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Senate Republicans Deliver Results for New Hampshire

CONCORD, NH – Senate President Sharon Carson (R-Londonderry) and Senate Majority Leader Regina Birdsell (R-Hampstead) released the following statements today on the Senate passing HB 1 and HB 2, the state budget:

This year, Senate Republicans worked hard on behalf of our constituents and delivered results for all Granite Staters. We passed legislation that addressed our housing crisis, banned sanctuary cities in our state, and had a parental bill of rights signed into law. Senate Republicans fought for all Granite Staters by prioritizing public safety and keeping New Hampshire as the safest state in the nation. Under Republican leadership, penalties for drug crimes and human trafficking were increased, protected women’s spaces, and expanded school choice in New Hampshire.

“Among all our impressive achievements this year, the most notable was passing a state budget compromise that everyone could support. As I have said before, this budget is not perfect, but I am grateful we could work together to get this budget across the finish line. This budget fully funds the DD waitlist, maintains Medicaid rates, protects community mental health, and sends nearly \$2.2 billion to local school districts. This compromise balances the needs of New Hampshire’s 1.4 million residents, protects taxpayers and the New Hampshire Advantage, and delivers real reform across state government,” said Senate President Sharon Carson.

“We have worked hard over the past few months to deliver a budget that serves the entire state of New Hampshire. Regardless of the obstacles, the Senate blocked any new tax proposals, rejected over \$160 million in additional spending, and defended the 603 way of life. This commonsense budget will keep the Granite State on the path to prosperity, and I thank my colleagues for getting this done. The people of New Hampshire told us what was most important to them in this budget. We listened and we delivered,” added Senate Majority Leader Regina Birdsell. Written by Peter O’Neill

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