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Senate passes bill to increase access to Narcan

Concord, NH – The Senate today passed a bill allowing increasing access to opioid antagonist Narcan.

"I am proud of the senate and the legislature for passing this bill which would allow individuals, including emergency responders and parents to obtain Narcan on behalf of an individual who may be in danger of an opioid-related overdose. This bill also authorizes these individuals to administer the opioid antagonist in an emergency," said Senator Andy Sanborn (R-Bedford).

"Although this bill does not solve the increasingly serious opioid problem facing the State of New Hampshire, it does allow Narcan to be more easily accessible during emergency situations which is a critical and effective step in preventing overdose related deaths."

"We need to continue taking steps to address and eradicate this issue which is affecting every community in our state. I look forward to continuing our work together in the legislature to find ways to put an end to our opioid addiction problem in New Hampshire."

"I am thankful for the Senate's support on HB 271 and while much more still needs to be done to end opioid overdoses and misuse altogether, this bill will provide an important resource for individuals currently struggling with addiction," said Senator Kevin Avar (R-Nashua).

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