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NH Senators Applaud Creation of Frontline Worker Fund

CONCORD, NH - Today, the state of New Hampshire announced the creation of a frontline worker fund for fire fighters, law enforcement, first responders, and corrections workers.

After the announcement, Senate Majority Leader Dan Feltes, Senate Commerce Chair Kevin Cavanaugh, and Senate Commerce Vice Chair Jon Morgan released the following statements:

“Senate Democrats have been pushing for a comprehensive frontline worker fund for months. It’s good to see the governor adopt our idea and move one step closer to putting our proposal into practice. This is an important step to recognize the sacrifice these workers make every day to protect public health and safety. Hopefully we can work to ensure other essential workers, including grocery store workers and all frontline health care workers, can receive a similar stipend in the near future,” said Senate Majority Leader Dan Feltes (D-Concord).

Senate Commerce Chair Kevin Cavanaugh (D-Manchester) added, “While many of us stay at home in order to protect public health, our fire fighters, law enforcement, first responders, and corrections officers continue to show up day after day, putting their own health at risk, to keep our state running. It’s far past time to recognize their service to our state by establishing a frontline worker fund.”

“In addition to being a show of our gratitude for and support of frontline workers’ service and sacrifice, this fund will help retain our most needed workers, without whom, New Hampshire would screech to a halt during this crisis,” stated Senate Commerce Vice Chair Jon Morgan (D-Brentwood).

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Background:

- On April 22, Senate Democrats published an [op-ed](#) calling for the use of stimulus funds to establish a comprehensive frontline worker fund.
- On April 28, Senate Democrats released their [Granite Promise Proposal](#) calling for an allocation of \$50 million for a frontline worker fund.