months, many businesses leaders asked about what services may be available to them to help grow their companies and make them more competitive. Others had questions about regulations such as permitting, and about how to better connect and do business with other New Hampshire companies.

“We continue to work to make state government more accessible to businesses and citizens. Through these outreach sessions, business leaders will be able to hear directly from and question commissioners from a number of agencies,” Gov. Lynch said. “Through these sessions, business leaders will get a better understanding of the services available to them, be able to ask questions about regulations and make suggestions about how to improve state government.”

The first regional business outreach session will be held on Friday, March 19, in Lebanon at the Courtyard Marriott beginning at 7:30 a.m. The two-hour session will feature presentations by state agency leaders, and will provide business leaders the opportunity to meet directly with state agency heads. It will also give business leaders the chance to network with other New Hampshire businesses.

The commissioner of the departments of Employment Security, Resources and Economic Development, Labor, Insurance, Environmental Services, Administrative Services and Revenue Administration, and officials from the Community College System of New Hampshire will present overviews of their departments and the types of business services they provide.

“New Hampshire is a business friendly state, and this outreach effort will allow Commissioners to reinforce the close relationships we want with business leaders,” Department of Resources and Economic Development Commissioner George Bald said. Bald also serves as the chairman of the Governor’s Jobs Cabinet.

A second session is being planned for April 16 in Laconia. Additional regional sessions will be announced soon.

“I want to make sure we are doing all we can to foster our business friendly environment here in New Hampshire. Over the last several years we have worked to provide businesses with the tools they need to become more competitive,” Gov. Lynch said. “We want to make sure business leaders are informed about all of the services and programs available to them which will help them grow, create jobs and strengthen New Hampshire’s economic future.”

To pre-register, please RSVP to Pat Salvucci at [psalvucci@labor.state.nh.us](mailto:psalvucci@labor.state.nh.us) by March 17<sup>th</sup>. For additional details, please call Pat at 271-3171.