



Profile: Free State Project Member Ed Comeau

Free State Project Members

Free State Project members sign a pledge to move to New Hampshire and work to change the way of life in our state. They do not move here for a job, or for family, or even because they like what New Hampshire has to offer. Instead, they move here because a political group they are affiliated with voted on a state to move to in order to enact a political agenda, and New Hampshire was the unlucky recipient of that vote.

State House Candidate Ed Comeau (Carroll District 5: Brookfield, Effingham, Ossipee & Wakefield)

State House candidate Ed Comeau moved to New Hampshire in 2010 as part of the Free State Project. Comeau has demonstrated considerable ties to the Free State Project, including:

- **Comeau moved to New Hampshire in 2010 and started running for local office shortly after.** While participation in local civic activities is honorable, Free Staters have a notably short move-to-run time for political office. [Ed Comeau Campaign Website. [About Ed](#). Accessed October 2014]
- **In a video, Comeau encouraged more people to move to New Hampshire as part of the Free State Project.** [Free Keene. [Video: Ron Paul Supporter Endorses Moving to NH](#). 12.26.11]
- **Comeau does not believe in regulation. He told a reporter at Porcfest – the annual festival for the Free State Project – that FDA protocols regarding food handling are not needed because, "If [a vendor] poisons me, I won't buy his food."** Comeau believes that the free market and competition will solve these problems – and would simply leave the next person in line to be poisoned as well. [WBUR. [Breakfast At Libertarian Summer Camp](#). 7.1.11]
- **Comeau purposely leaves his Free State Project affiliation off campaign materials, and doesn't offer that information in media interviews.** [Ed Comeau Campaign Website. [About Ed](#). Accessed October 2014; Carrol County Independent. [Candidate Questionnaire: Ed Comeau](#). August 2014]

Why is Ed Comeau's FSP Affiliation Important?

The ultra-extreme Free State Project voted on a state to move 20,000 people to, with the stated purpose to take over state government and dismantle it. The Free State Project seeks to create a libertarian "utopia" void of public infrastructure and common laws, and to use the power of numbers to dramatically change New Hampshire – even threatening secession from the rest of the country.¹ Members like Ed Comeau are actively working to help the Free State Project fulfill those goals.

For more information about the Free State Project Watch of Granite State Progress, contact (603) 225-2471 or freestateprojectwatch@granitestateprogress.org.

¹ "Once we've taken over the state government, we can slash state and local budgets, which make up a sizeable proportion of the tax and regulatory burden we face every day. Furthermore, we can eliminate substantial federal interference by refusing to take highway funds and the strings attached to them. Once we've accomplished these things, we can bargain with the national government over reducing the role of the national government in our state. We can use the threat of secession as leverage to do this." [[Announcement: The Free State Project](#) by Founder Jason Sorens]