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Senator Abbas Praises Senator Ward's Commitment to Students

Concord, NH — Senate President Pro Tempore Daryl Abbas (R-Salem) praises Senator Ruth Ward's (R-Stoddard) steadfast commitment to Claremont students and families:

"I'm proud of Senator Ward's work on yesterday's amendment, which guarantees Claremont students aren't punished for financial mismanagement. The goal was clear: ensure the district can function through the end of the year, and this amendment delivers thanks to her commitment to her constituents.

It's unfortunate that helping Claremont and other districts became a partisan vote. We should be putting children above politics. Republicans will keep prioritizing students and families—no matter what."

Background: HB 292 as amended by the Senate Education Committee creates the School District Adequacy Revolving Loan Fund, which will allow school districts to borrow against their state Education Adequacy payments with approval from the State Treasurer, Commissioner of Education, and Joint Legislative Fiscal Committee. The amendment adopted yesterday incorporates changes requested by Rep. Jim Kofalt to address concerns raised by House members.

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