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Forrester seeks long-term fix for retiree health care shortfall

Concord, NH – Today, the Senate passed SB 495, which as amended, would address the projected retiree health care funding shortfall in the FY 16-17 budget.

Finance Committee Chair Senator Jeanie Forrester (R-Meredith) issued a statement following the vote.

“The legislation passed today gives the Department of Administrative Services the authority to close the \$700,000 deficit it is facing in the retiree health care fund by using unspent funds from energy savings realized by other departments and agencies. While this is not a long-term fix, it will ensure that our retirees continue to receive health care benefits without interruption.

“This problem began with the Governor underfunding retiree health in her budget. We look forward to hearing her ideas and solutions on how to address retiree health care funding for the next biennium.”

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