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Senate Reforms State Medicaid Program

CONCORD, NH – Senator Howard Pearl (R-Loudon) released the following statement today on the Senate passing SB 134-FN, relative to the work requirements under the state Medicaid program:

“Medicaid and other welfare programs should serve as a lifeline for our non-aged, non-disabled adults, not the end of the line. Work requirements for Medicaid help low-income families by providing a path out of poverty and improving their living standards. Right now, New Hampshire work requirements are paired with programs like food stamps and the Temporary Aid for Needy Families (TANF). Medicaid should be treated the same way. Work helps families achieve independence and promote their health and wellness. Passing this bill promises further success in New Hampshire and will help Granite State families access the programs they need statewide.”

Background: SB 134-FN directs the Department of Health and Human Services to resubmit the 1115 demonstration waiver to CMS regarding community engagement and work requirements under the state Medicaid program. The bill also directs the department to provide annual reports to the legislature regarding the status of implementation.

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