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Senator Abbas Applauds Community Safety Initiatives

Concord, NH - Senator Daryl Abbas (R-Salem) released the following statement on the passage of 249 and 252:

“As a father of two young children, I understand the critical importance of keeping our communities safe,” stated Senator Abbas.

“Families shouldn’t be left at risk to dangerous individuals, and habitual offenders shouldn’t be provided with the opportunity to recommit crimes. Nor should violent offenders be granted bail before standing in front of a judge.

“As the prime sponsor of Senate Bill 249, and having spearheaded these efforts, I’m proud to have taken on this public safety initiative to secure a safer community for our children, and generations to follow. Without public safety, the New Hampshire Advantage ceases to exist.”

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SB 249 would require that suspects arrested for a second offense while out on bail would be presumed to be a risk to violate bail conditions.

SB252 lists certain offenses, which if committed, create a presumption that the defendant is a danger to the public and shall be detained for up to 36 hours.

Neither bill would prevent defendants from receiving reasonable bail or require nonviolent defendants to be held because they cannot afford bail.