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Senator Kahn Applauds Signing of SB 276, “Career Readiness Drive to 65” Initiative

CONCORD—Today, Senator Kahn’s bill, SB 276, was signed into law. This legislation builds on the 65 by 25 goal to have 65% of New Hampshire’s workforce possessing a post-secondary credential by 2025, a mission embraced by the Community College System of New Hampshire, NH Coalition for Business and Education, and the NH Department of Business and Economic Affairs. “Career Readiness Drive to 65” is a systematic and holistic approach through high school years, whereby a career aspiration assessment occurs in 9th grade that facilitates course mapping towards a student’s career ready credential awarded upon high school graduation. The program would extend concurrent enrollment opportunities to 10th through 12th grade students.

Senator Kahn (D-Keene), prime sponsor of SB 276, released the following statement after the signing:

“In this changing economy we need everyone to possess marketable skills. I am grateful that Governor Sununu signed SB 276, to ensure New Hampshire students connect their high school, career technical, and post-secondary education to high demand job opportunities and through concurrent enrollment, reduce their time to a college degree. Drive to 65 also gives employers access to qualified employees, reduces training time and costs, and reduces new employee attrition rates.”

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