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Senator Chandley Applauds Bipartisan House Passage of Senate Independent Redistricting Commission Bill

CONCORD - Today, the New Hampshire House of Representatives voted 224-141 in support of SB 8, which would establish an independent redistricting commission. The independent commission, composed of 15 citizens selected from a pool of candidates who fulfill the qualifications set out in the bill, would be charged with conducting a transparent process that puts the interests of voters ahead of political considerations. As amended, SB 8 mirrors the bipartisan bill language of HB 706, which was vetoed by Governor Sununu in 2019.

After the House vote, prime sponsor Senator Shannon Chandley (D-Amherst) issued the following statement:

“It is critical that our elections are dictated by the will of the voters, not by partisan politics. Despite a setback last year from Governor Sununu’s veto of HB 706, I’m encouraged by today’s **bipartisan** vote to move forward with an independent redistricting commission that will put electoral power back in the hands of the people.”

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