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Senator Hennessey Applauds Signing of SB 279, to Increase Access to Infertility Treatment and Fertility Care

CONCORD—Today, Senator Hennessey’s bill to increase access to fertility care, SB 279, was signed into law. SB 279 requires insurance carriers in the small and large group insurance markets to cover diagnosis of infertility, access to fertility treatments—including IVF—and preservation of fertility for those who are facing the loss of future fertility due to medical treatments like chemotherapy for treating cancer.

After the signing, prime sponsor Senator Martha Hennessey (D-Hanover) released the following statement:

“As a state with an aging population that wants to attract and retain young people in our state, it is critical for New Hampshire to work to help the 1 in 6 couples affected by infertility in our state. By requiring insurance coverage for infertility diagnosis and fertility treatments, SB 279 will help these Granite Staters who want to work and build their families in our state but who are currently making decisions based on financial concerns instead of what is in their best medical interest. I am grateful for the bipartisan support of this important bill and pleased to see it signed into law!”

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