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Cataldo urges removal of concealed carry permit requirement

Concord, NH – The Senate passed SB 336, a bill that updates the definition of eligibility for a concealed carry permit in New Hampshire.

Senator Sam Cataldo (R-Farmington), prime sponsor of the bill, issued a statement following the vote.

"I am pleased by the Senate's support for legislation that allows gun owners to carry their weapons without fear of arrest by broadening the availability of concealed carry permits. Existing New Hampshire law is based on an outdated phrase that was originally intended to prevent gun ownership by people of a certain national origin. This bill strengthens protections for all citizens' personal rights to carry a firearm, and limits the ability for an issuer to unjustly discriminate against an applicant by arbitrarily denying the ability to exercise their rights under the Second Amendment. The new law would continue to prohibit concealed carry by individuals otherwise prevented from possessing a firearm by state or federal statute," said Senator Sam Cataldo (R-Farmington).

"I thank those in committee who supported this reform to our concealed carry permitting statute to make it more inclusive and I hope we can eventually the need for a concealed carry permit in New Hampshire altogether."

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