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Senator Daryl Abbas on Protecting the First in the Nation Primary

CONCORD, NH – Senator Daryl Abbas (R-Salem), released the following statement today on the introduction of CACR 22, protecting New Hampshire’s First in the Nation Primary in the state constitution:

“New Hampshire pushes presidential candidates to meet voters face-to-face to earn their vote more than any other state. The retail politics of the Granite State is why we have held the first presidential primary for over 100 years. This tradition must be protected and CACR 22 does exactly that. The First in the Nation Primary preserves the ability of Granite State voters to engage with candidates, which tests those who seek the Presidency and benefits the nation.

This year, the challenge to the First In The Nation primary comes from Joe Biden and the D.C. Democrats who tried to force the legislature to abandon our status. We are sending a message that New Hampshire will never sacrifice the First In The Nation primary at the request of Washington politicians.”

Background: CACR 22 would enshrine legal protection for New Hampshire’s presidential primary in the state constitution. Senator Abbas is the prime sponsor.

The Senate Election Law & Municipal Affairs Committee held a public hearing today on CACR 22 and went into an executive session. The Committee unanimously recommended the Ought to Pass motion on a 5-0 vote and CACR 22 will be going to the full Senate on January 18th.

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