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Forrester announces formation of work groups to review impact of Continuing Resolution

Concord, NH—Senate Finance Chair Jeanie Forrester (R-Meredith) today announced the formation of three, informal work groups to consider some important issues that may be impacted due to the Governor’s veto of the budget. Initially, three groups have been formed to focus on the following issues: the Sununu Youth Services Center, Cities and Towns, and the Department of Health and Human Services.

“Allowing the legislature’s balanced, conservative, and compassionate budget to become law would have been the fiscally responsible course of action. However, because of the Governor’s misguided decision to veto the budget, many important issues will be delayed,” said Forrester.

“In order to ensure that the legislature is prepared to address any challenges our constituents may face while the state operates under the Continuing Resolution, it is prudent to review certain parts of the budget,” added Forrester.

The initial work groups being set up include: the Sununu Youth Services Center to begin working on the program’s “transformation” plan; a Cities and Towns group to hear from agencies like the Department of Revenue Administration, Department of Education, Department of Transportation, Department of Environmental Services, and the NH Municipal Association about possible impacts to the communities; and the Department of Health and Human Services to learn more about caseload differences between the provider network and the department as well as the status of the programs and services required under the mental health settlement.

The Cities and Towns Work Group will meet Wednesday, August 5 at 9:00 a.m. in room 103 in the State House.

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