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Senate passes capital budget including expanded workforce housing, CTE programs

Concord, NH – Today, the Senate passed HB 25, the statewide Capital Budget for the Fiscal Year 2018-19.

"I applaud the Senate's support of the Fiscal Year 2018-19 Capital budget which makes a number of critical infrastructure improvements, including building renovations, IT upgrades and expanding workforce housing, directly impacting New Hampshire citizens and their interactions with our state," said Capital Budget Committee Chair Senator Lou D'Allesandro (D-Manchester).

"The capital budget also makes an important appropriation to expand the Rochester Career and Technical Education Center which will benefit our citizens choosing careers in high tech manufacturing and other industries requiring highly skilled employees. Expanding our CTE opportunities also serves to provide the skilled workforce to fill the nearly 20,000 open jobs in our state," said Senator D'Allesandro. "In addition, we've included funding that will support the creation of workforce housing so that New Hampshire can expand the affordable housing options for many citizens living and working here."

"I too am pleased by the Senate's support of the State's capital budget because it includes important funding to expand the Career and Technical Education Center [CTE] in the city of Rochester," said Senator James Gray (R-Rochester). "By providing R.W. Creteau Regional Technology Center in Rochester the funding they requested for expansion and renovations, this center will be able to provide three new programs in addition to the more than 15 in-demand programs they currently offer."

"New Hampshire high tech manufacturing companies and businesses across our state are in need of a larger skilled workforce to fill good jobs they have available. It is essential that we support popular CTE centers so that our citizens have the opportunity to gain the skills and education they need to work in these good jobs and support their families," said Gray.

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