

## New Hampshire Senate NEWS RELEASE

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## **Republicans Shield NH Businesses from Junk Fees**

**Concord, NH** – Senator Daniel Innis (R-Bradford) released the following statement on the defeat of Senate Bill 262:

"This bill sends the message that folks are welcome to visit our Granite State, as long as they can afford the financial fees attached," stated Senator Innis.

"When a tax is initiated, no matter how small, history shows it's bound to increase over time. Having already increased state aid to cities and towns, doubling local revenues to more than \$121 million per year, it's unnecessary to impose another fee at the bottom of everyone's hotel bill."

"As a former innkeeper and hotel owner, I recognize the importance of tourism in our state and the benefits it holds for our state. There is never a time at which adding another tax is the best option for our Granite State.

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SB 262 would have authorized New Hampshire towns to charge a new tax on hotel guests of \$2 per room per night.