



# NEW HAMPSHIRE SENATE

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### **Senate Passes New Age Cap for County Sheriffs**

**CONCORD, NH** – Senator Daryl Abbas (R-Salem) released the following statement today on the Senate passing CACR 8, no person shall hold the office of county sheriff after he or she has attained the age of seventy-five years old:

“This bill allows county sheriffs to serve as sheriff until the age of 75. The role of sheriff is not a lifetime appointment, and sheriffs will be held accountable by voters in each election. If someone cannot do the job, voters will be able to appropriately decide. Recruitment and retention are problems statewide, especially when it comes to law enforcement agencies. It also allows New Hampshire to continue benefiting from the leadership and experience of our county sheriffs in our communities. This bill will help reduce the workforce shortage for our law enforcement officers and help keep New Hampshire safe.”

**Background:** CACR 8 is a constitutional amendment that raises the retirement age for county sheriffs to 75 years of age. Senator Abbas is the prime sponsor of this constitutional amendment.

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