

## New Hampshire Senate News Release FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE: May 12th, 2023

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## **Senate Defeats House Bill 624**

**Concord, NH -** Senator Sharon Carson and Senator Daryl Abbas Applaud the Defeat of House Bill 624-FN, Strengthening Community Safety and Addressing Immigration Concerns:

"House Bill 624-FN undermines the critical role that immigration checkpoints play in maintaining the safety and security of our communities," stated Senator Carson.

"This bill would have crippled our state's ability to combat drug and human trafficking by ignoring the challenges being posed by illegal immigration and undermining the effectiveness of our border security initiatives."

## Senator Daryl Abbas added the following:

"HB 624 sets a dangerous precedent because it requires state and local law enforcement officials to issue a public notice of a federal law enforcement operation and thereby allowing individuals to evade the enforcement of federal immigration laws.

"By ensuring effective border control and immigration processes, we can mitigate potential risks posed by individuals with criminal backgrounds or involvement in illicit activities, thereby safeguarding the well-being and future of our children. Prioritizing the safety and security of our communities helps create an environment where children can thrive and grow without unnecessary risks, which is why HB 624-FN was a bad bill for New Hampshire."